

Health Requirements for Cattle Exhibited in Nebraska

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Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)

All cattle entering the Nebraska State Fair grounds must be accompanied by a current CVI and shall be identified on the CVI. CVIs must list the Nebraska State Fair as consignee.

Each CVI must:

- a. Be issued by an accredited licensed veterinarian.
- b. Show name and address of owner or exhibitor.
- c. Show all required tests and/or vaccinations.

CVIs must be issued within 30 days of the exhibition

General Health Requirements For All Animals

1. Representatives of the State Veterinarian's Office will be in attendance to verify CVIs.
2. Under no circumstances may animals under quarantine be exhibited.
3. Only animals not showing signs of infectious or contagious diseases will be allowed to show.
4. Animals that have active ringworm, lesions, visible warts, dermatitis or abscesses will not be allowed entry into the Nebraska State Fair for exhibition.
5. The inspecting veterinarian may judge the ringworm to be inactive, if the lesion is not encrusted and hair has begun re-growth in the area and is so stated on the CVI.
6. All animals entering the Nebraska State Fair will be subject to examination by a veterinarian or a representative of the State Veterinarian's Office upon arrival or during the show. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases may be immediately withdrawn from the show and held in quarantine at owner's risk and expense until properly treated and recovered, or until properly released to return to owner's premises following treatment.
7. Animals with warts that are visible by a hands-on inspection will not be allowed to remain on the premises.
8. Any animals that are sold or staying in Nebraska after exhibition must meet Nebraska import requirements. For information, call the Bureau of Animal Industry at (402) 471-2351.

If Vesicular Stomatitis Virus (VSV) is detected in Nebraska or any other state, additional requirements may be put in place.

Nebraska Origin

Beef Cattle

- A. Tuberculosis – no test required to exhibit. Must be from a herd not under quarantine.
- B. Brucellosis – no test required to exhibit. Must be from a herd not under quarantine.
- C. Trichomoniasis – There are no Trichomoniasis testing requirements for animals originating from within Nebraska.

Out-of-State Origin

Beef Cattle

A. Tuberculosis:

1. Accredited Free States or Zones:
 - a. Beef cattle – no testing required.
2. Modified Accredited Advanced State or Zone:
 - a. Beef cattle – no testing required.
3. Modified Accredited State or Zone: Beef cattle which originate from a herd not under quarantine for tuberculosis shall:
 - a. Originate from a TB accredited herd, with the accredited herd number listed on the CVI.
 - (1) Have obtained a permit for entry.
 - (2) Be individually identified with the identification listed on the CVI.
 - (3) Have tested negative to an official tuberculin test within 60 days prior to entry, or
 - b. Originate from a herd which has tested negative to an official whole herd tuberculin test within three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to entry, and shall:
 - (1) Have obtained a permit for entry.
 - (2) Be individually identified with the identification listed on the CVI.
 - (3) Have tested negative to an official tuberculin test within sixty (60) days prior to entry.

B. Brucellosis:

1. Class-Free states: no test required. Must be from a herd not under quarantine.
2. Class A states:
 - a. Steers and market-class heifers - no testing required.
 - b. Bulls and breeding females less than 18 months of age - no testing required.
 - c. Bulls and breeding females, over 18 months of age, must conform to one of the following:
 - (1) Originate directly from a certified brucellosis-free herd and the certification number recorded on the CVI; or
 - (2) Tested and classified negative for brucellosis not more than 30 days prior to entry.

C. Trichomoniasis – Cattle entering Nebraska for exhibition purposes are exempt for the requirements of the "Nebraska Amended Trichomoniasis Import Order". Animals remaining in Nebraska for any reason, other than slaughter, after exhibition, shall meet the requirements of the Order. For questions regarding the Order please contact the NE Dept. of Ag., Bureau of Animal Industry at 402-471-2351.