

BVD Accreditation Programme

- Review and upgrade herd biosecurity programme to meet the rules of the scheme (see rules summary or CHeCS technical document).
- Test five animals from each separately managed group of young stock.
- Where all animals test negative this is a clear first qualifying herd test.
- Testing of calf crops or heifer groups continues in this way and accreditation is achieved after 12 months of clear tests.
- To maintain accreditation each group of calves must be tested in this way as they reach nine months of age.
- In dairy herds the bulk milk antibody test must be carried out every three months. Where it is positive for antibody then a composite sample must be made from the first lactation animals and tested in the same way.

BVD Vaccinated Monitored Free Programme

In herds where satisfactory boundary biosecurity is not possible, a lower level of assurance may be gained by vaccinating the breeding herd with an appropriate killed BVD vaccine. Otherwise testing is as for the accreditation programme. This level of assurance may be appropriate for herds selling young stock for further finishing rather than for breeding.

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TO TAKE THE
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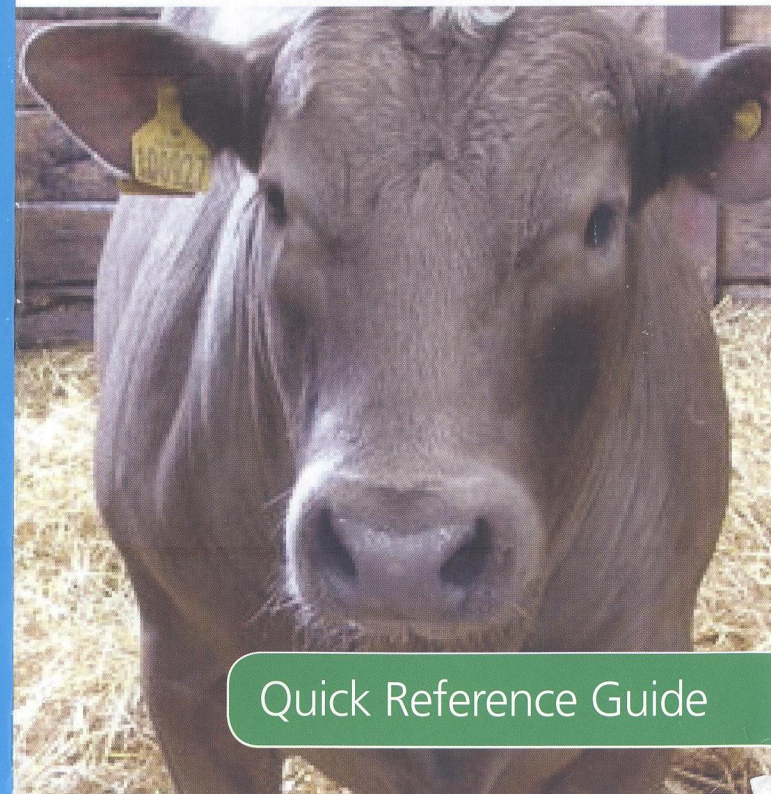


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Bovine Virus Diarrhoea (BVD)



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