§ 91.3 General export requirements.

(a) All animals intended for exportation to a foreign country, except by land to Mexico or Canada, must be accompanied from the State of origin of the export movement to the port of embarkation by an origin health certificate. All animals intended for exportation by land to Mexico or Canada must be accompanied from the State of origin of the export movement to the border of the United States by an origin health certificate. The origin health certificate must certify that the animals were inspected within the 30 days prior to the date of export, except as follows: When the Administrator allows sampling or testing to be done more than 30 days prior to the date of export, in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section, then the animals also may be inspected within that same time period, and the origin health certificate will remain valid for that time period. The origin health certificate must certify that the animals were found upon inspection to be healthy and free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure to communicable disease. The origin health certificate must be endorsed by an authorized APHIS veterinarian in the State of origin and must include any test results added by the authorized APHIS veterinarian pursuant to §161.3(k) of this chapter (any added test results must be initialed by the authorized veterinarian). The origin health certificate must individually identify the animals in the shipment as to species, breed, sex, and age and, if applicable, must also show registration name and number, tattoo markings, or other natural or acquired markings. The origin health certificate must include all test results, certifications, or other statements required by the country of destination.

(b) Inspection. All animals in each export shipment, except animals intended for export by land to Mexico or Canada, shall have been inspected, tested, or treated in the manner prescribed in this part prior to the movement of the export shipment to the export inspection facility. All animals in each export shipment intended for export by land to Mexico or Canada shall have been inspected, tested, or treated in the manner prescribed in this part prior to the movement of the animals from the State of origin. The Administrator may, upon request of the appropriate animal health official of the country of destination, waive the tuberculosis and brucellosis tests referred to in §§91.5(a) and (b), 91.6(a)(1) and (2), and 91.9(a) of this part when he finds such tests are not necessary to prevent the exportation of diseased animals from the United States.

(c) Testing. All samples for tests required by §§91.5 through 91.13 for exportation of animals under this section shall be taken by an inspector or an accredited veterinarian in the State of origin of the export movement. The samples must be taken and tests must be made within the 30 days prior to the date of export, except that the Administrator may allow such sampling or
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testing to be conducted more than 30 days prior to the date of export if required or allowed by the receiving country, and the tuberculin test may be conducted within the 90 days prior to the date of export. The test for brucellosis shall be conducted in a cooperating State-Federal laboratory in accordance with the Recommended Brucellosis Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules.

(d) Movement in cleaned and disinfected carriers or containers. The origin health certificate accompanying animals shall be accompanied by a statement from the issuing accredited veterinarian or inspector that the means of conveyance or container has been cleaned and disinfected since last used for animals with a disinfectant approved under §71.10 of this chapter, prior to loading, or that the carrier or container has not previously been used in transporting animals.

(e) Clean and disinfected facilities for unloading animals. Animals intended for exportation to Mexico or Canada or enroute to a port of embarkation shall be unloaded only into a facility which shall have been cleaned and disinfected since last used for animals with a disinfectant approved under §71.10 of this chapter, prior to unloading, and the origin health certificate shall be attached to the origin health certificate by the supervising inspector or accredited veterinarian.

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§ 91.4 Other movements and conditions.

The Administrator may, upon request in specific cases, permit the exportation of livestock not otherwise provided for in this part under such conditions as he may prescribe in each specific case to prevent the spread of livestock diseases and to insure the humane treatment of the animals while in transit.


Subpart B—Diagnostic Tests, Treatments

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§ 91.5 Cattle.

In order to be eligible for export, cattle shall be tested with results as specified in this section, and the origin health certificate shall specify the type of tests conducted, the dates of the tests, and the results of the tests.

(a) Tuberculosis. All cattle over 1 month of age shall be negative to a caudal intradermal tuberculin test using 0.1 ml. of tuberculin with a reading obtained 72 hours (plus or minus six hours) after injection as prescribed in Veterinary Services Memorandum 552.15 "Instructions and Procedures for Conducting Tuberculin Tests in Cattle," section VIII A.

(1) Provided that, such tests are not required for any of the following:

(i) Cattle exported directly to slaughter in a country that the Administrator has determined has an acceptable tuberculosis surveillance system at slaughter plants and that agrees to share any findings of tuberculosis in U.S. origin cattle with APHIS;

(ii) Cattle exported directly to slaughter from a State designated as an Accredited-Free State in §77.7 of this chapter;

(iii) Cattle exported to a country that does not require cattle from the United States to be tested for tuberculosis as described in this part; or

(iv) Cattle exported from a State designated as an Accredited-free State in

1A list of cooperating State-Federal laboratories may be obtained from the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services, National Center for Import-Export, 4700 River Road, Unit 36, Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1231.

2Copies of this publication may be obtained from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services, National Center for Import-Export, 4700 River Road, Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1231.