

# Inspection in the Place of Origin

The objective of the Verification Program in the Place of Origin is to verify and inspect the sanitary quality of the animals to be exported, thus, minimizing the risk of introducing diseases that affect Mexico's livestock activity

The SENASICA (National Service for Agro-Alimentary Public Health, Safety and Quality) operates the Verification Program in the Place of Origin of bovine and ovine cattle for reproduction, fattening and slaughter, and caprine cattle for slaughter. The Verification Program in the Place of Origin for the export of mature and boneless beef, originating in and coming from the Oriental Republic of Uruguay to Mexico.

## Cattle Verification in the Place of Origin

The verification and inspection of live animals in foreign territory is performed as a sanitary measure to reduce the risks of introducing infectious and/or exotic diseases through the import of live animals into the United Mexican States. It is also a way to ensure the quality and compliance with all zoosanitary regulations or quarantine procedures required by Mexico in order for them to enter into national territory.

The Mexican technical personnel that carry out these activities are Official Zootechnical Veterinarians and/or approved health inspectors authorized by the Secretariat. At least two are

designated and the number can be increased, depending on the number of animals to be inspected and/or the number of quarantine stations to be visited.

The following type of cattle are currently imported:

Bovine cattle for fattening and slaughter from Nicaragua, CA

Dairy bovine cattle from New Zealand, Australia and the United States of America

Ovine cattle for reproduction from New Zealand and Australia

Ovine and caprine cattle for slaughter from the United States of America