

# Rules and Regulations

**Trich Regulations: Effective Date: Oct 4, 2023 Attention Kansas Cattle Producers**

## **Bulls**

Bulls that change possession or ownership within Kansas must meet one of the following criteria:

### ***Non-virgin bulls or bulls greater than 18 months of age:***

- Must be tested for trichomoniasis and certified negative within 60 days prior to change of possession or ownership, OR
- Be sold for slaughter only or for feeding for slaughter purposes.
- Virgin bulls 18 months of age or younger may change possession or ownership without a negative trichomoniasis test if the owner signs a statement verifying the bulls have not been sexually exposed to breeding-aged females.
- Virgin bulls 24 months of age or younger that are part of a herd management plan approved by the animal health commissioner shall not be required to be tested for trichomoniasis and certified negative prior to changing possession or ownership.

## **Cows and Heifers**

Cows and heifers moving into Kansas must meet one of the following criteria or move into an approved Kansas livestock market and then meet one of the following criteria:

- Move for slaughter or feeding purposes only with no bull exposure.
- Have calf at side with no bull exposure since calving.
- Be at least 120 days pregnant.
- If not 120 days pregnant, have been exposed to only known negative bulls.
- Have 120 days of sexual isolation.
- Known virgin heifers with no bull exposure since weaning.
- Embryo transfer-associated movement with no bull exposure after entering Kansas.

***BULLS THAT ARE CONSIGNED TO MARYSVILLE LIVESTOCK THAT DO NOT MEET THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER ONLY. IF YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR BULL SELL AS A GOOD BREEDER AND GO BACK TO THE COUNTRY, PLEASE BRING PROOF OF NEGATIVE TRICH TEST ALONG WITH THE BULL.***

## **Animal ID**

Beginning March 11 there will be new regulations go into effect regarding Animal ID. Below is a summary of the new rule. If you would like further information, please visit the [Kansas Department of Ag website](#).

1. All cattle 18 months of age or older and dairy cattle of any age moving interstate must be identified with an official ear tag with a unique official USDA ID number. This also applies to cattle of any age used for rodeo, show, exhibitions and recreational events. Back tags will be a permanent alternative to official ear tags for cattle moved directly to slaughter.
2. Cattle moving interstate must move on an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health certificate) with the individual official USDA ID number listed on the certificate.