



# Montana Department of Livestock Import Regulations

## Dairy Cattle

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### **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](mailto:livpermits@mt.gov) (Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm)

Effective March 1<sup>st</sup>: 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



# Dairy Cattle Import Testing Requirements

## Tuberculosis (TB)

All sexually intact animals over 2 months of age require one negative TB test within 60 days prior to entry **OR**

- Animals that originate from a USDA-APHIS Accredited TB-Free Herd
  - Herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included

## 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



# Diary Cattle Import 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.*

**Calves without dams**, 1 month of age or less, require a 30-day quarantine with the following statement on the CVI: *“Calf (calves) must be held on premises of destination and may not be resold for 30 days.”*