



## Health Requirements for Genetic Pathway Display Cattle

### **ALL Genetic Pathway Display Cattle**

#### **Bovine Virus Diarrhea (BVD) requirements for display cattle:**

**All display cattle are required to be tested for Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVD) persistent infection (PI) status.** Acceptable tests include and are limited to: Immunohistochemistry (IHC) on skin, Antigen-capture ELISA (ACE) on serum or skin, Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) on whole blood, serum or skin. Animals must be individually tested. Pooled testing is acceptable only if documentation is provided that the animal was specifically included in the pool and that the pool contained no more than 7 animals. Type of test and test result must be listed on the CVI.

**All animals must have a negative BVD test prior to arriving on the show grounds. Animals without proof of negative BVD test will not be permitted to enter the barns.**

### **Cattle originating within Ohio:**

**IMPORTANT RULE:** All genetic pathway bulls must be tested for BVD as outlined above.

It is recommended that all show and display cattle including genetic pathway bulls that originate within Ohio have official individual identification. Acceptable forms of ID for show and display cattle are official 840 RFID tags, official USDA metal tags, or tattoos that correspond to breed registration certificates. RFID tags are acceptable only if the first three numbers are "840". Tattoos are only acceptable if the registration certificate is also presented.

CVI is not required for display cattle that originate in Ohio - but note BVD rule above.

### **Cattle originating outside Ohio:**

**IMPORTANT RULE:** All genetic pathway bulls must be tested for BVD as outlined above.

**IMPORTANT RULE:** this is Ohio law and applies to all bulls coming into Ohio from any other state for any reason:

#### **Trichomoniasis testing requirement:**

Virgin bulls under 24 months of age upon arrival at the Ohio Beef Expo:

- The following statement must appear on the CVI accompanied by the veterinarian's and owner's signature:  
"This bull has had no contact with breeding females."

Bulls over 24 months of age upon arrival at the Ohio Beef Expo and all non-virgin bulls:

- PCR test within 28 days of the date of the sale. A single culture test **does not** meet the requirement.

CVI (Health Paper) is required. See above under general rules. Multiple animals (that are not to be sold) may be listed on the same CVI.

All show and display cattle including genetic pathway bulls that originate outside Ohio are REQUIRED to have official individual identification. Acceptable forms of ID for show and display cattle are official 840 RFID tags, official USDA metal tags, or tattoos that correspond to breed registration certificates. RFID tags are only acceptable if the first three numbers are "840" and the herd premise ID number appears on the CVI. Tattoos are only acceptable if the registration certificate is also presented.

Animal(s) must meet requirements for import into Ohio:

In general, cattle from Brucellosis and Tuberculosis free states require no testing for entry into Ohio but, again, a CVI is required. See above regarding Trichomoniasis requirements. If in doubt as to specific requirements, contact the Ohio Department of Agriculture at **614-728-6220**.

### **For more information contact:**

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### **Destination to be written on the CVI**

Your vet will need this address:

Ohio Beef Expo @ Ohio Expo Center  
717 East 17th Avenue  
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