

**IDAPA 02 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
02.04.20 - RULES GOVERNING BRUCELLOSIS**

**DOCKET NO. 02-0420-1101**

**THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE TEMPORARY RULE AND THE PENDING  
RULE TEXT FOR DOCKET NO. 02-0420-1101**

**010. DEFINITIONS.** The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this chapter. (5-3-03)

**01. Accredited Veterinarian.** A veterinarian approved by the Administrator and USDA/APHIS/VS in accordance with provisions of Title 9, Part 161, Code of Federal Regulations to perform functions of State-Federal animal disease control programs. (5-3-03)

**02. Administrator.** The administrator of the Division of Animal Industries, Idaho State Department of Agriculture or his designee. (5-3-03)

**03. Approved Brucella Vaccine.** A vaccine product that is approved by and produced under license of the USDA for administration to cattle, domestic bison, swine or domestic cervidae for the purpose of enhancing the resistance to *brucellosis*. (5-3-03)

**04. Approved Feedlot.** A feedlot approved by the Administrator to feed female cattle and domestic bison, which have not been officially vaccinated against *brucellosis*. (5-3-03)

**05. Brucellosis.** An infectious disease of animals and humans caused by bacteria of the genus *Brucella*. (5-3-03)

**06. Brucellosis Emergency.** The declaration of an animal health emergency by the director as the result of the diagnosis of *brucellosis* in cattle, domestic bison, swine or domestic cervidae in the state of Idaho or in areas outside the state that could result in transmission of *brucellosis* to Idaho cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae. (5-3-03)

**07. Brucellosis Herd Management Plan.** A written document outlining management practices a livestock producer will take to minimize the exposure of cattle or domestic bison to brucellosis. The herd management plan shall be valid when signed by the owner and the State Veterinarian or his designee. (5-1-11)T

**078. Cattle.** All bovidae. (5-3-03)

**089. Commuter Herd.** A herd of cattle or domestic bison that moves from Idaho to another state pursuant to the provisions of IDAPA 02.04.21, “Rules Governing the Importation of Animals,” Section 220.(3-30-07)

**0910. Department.** The Idaho State Department of Agriculture. (5-3-03)

**11. Designated Surveillance Area.** An area of Idaho, as ordered by the director or his designee, where brucellosis positive wildlife are known or believed to exist and where comingling of wildlife and livestock may lead to transmission of *brucellosis* from wildlife to livestock. (5-1-11)T

**102. Director.** The director of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture or his designee. (5-3-03)

**113. Division of Animal Industries.** Idaho State Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Industries. (5-3-03)

**124. Domestic Bison.** All animals in the genus *Bison* that are owned by a person. (5-3-03)

**135. Domestic Cervidae.** Elk, fallow deer and reindeer that are owned by a person. (5-3-03)

**146. Exposed.** Animals that have had contact with other animals, herds, or materials that have been determined to be infected with or affected by *Brucella*. (5-3-03)

**157. Federal Animal Health Official.** An employee of USDA, APHIS, VS who is authorized to perform animal health activities. (5-3-03)

**168. Infected Animals or Herds.** Animals that are classified as reactors by the designated *brucellosis* epidemiologist or herds that contain one or more reactor animals. (5-3-03)

**179. Negative.** Cattle, domestic bison, swine or domestic cervidae are classified negative: (5-3-03)

**a.** When their blood serum has been subjected to official serological tests and the test results fail to disclose evidence of *Brucella* infection; and (5-3-03)

**b.** If blood, milk or tissues are subjected to bacteriological methods for cultivating field-strain *Brucella* and none are recovered. An animal is classified as negative when all tests that are performed fail to disclose evidence of *brucellosis*. (5-3-03)

**1820. Official Identification.** The unique individual identification of cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae in accordance with these rules. (5-3-03)

**1921. Official Vaccinate.** A bovine or domestic bison female that was inoculated, in accordance with these rules and the *brucellosis* Eradication UM&R, with an approved Brucella vaccine. (5-3-03)

**202. Operator.** The person who has authority to manage or direct a cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae premises, or conveyance and the animals thereon. (3-30-07)

**213. Owner.** The person who owns or has financial control of cattle, domestic bison, swine, domestic cervidae, or a cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae premises. (3-30-07)

**224. Parturient.** Visibly prepared to give birth or within two (2) weeks before giving birth. (3-30-07)

**235. Person.** Any individual, association, partnership, firm, joint stock company, joint venture, trust, estate, political subdivision, public or private corporation, or any legal entity, which is recognized by law as the subject of rights and duties. (5-3-03)

**246. Postparturient.** Having already given birth. (3-30-07)

**257. Premises.** The ground, area, buildings, corrals, and equipment utilized to keep, hold, or maintain animals. (3-30-07)

**268. Quarantine.** A written order, executed by the Administrator, to confine or hold animals on a premise or any other location, and to prevent movement of animals from a premise or any other location when the administrator has determined that the animals have been found to be or are suspected to be exposed to or infected with *Brucella*, or the animals are not in compliance with the provisions of this chapter. (3-30-07)

**279. Reactor.** Cattle, domestic bison, swine or domestic cervidae are classified as reactors when their blood serum has been subjected to official serological tests and the test results indicate that the animal has been exposed to and infected with Brucella. Cattle, domestic bison, swine or domestic cervidae are also classified as reactors in the absence of significant serologic test results when other diagnostic methods, such as bacteriologic methods, result in the recovery of field-strain Brucella organisms, or a significant rise in the serologic titer occurs, or when other epidemiologic evidence of *Brucella* infection is demonstrated. (5-3-03)

**2830. Re-Identification of Official Vaccinates.** The identification of female cattle or other animals which have been officially vaccinated and identified, as provided in this chapter, and which have lost the official identification device or the tattoo has faded to the extent that it cannot be discerned. (5-3-03)

**2931. Restrain.** The confinement of cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae in a chute, or other device, for the purpose of efficiently, effectively, and safely inspecting, treating, vaccinating, or testing.(5-3-03)

**302. Restricted Movement Permit.** A VS Form 1-27, or other document approved by the Administrator for movement of reactor or exposed animals in commerce. (5-3-03)

**313. State Animal Health Official.** The Administrator, or his designee, responsible for disease control and eradication programs. (5-3-03)

**324. State/Federal Animal Health Laboratory.** The official laboratory in Idaho that is approved by the Administrator and USDA/APHIS/VS, to conduct serologic and bacteriologic tests to detect Brucella. (5-3-03)

**335. Suspect.** Cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae are classified as suspects when their blood serum has been subjected to official serologic tests and the results suggest infection but are inconclusive. If bacteriologic methods to culture Brucella from blood, milk or tissues were used, they did not yield field-strain Brucella. (5-3-03)

**346. Swine.** All animals in the family suidae. (5-3-03)

**357. Test Eligible.** Unless otherwise specifically provided in these rules, all sexually intact cattle and domestic bison eighteen (18) months of age and over, and all parturient, and postparturient cattle and domestic bison regardless of age. (3-30-07)

**368. Wild Bison.** All animals in the genus Bison that are not owned by a person. (5-3-03)

**379. Wild Elk.** All elk that are not owned by a person. (5-3-03)

## **011. ABBREVIATIONS.**

**01. APHIS.** Animal Plant Health Inspection Service. (5-3-03)

**02. AVIC.** Area Veterinarian in Charge. (5-3-03)

**03. CFR.** Code of Federal Regulations. (5-3-03)

**04. DSA. Designated Surveillance Area. (5-1-11)T**

**045. MCI.** Market Cattle Identification. (5-3-03)

**056. UM&R.** Uniform Methods and Rules. (5-3-03)

**067. USDA.** United States Department of Agriculture. (5-3-03)

**078. VS.** Veterinary Services. (5-3-03)

**(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)**

**028. BRUCELLOSIS TESTING.** The Administrator may require *brucellosis* testing of cattle, domestic bison, swine, domestic cervidae, or other animals. (5-3-03)

**01. Duty to Restrain.** It shall be the duty of each person who has control of such animals to pen the animals in suitable pens and restrain them for the test when directed to do so in writing by the Administrator. (5-3-03)

**02. Records of Tests.** When any cattle, domestic bison, swine, or domestic cervidae are tested for *brucellosis* a complete test record shall be made and the record shall be shown on an official *brucellosis* test form provided by the Administrator. The test form shall be completely filled out, including the following information: (5-3-03)

**a.** The name and address of the owner and the location of the animals at the time of test. (5-3-03)

**b.** The name and signature of the person conducting the test. (5-3-03)

**c.** Individual identification number of each animal and the registration name and number of each purebred animal. (5-3-03)

**d.** Age of each animal. (5-3-03)

**e.** Sex of each animal. (5-3-03)

**f.** Breed of each animal. (5-3-03)

**g.** Species of animals tested. (5-3-03)

**h.** Vaccination status, including the vaccination tattoo for each vaccinated animal. (5-3-03)

**i.** Test results, if a *brucellosis* test has been performed, for each animal. (5-3-03)

**j.** Date sample was collected for testing. (3-30-07)

**03. Interstate Movement.** All test eligible cattle and domestic bison exported from Idaho shall be tested negative for *brucellosis* within thirty (30) days prior to the interstate movement if required by the state of destination, or if the cattle or domestic bison are being moved from a DSA. ~~(4-2-08)~~(5-1-11)T

**04. Dairy Herds.** *Brucellosis* ring tests shall be conducted on all dairy herds at least once every six (6) months. (4-2-08)

**(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)**

**123. DESIGNATED SURVEILLANCE AREA (DSA).** All intact cattle and domestic bison within a DSA are subject to additional rule requirements for the prevention or eradication of *brucellosis*. (5-1-11)T

**01. Individual Identification Requirements.** All intact cattle and domestic bison, regardless of age, that leave the DSA must be identified with official individual identification. (5-1-11)T

**02. Testing Requirements Within The DSA.** The following official *brucellosis* test requirements apply to all test eligible cattle and domestic bison that are or have been located within the DSA at any time between January 1 and June 15 of any calendar year. (10-1-11)T

**a.** All test eligible cattle and domestic bison must have a negative *brucellosis* test within thirty (30) days prior to a change of ownership, interstate movement or prior to leaving the DSA, except cattle or domestic bison moving directly to an approved Idaho livestock market or a federally-inspected slaughter plant that will test the animals for *brucellosis* on arrival. (5-1-11)T

**b.** Variances or exceptions to the *brucellosis* testing requirements may be considered on an individual basis by the administrator, based upon a *brucellosis* herd management plan. (5-1-11)T

**1234.** -- 129. (RESERVED).