



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 901:1-5-06 Designating herd to be certified brucellosis free.

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(A) The department of agriculture may designate a herd of cattle to be certified brucellosis free if:

(1) It passed at least two consecutive negative herd blood tests which were not less than twelve months nor more than eighteen months apart; or

(2) It passed the first herd blood test without any evidence of brucellosis infection and passed one additional negative herd blood test conducted not earlier than six months nor more than eighteen months from the date of the first test; and

(3) All herd blood tests were conducted at a laboratory approved by or operated by the department.

(B) The department may recertify a herd as brucellosis free for 365 days if;

(1) It passes a negative herd blood test prior to the end of 455 days after the date of the certification or recertification test;

(2) All herd blood tests were conducted at a laboratory approved by or operated by the department.

(C) If a blood test of a certified brucellosis free herd, or of an animal from such a herd, reveals:

(1) One positive the department shall:

(a) Suspend the certified brucellosis free status of the herd;

(b) Continue the suspension until the herd passes a negative herd blood test conducted not earlier than sixty days following removal of the positive.

(2) More than one positive the department shall:



- (a) Suspend the certified brucellosis free status of the herd;
  
- (b) Require that the herd comply with all requirements stated in division (A) of this regulation before the department may recertify the herd as brucellosis free;
  
- (3) One or more suspects the department shall suspend the certified brucellosis free status of the herd and prior to recertification of the herd, shall require:
  - (a) That each suspect be classified as negative to a brucellosis test; or
  
  - (b) A complete negative herd blood retest if any suspect is not available for retest, unless only one suspect is not available and that animal is identified as an official brucellosis vaccinate.
  
- (D) The department shall suspend the certified brucellosis free status of a herd if each addition to the herd is not:
  - (1) A natural herd addition; or
  
  - (2) From a herd with equal brucellosis free status; or
  
  - (3) An official vaccinate:
    - (a) Under 24 months of age; and
  
    - (b) Neither parturient or post-parturient; and
  
    - (c) For which a certificate of vaccination is available; or
  
  - (4) An animal for which evidence is available that it passed negative brucellosis tests:
    - (a) Thirty days prior to addition to the herd; and



(b) Not less than sixty days after addition to the herd; and

(c) Such tests were conducted at a laboratory approved by or operated by the department.

(E) The department shall not grant status as a member of the certified brucellosis free herd, for sale purposes, to any animal added to the herd under subdivisions (D)(3) or (4) of this regulation until the animal:

(1) Has been in the herd at least 120 days; and

(2) Has been included in a complete herd retest.

(F) The department may conduct additional blood tests of any certified brucellosis free herd at any time which the department deems advisable.