Guidance for requirements of Canadian origin cattle returning to Canada for breeding

CFIA has confirmed that breeding cattle may return to Canada with their 124 tags at any time. Specifically:

**If in the U.S. less than 30 days:**
- May return on Canadian health certificate
- May return with Canadian "124" RFID tags

**If in the U.S. more than 30 days but less than 60 days:**
- May return with a Canadian Import Permit, the Canadian Health Certificate, and U.S. health certificate indicating a negative brucellosis test has been conducted within 30 days of export. Note: TB testing is not required.
- May return with Canadian "124" RFID tags

**If in the U.S. more than 60 days:**
- Are exported with a Canadian Import Permit and U.S. health certificate for export of breeding cattle
- May return with Canadian "124" RFID tags

**PLEASE NOTE:**

There is no time limit to Canadian origin animals being accepted back to Canada with Canadian "124" RFID tags. However, CFIA highly discourages the application of Canadian "124" tags in U.S. origin cattle destined for export to Canada.

For any questions or for further information, please contact your local APHIS NIES Service Center or call (301) 851-3300, and select Option 2 for live animals.