Montana Department of Livestock Import Regulations

Show/Exhibition Cattle

Health Certificate - issued within 30 days of entry

Official identification, testing and statements listed on health certificate

Import Permit - To obtain a permit number:

Permit Line: 406-444-2976

Email: livpermits@mt.gov (Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm)

Fax: 406-444-1929 (Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm)

Effective March 1st: CVIs issued using Global Vet Link, and Agview do not require import permit numbers.

Official Identification

USDA Silver Clip, Bangs Tag, or 840 RFID Tag

All animals require official ID

Identification must be listed on health certificate

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Testing Requirements

Brucellosis

Big Horn County, Wyoming

- All sexually intact animals 12 months of age and older must be tested negative for brucellosis within 30 days prior to entry.
- Exception: Testing completed on or after July 16th is acceptable for movement through February 15 of the following year.

Tuberculosis (TB)

Dairy Breeds Only

- One negative TB test within 60 days prior to entry.

Trichomoniasis

Bulls for exhibition or competition:

- No testing required

Bulls for sale purposes:

- Virgin bulls less than 12 months of age
  - No testing required
- Virgin bulls 12-24 months of age
  - No testing required

Non-virgin bulls and bulls greater than 24 months of age

- One single negative PCR within 60 days
  - Void upon commingling with female cattle

*Pooled PCRs are acceptable

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Documentation Requirements

M-Statement

- Required Statement: *"The animals in this shipment are NOT 'M-Branded' (Mexico origin) nor have they been in contact with or exposed to any 'M-Branded' cattle."*

OR

- Required Statement: *"The animals in this shipment ARE 'M-Branded' (Mexico origin) or they have been in contact with or exposed to 'M-Branded' cattle.*

Additional Statements

Bulls for exhibition or competition:

- Required statement: *"While in Montana, this (these) bull(s) cannot be sold, loaned, or leased, and cannot be used for breeding or semen collection, and must be kept segregated from all sexually-intact female cattle."*

Bulls for sale purposes:

- Virgin bulls less than 12 months of age
  - Required Statement: *"The bull(s) identified on this certificate are virgin bulls"*
- Virgin bulls 12-24 months of age
  - Required Statement: *"The bull(s) identified on this certificate are virgin bulls," signed by owner.*