

*Exhibitors are requested to have their Stock Policy Extended to Include Attendance at the show.*

**Cattle Classes - Head:**  
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**All Animals MUST be Halter Trained.**

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS – CATTLE

**TB**

All animals must come from herds, which are not restricted, and the herd and relevant animals must have had a clear test within the previous 12 months. No pre-movement test is required for TB. However, it is recommended by the Department that a 30 day pre-movement test for TB should apply to all Shows.

**Brucellosis**

- (a) All animals must come from herds which are not restricted.
- (b) Certain animals (i.e females aged 18 months and over and bulls aged 24 months and over) must have passed a test for Brucellosis within the previous 60 days. However, these animals may move to any number of Shows within the validity period of the same 60 day pre-movement test. Where such an animal(s) is/are being shown repeatedly during successive 60 day validity periods, in the course of a show season, the animal(s) may be allowed to move on foot of Permit ER 36A during the expired portion of a valid test where the animal is under test for the next validity period and the identity card/passport is held by the DVO/practitioner.

**Identification**

All cattle must bear double plastic tags as issued under the Department's identification system. They must be accompanied by their passports (except in the circumstances outlined in the preceding subparagraph).

**Bulls for A.I Stations**

In addition to the T.B. and Brucellosis tests, bulls destined for A.I Stations must be tested for I.B.R. (Infectious Bovine Rhynotracheitis), E.B.L. (Enzootic Bovine Leukosis), B.V.D. (Bovine Virus Diarrhoea) and Johnes Disease, within 30 days prior to movement into such stations.

**AIM Notification**

The movement of Irish-registered cattle to and from an Agricultural Show within the State must be recorded on AIM using form CMMS 4 (available from local DVOs). Ultimate responsibility for fulfilling this requirement lies with the Show Secretary.

The keeper of the animal(s) should complete sections 2 and 3(a) of the CMMS 4 form while Section 3(b) should be completed by the Show Secretary. Completed forms should be sent to the District Veterinary Office in the county where the show is being held within 7 days of movement.

**Imports from Northern Ireland**

It is very important that any proposal to import cattle to a show is made known to the local District Veterinary Office well in advance so that consideration can be given to compliance with the requirements outlined below.

**Premises**

The Show premises at which the cattle will reside for the duration of their stay must either be an assembly centre approved for exports or of such a standard as being capable of being approved for such a purpose temporarily. A fundamental requirement for such premises is that they have surfaces that are capable of being cleaned and disinfected, and have adequate cleaning and disinfection facilities. Adequate segregation facilities may be required also (see under "Status of Animals" below)

#### **Status of Animals**

Cattle from Northern Ireland being moved to a show must be certified in accordance with the normal requirements for intra-community trade in breeding animals including having passed a T.B. test. (export interpretation) during the 30 days prior to export and a brucellosis test in the case of eligible animals (females and entire males over 12 months) during the 30 days prior to leaving the herd of origin.

To comply with eligibility requirements for re-importation into Northern Ireland after the show, cattle must not mix with any cattle of a lesser health status whilst at the show: (This can be achieved in one of two ways: (i) either the imported animals are kept segregated fully from other cattle at the show which have not been tested or (ii) all cattle attending the show must have been TB (export interpretation) within 30 days and all cattle from Northern Ireland attending the show must have been brucellosis tested within 30 days as set out above.

#### **Documentation**

Cattle imported to a show from Northern Ireland must be accompanied by an original breeding animal intra-trade health certificate (known as a TRACES certificate) and a passport for each animal. A TRACES message, corresponding with the TRACES certificate, will be sent for each animal or consignment being dispatched to the show (this will be performed by officials in the dispatching country). For the return journey, this original certificate must be endorsed by the signature of the official veterinarian of the Department at the show, together with the official stamp of the competent authority and date of endorsement. A TRACES message will be sent for the return journey also (this will be performed by Department Officials attending the show)

In addition a non-comminglement certificate must be issued by the official veterinarian for the show at or before return, stating that the animal shows no clinical signs of disease and has not been in contact, during its stay at the show/event, with animals of a lesser health status. The passport must accompany the animal on the return journey also.

The Show Secretary should complete a CMMS 5 form in respect of animals imported to take part in the show. The owner of the imported animal(s) is required to sign the form also when the animal arrives at the show and provide his/her herd number. Following the show, the official veterinarian should complete the bottom portion of the CMMS 5 form also confirming that he has stamped the official Health Certificate and that he has issued a Non-Comminglement Certificate.

The completed CMMS 5 form should then be forwarded to NBAS Division, Administration Building, Backweston Campus, Backweston, Cellbridge, Co Kildare- to enable recording of the movement. A carbon copy of the form will be provided for the Show Secretary, the official vet and the herd keeper of the animal(s). CMMS 5 forms are available from local District Veterinary Offices (DVOs) or the Cattle Movement Notification Agency, Clonakilty, Co Cork