



**RULE-MAKING ORDER**  
(RCW 34.05.360)

Adm Order 5032

**CR-103** (10/1/89)

Agency: Agriculture

- Permanent Rule
- Emergency Rule

(1) Date of adoption: 1-28-94

(2) Purpose: To increase minimum age for manatory change of ownership testing of dairy female cattle from the current 20 months of age to 30 months of age if brucellosis vaccinated in Washington and Canada.

(3) Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

- Repealed:
- Amended:
- Suspended:

(4) Authority for adoption:

Statute: Chapter 16.36.096 & 040 RCW  
Other Authority:

(5.1) PERMANENT RULE ONLY

Pursuant to notice filed as WSR 94-01-177 on 12-22-93 (date).

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

(5.2) EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

Pursuant to RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- (a) That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- (b) That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding:

(5.3) Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes  No If yes, explain:

(6) Effective date of rule:

**Permanent Rules**

- 31 days after filing
- Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ \*

\*(If less than 31 days after filing, specific finding in 5.3 under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required)

**Emergency Rules**

- Immediately
- Later (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 92-21-023, filed 10/13/92, effective 11/13/92)

**WAC 16-86-015 Washington cattle sale requirements. (1)**

Effective January 1, 1984, within thirty days prior to any change of ownership and in a manner prescribed by the state veterinarian, all dairy breed cattle shall be tested negative for brucellosis. The following classes of cattle are exempt from this test requirement:

- (a) Calves under four months of age.
- (b) Cattle sold or consigned to a restricted feedlot.
- (c) Cattle sold or consigned to a federally inspected slaughter plant.
- (d) Steers and spayed heifers.
- (e) Official calfhood vaccinates under twenty months of age and not parturient or post parturient.

(f) Official Washington or Canadian calfhood vaccinates under thirty months of age as evidence by less than full development of the lower permanent second incisors. This exemption applies only to Washington resident cattle which bear an eartag showing a Washington vaccination (91 V series) or a Canadian vaccination certificate. Subdivision (e) of this subsection applies to all other female dairy breed cattle unless exempted by (a), (b), (c) or (d) of this subsection. Cattle exempted under this subsection may be tested if requested by a prospective buyer or to meet import requirements of another state or foreign country.

(2) All female cattle shall be officially vaccinated against brucellosis and bear a legible vaccination tattoo prior to being sold or introduced into any herd in the state of Washington. This rule does not apply to the following:

- (a) Calves under four months of age. Female calves under four months acquired by any herd and natural female additions must become official calfhood vaccinates, as provided for in this chapter, to be sold for any purpose other than those set forth in (c), (d), (e), or (f) of this subsection.
- (b) Registered female beef cattle born before January 1, 1983.
- (c) Cattle sold or consigned to a restricted feedlot.
- (d) Cattle sold or consigned to a federally inspected slaughter plant.
- (e) Cattle sold or consigned to a public livestock market for immediate slaughter only.
- (f) Spayed heifers.

(3) Any dairy breed female cattle over eight months of age which are not exempted in subsection (2) of this section and which are found not to be vaccinated against brucellosis upon consignment to a public livestock market, shall be identified by branding with an "S" brand on the left hip prior to sale and released from the market. After "S" branding, the nonvaccinated cattle may be released by the director on a VS1-27 Form or other official permit to any of the following destinations:

- (a) A restricted feedlot.
- (b) A federally inspected slaughter plant.

(c) Another public livestock market for immediate slaughter only.

(d) Upon specific approval by the state veterinarian, nonvaccinated cattle "S" branded at a public livestock market may be returned to the farm of origin where they must remain until released by the state veterinarian for consignment to one of the destinations listed under (a), (b), or (c) of this subsection.

(4) Any dairy breed female cattle consigned to a public livestock market for probable slaughter, but whose status is later changed by the buyer, shall be identified by "S" branding and released by the department only as set forth in subsection (3) of this section, if found not to be vaccinated for brucellosis. Any buyer who fails to deliver "S" branded cattle to the destination declared by the buyer or his agent shall be guilty of a violation of this chapter. Whenever necessary, the department shall make the final determination of the vaccination status of any eligible cattle.

(5) All Washington cattle shall be individually identified and permanently recorded as to herd of origin prior to being sold or consigned for slaughter. Such identity shall be transferred to the blood sample taken for MCI test purposes. These records shall be made available to the department upon request. Except the following classes of cattle shall be exempt from this requirement:

(a) Cattle under twenty-four months of age. (Not parturient or post parturient.)

(b) Steers and spayed heifers.