BEEF CATTLE

- All need a health certificate.
- Individual official ID required on all cattle used for exhibition.
- All sexually intact animals, ≥18 months of age must test negative for Brucella abortus within 30 days prior to importation.
- Females <12 months need individual official ID but do not need a permit number prior to entry into ND.
- Females ≥12 months of age need individual official ID and a permit number prior to entry into ND.
- Females ≥12 months must be Official Calfhood Vaccinates for Brucellosis (OCV) and inspecting veterinarian must verify and state on health certificate 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.
- Calves accompanying dam do not need individual ID.
- Calves < 4 months old, including steers and spayed heifers, not accompanying dam, need individual ID and a permit number obtained prior to entry into ND.
  - It must be stated on the health certificate that the calves are not to be resold within 60 days.
- Steers and spayed heifers >4 months old do not need individual ID and do not need a permit number prior to entry into ND.
  - Spayed heifers must have an official spay tag or the veterinarian must verify that the heifers are spayed.
- Bulls of all ages need individual official ID and a permit number obtained prior to entry into ND.
- Trichomonas foetus testing required on non-virgin bulls and all bulls ≥24 months of age. Refer to North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF OFFICIAL ID INCLUDE:

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

*Effective January 1st, 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