

**IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF BARBADOS FOR
BREEDING CATTLE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES
INTERIM PROTOCOL VALID UNTIL 07/02/2009**

The bovine animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate (VS Form 17-140), with attached declarations of the health requirement, issued by an accredited veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate must contain the name and address of the consignor and the consignee, and complete permanent identification (eartag, tattoo or iron brand) including number, breed, age, and sex of each animal to be exported.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States is free of akabane, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, *Boophilus spp.* ticks, rinderpest, Rift valley fever and screwworm.
2. Regarding bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) the following three statements are made:
 - a) The United States of America is recognized as country with a controlled BSE risk and complies with the conditions referred to in Article 11.6.4.;of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) 2008.
 - b) Cattle selected for export are identified by a permanent identification system in such a way as to demonstrate that they are not exposed cattle as described in point 3b) of Article 11.6.4.;
 - c) Cattle selected for export were born after the date from which the ban on the feeding of ruminants with meat-and-bone meal and greaves derived from ruminants was effectively enforced.
3. The animals were born, raised, and have remained in the United States. In the farm of origin, and surrounding farms, no quarantine due to, or clinical cases of infectious or contagious diseases of bovidae has been diagnosed including anthrax, bluetongue, leptospirosis, rabies, and vesicular stomatitis within 120 days prior to export.
4. The farms of origin are located in state(s) that is (are) recognized as free of brucellosis and tuberculosis.
5. The animals originate from herds free of clinical cases or outbreaks of the following diseases during the last 24 months: bovine leucosis, bovine infectious rhinotracheitis, bovine viral diarrhea, campylobacteriosis, and trichomoniasis.
6. The animals were quarantined under official USDA supervision for not less than 30 days prior to export.
7. Preventive treatments:
All animals 7 days prior to shipment were treated on _____, with _____, an approved broad-spectrum product against endoparasites and coccidia, and with _____, an approved product against ectoparasites.

All the animals were treated within 7 days prior to export with long-acting oxytetracycline at a dose of 20 mg/kg of live weight (Include product names, manufacturers, expiration dates.)

8. The animals did not receive any other therapeutic or immunogenic treatment within 14 days prior to export.

[Delete if it does not apply]

9. [The bovine animals were vaccinated for leptospirosis containing 5 serovars *L. canicola*, *grippotyphosa*, *haemorrhagiae*, *hardjo*, and *icterohaemorrhagiae*, black leg, shipping fever, malignant edema, bovine viral diarrhea, and infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis.]

TEST REQUIREMENTS

All bovine animals must be tested with negative results as prescribed below within 30 days of shipment.

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal test using bovine PPD tuberculin.
2. Brucellosis: Card test, complement fixation test, or any other officially recognized test,
3. Bovine leukosis: Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or agar-gel immunodiffusion (AGID) test.
4. Paratuberculosis (Johne's disease): Delayed –type hypersensitivity test (DTH) or ELISA.
5. Infectious bovine rhinotracheitis: ELISA or serum neutralization (SN) at 1:8 or vaccination. Vaccinated animals must be certified as such.
6. Campylobacteriosis:
Non virgin females: Either fluorescent antibody test or culture of vaginal mucus. Virgin females are exempt.
Males: Fluorescent antibody test of preputial washings or culture of vaginal mucus. Males that have never been used for natural breeding or have only mounted virgin females are exempt from this requirement.
If no test is performed, an additional certification statement must be provided indicating this condition.
7. Trichomoniasis:
Non virgin females:
Either direct observation using dark field contrast microscopy or culture of vaginal mucus. Virgin females are exempt.
Males: Direct observation using dark field contrast microscopy and culture of preputial smegma. Males that have never been used for natural breeding or have only mounted virgin females are exempt from this requirement.
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8. Bluetongue: ELISA, AGID, Virus Neutralization or PCR

VACCINATIONS

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EMBARKATION STATEMENTS

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian must attach to the Origin Health Certificate the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) showing:

1. The name and address of the consignor.
2. The name and address of the consignee.
3. The number, sex, breed and categories of animals to be shipped.
4. A statement certifying that “the animals for export have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found to be clinically healthy, free from evidence of communicable disease, nor did they have tumors, fresh wounds or wounds in the process of healing, or ectoparasites within 24 hours of exportation.”

OTHER INFORMATION

1. In order to import live animals into Barbados, the importer must obtain an import permit from Barbados Ministry of Agriculture, Veterinary Services not less than 30 days prior to the date of embarkation.
2. The U.S. Origin Health Certificate is valid for 30 days from the date of issuance although this can be extended to 45 days if the animals have remained healthy and in isolation from other animals and the accredited veterinarian so certifies.
3. No animal, semen, fertilized ova, products, or equipments other than those listed on the import permit may be included in the shipment.
4. The animals must not transit any country in route to Barbados. In case of extreme necessity, it is indispensable to have a special permit from Barbados Ministry of Agriculture, Veterinary Services.



Health Certificate No. _____
(Valid only if the USDA Veterinary Seal
Appears over the Certificate Number)

INTERIM

UNITED STATES ORIGIN HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR EXPORT OF BREEDING CATTLE TO BARBADOS

1. Name and Address of Consignor:

2. Name and Address of Consignee:

3. Identification of the animals to be exported: See appendix # 1

4. Number of animals to be exported:

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- 10. All animals in the shipment were tested according to the protocol within 30 days of embarkation. All animals tested negative for the following diseases: tuberculosis, brucellosis, bovine leucosis, paratuberculosis, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis, campylobacteriosis, trichomoniasis, and bluetongue.

11. Inspection date _____

Name of Accredited Veterinarian
*Nombre del Médico Veterinario
Acreditado*

Print Name of Endorsing Federal Veterinarian
*Nombre del Médico Veterinario Federal que
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