

# Montana Department of Livestock Import Regulation Mexico Origin Cattle



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Official identification, testing and statements listed on health certificate



Import Permit To obtain a permit number:

Permit Line: 406-442976

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Email: [livpermits@mt.gov](mailto:livpermits@mt.gov) (Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm)  
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Official Identification

RFID Tag

All animals require official

identification must be on health certificate

M brand this 2-3 inch metal and applied high on the right hip

All animals including steers and spayed heifers require an M hot iron brand



# Mexico Origin Cattle Import

Testing  
Requirements  
&  
Required Statements

## Tuberculosis (TB) Test

- All M-branded, Mx-branded, and other cattle or bison two months of age and older originating directly from Mexico (imported into the U.S. within 60 days) require two negative TB tests 60-120 days apart.
  - The first negative test can be the U.S. entry test.
  - The second negative TB test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS VS accredited veterinarian and **must be within 60 days prior to importation into Montana.**

## “M” Branded Statement

- Required statement: “*The animals in this shipment ARE “M-Branded” (Mexico Origin)*”

\*\*\* Holstein and Holstein cross “M” branded steers or spayed heifers are **prohibited** from entry into Montana regardless of test history \*\*\*