



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

- All need a health certificate.
- All cattle used for exhibition, rodeo or timed events must be officially identified and obtain a permit number prior to entry into ND.
- All testing and identification information must be listed on the health certificate.
- Females  $\geq 12$  months must be Official Calhhood 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.
- All cattle used for rodeo or timed events must have a negative Tuberculosis test prior to importation.
  - Cattle  $>60$  days of age, originating from **Franklin, Rush, Fayette, Decatur, Ripley, Dearborn, or Union counties**, in Indiana, must have a negative test within 30\* days of importation.
    - All cattle  $<60$  days of age are not eligible for import unless their dam has a negative TB test within 30\* days prior to importation.
  - Cattle, originating from counties not listed above, must have a negative TB test within the last 12 months. Refer to [North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.](#)
- Bulls  $\geq 18$  months of age must have a negative Brucellosis test within the last 12 months.
- Trichomonas foetus testing required on non-virgin bulls and all bulls  $\geq 24$  months of age. All must meet Trichomonas foetus testing requirements unless an exhibition waiver is granted. Refer to [North Dakota Administrative Code §48.1-05-01-02.](#)

\*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

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