



STATE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH  
ND Department of Agriculture  
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## RODEO CATTLE

- All need a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI).
- All cattle used for exhibition, rodeo or timed events must be individually officially identified and obtain a permit number prior to entry into ND.
- All testing and identification information must be listed on the CVI.
- Females  $\geq 12$  months must be Official Calhhood Vaccinates for Brucellosis (OCV) and inspecting veterinarian must verify and state on CVI that the shield tattoo is visible.
  - Please note: ND does not recognize adult vaccination.
- Non-virgin and non-pregnant female cattle may not be imported, for breeding purposes, into ND, unless they qualify for the exemptions outlined in [North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.](#)
  - Please contact our office if questions.
- All cattle used for rodeo or timed events must have a negative TB test within the last 30\* days prior to import. Refer to [North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.](#)
- Bulls  $\geq 18$  months of age and older must have a negative Brucellosis test within the last 12 months.
- Bulls  $\geq 24$  months of age and all non-virgin bulls  $\geq 12$  months of age must have one (1) negative PCR test within 60 days prior to importation **OR** three (3) consecutive, weekly, negative culture tests and statement on CVI "No contact with females since date of last test". All must meet Trichomonas foetus testing requirements unless an exhibition waiver is granted. Refer to [North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.](#)
- If cattle are Mexican origin
  - All cattle must be M-branded and this must be listed on the CVI.
  - Proof of a whole herd negative TB test on the **birth herd of origin.**
  - Proof of **two** negative TB tests by a USDA Accredited Veterinarian, with the last test within 30\* days prior to import. TB test charts must be faxed to ND Animal Health Division prior to issuance of a permit number. Refer to [North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.](#)
  - All cattle must be individually officially identified by 484 RFID tags and obtain a permit number prior to entry into ND.
- Calves  $< 4$  months old, including steers and spayed heifers, not accompanying dam, must include statement on the CVI "These calves are not to be resold within 60 days."

\*Exemptions may be made for animals tested within 60 days.

### ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF OFFICIAL ID INCLUDE:

- USDA Silver tags
- Official Brucellosis (Bangs) vaccination tags
- USDA Approved Radio Frequency Identification Tags

**\*Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, registration tattoos and registration numbers will no longer be considered official ID for cattle being imported into North Dakota.**

Please call (701) 328-2655 to obtain a permit number.  
After hours: (701) 220-5194 or (701) 220-0092 or (701) 202-6251