Quick Reference Guide to PCHS Accreditation - Beef



| Disease | Positives Found When Qualifying - Next Steps | Tests/Samples | Important Information |
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| BVD | Eradication and PI Hunt test all animals in the herd on one occasion. | Antigen Blood/Red top tubes | Ensure every calf is tested. |
| | Follow up by testing all animals born in the herd in the 12 months after removal of the last persistently infected (PI) animal | & Tissue tags | Keep Tags in a cool dry place & submit in batches every two weeks. |
| | Positive animals should be culled & offspring of positive females should not be retained for breeding. If Johne's disease has not been recognised in herd then discuss resampling test positives with your vet. Developing a health plan with your vet to minimise the risk of Johne's is essential. | Blood/Red Top Faeces | Herds are accredited as Risk level from 1-4 according to no. of positives. Herds that enrol in the programme but don't follow the rules are Risk Level 5. Calves from test positives are high risk animals & should not be kept or sold for breeding. Don't sample animals within 3 months of a TB test (sample on 1 st test if you nec |