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Change in Testing Requirements for Cattle Exporting to Canada

Cattle making their way to Canada will soon have a new set of requirements for Brucellosis testing.

Any cattle exported to Canada prior to September 1, 2017, can be tested with the Florescence Polarization Assay (FPA) test, the Standard Tube Test (STT), or the Standard Plate Test (SPT) with negative reading at a 1:50 dilution.

Effective on September 1, 2017, exported cattle must be tested with the FPA test, the Buffered Acidified Plate Antigen (BAPA) test, or the Competitive Elisa (cElisa) test.

Certificates for breeding cattle to Canada (IREGS and VEHCS) will be updated accordingly.

For more information on this requirement change or any other export related topics you can contact the Oklahoma Export Service Center at 405-751-1701 or vspsok@aphis.usda.gov.

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry Lab is able to perform the BAPA test as a special test. Please indicate on the request form that the bovine being tested is going to Canada to ensure proper testing is completed.

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