

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
STATE OF NEBRASKA**

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE )  
STATE OFFICE BUILDING ) DAIRY CATTLE IMPORT ORDER  
301 CENTENNIAL MALL SOUTH )  
FOURTH FLOOR )  
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA 68509 )

The occurrence of tuberculosis (TB) in dairy cattle has been increasing within the United States. This increase has caused several states to lose their TB Accredited-free status and cost those states millions of dollars in testing costs and decreased marketing opportunities. This Order is being issued to protect the Nebraska dairy and beef industries from these concerns.

Pursuant to the authority of Neb. Rev. Stat. §54-701, this Order is issued this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2007, for the purpose of protecting the health status of Nebraska's dairy and beef cattle industry.

**ORDER:**

This Order is in addition to requirements found in the current Animal Importation Regulations (23 NAC Chapter 2).

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

All sexually-intact dairy animals shall meet the following requirements before being imported into Nebraska:

1. Dairy animals shall be individually identified with United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) approved individual identification, obtain a pre-entry permit prior to entry into Nebraska, and this pre-entry permit number shall be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI); and

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2. Dairy animals less than six months of age (Except those originating from an Accredited-free herd in an Accredited-free state) shall be quarantined to their Nebraska destination and tested negative to an official tuberculosis test within 60 days after reaching six months of age. These animals shall remain at the Nebraska destination and not be removed from this premises without the approval of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry; or
3. Dairy animals six months of age or older (Except those originating from an Accredited-free herd in an Accredited-free state) shall be tested and found negative to an official tuberculin test within 60 days prior to entry into Nebraska.

Sexually intact dairy animals over six (6) months of age imported into Nebraska for exhibition purposes, shall meet one of the following:

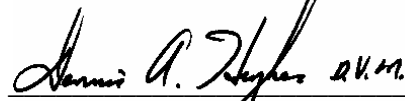
1. Originate from an accredited herd, with the accredited herd number listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection; or
2. Originate from a herd that has had a negative whole herd test within three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to entry and the individual animals to be imported shall have been part of the whole herd test; or
3. Shall have been individually tested and found negative to tuberculosis within sixty (60) days prior to entry.

Any sexually intact dairy animal remaining in Nebraska after the exhibition shall be in compliance with the Nebraska Animal Importation Act.

This Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until notice is given by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Exception of this Order will only be by approval of the State Veterinarian upon epidemiological evaluation and risk determination.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2007.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



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