

# Obtaining and Revalidation of the Bovine Tuberculosis Free Herd Certificate

Requirements for obtaining the certificate

- For dairy and dual purpose cattle: Three diagnostic tests shall be performed homogeneously to the totality with negative results, with intervals of not less than 60 calendar days and not more than 90 days between one test and the other to all animals older than 15 months. The results of the three tests must be negative.
- For beef cattle: All herds older than 15 months shall be subjected to two diagnostic tests, performed at intervals of not less than 10 months and not more than 14 months. The results of both tests shall be negative.

Requirements for revalidation. It is the process by which it is ratified or confirmed that the herd continues to be free of the disease.

- It must be documented that the animals that entered the farm in the last 16 months were negative to the official diagnostic test or that they come from a free herd.
- Perform a diagnostic test on 100% of the breeding stock of animals older than 24 months, with negative results, no more than 30 calendar days before the expiration date of the certificate.
- In case positive animals are detected, the free herd certificate will be cancelled and the production unit will be quarantined.