

**Ag 10.55 Swine, brucellosis-free certified herd.** (1) **QUALIFYING FOR CERTIFICATE.** To qualify a herd of swine as a "brucellosis-free certified herd" and for a certificate evidencing such status the herd owner shall file with the department proof that all swine over 6 months of age have passed two successive negative brucellosis tests conducted not less than 30 nor more than 90 days apart, and that physical inspection of the herd at the time of such testing disclosed no clinical evidence of brucellosis infection. Such tests and inspections shall be conducted by a veterinarian.

(2) **EXPIRATION OF CERTIFICATE.** Certificates for brucellosis-free certified swine herds shall be valid for a period of one year unless revoked as provided in subsection (3).

(3) **REVOCAION OF CERTIFICATE.** (a) *Reactors.* When any brucellosis test of a brucellosis-free certified swine herd discloses any reactors the certificate shall thereupon be automatically revoked and be void.

(b) *Additions to the herd.* When any swine are added to a brucellosis-free certified herd the certificate shall be revoked by the department unless such swine:

1. Are from another herd so certified.
2. Have passed two successive negative brucellosis tests not less than 30 days apart, conducted by a veterinarian during a period of 90 days immediately preceding addition to the herd.
3. Were part of another herd in which all swine over 6 months of age were negative to a brucellosis test conducted not more than 30 days prior to such addition.

(4) **RE-CERTIFICATION.** (a) *Annual.* The department will recertify the status of any brucellosis-free certified swine herd, provided all swine in the herd over 6 months of age pass a negative brucellosis test conducted by a veterinarian not more than 30 days after the expiration of said certificate. Recertification shall be for additional periods of one year from the date of the last test.

(b) *When infection is disclosed.* When any certificate has been revoked because of reactions as provided in subsection (3), the herd shall qualify under subsection (1).

(5) **TEST CLASSIFICATION.** Swine brucellosis tests shall be classified "negative" when no reaction on complete herd test is disclosed in a dilution of 1-100 or higher by the usual agglutination test, or 1-50 when the test is conducted by the tube method, using an incubation temperature of 56 degrees Centigrade for 16 to 20 hours.

(6) **SUBMISSION OF BLOOD SAMPLES.** Veterinarians taking blood samples from swine, for testing pursuant to this section, shall submit all such samples to the Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory of the department.

(7) **IDENTIFICATION TAGS.** Swine which have been tested for brucellosis pursuant to this section shall be individually identified by means of ear tags and reports of such test shall be submitted to the department by the veterinarian conducting the test.