

The information presented below is intended as a guide to the cattle health declaration.

The points below relate to the corresponding numbers opposite.

**1. The colour code for BVD Antibody-**

White = Negative and unexposed to infection

Green = Positive for antibody, previously exposed to disease and currently immune

**2. All animals with a Cattle Health Declaration must have been tested as blood test negative for BVD virus**

**3. The number displayed in the TB disease box refers to the testing frequency employed within the parish where the herd originates - i.e. 1 year, 2 year, 3 year, 4 year.**

**4. For each disease where is herd is accredited the number of years the herd has been accredited will be displayed.**

**5. All information is based on CHeCS standards to offer the highest level of assurance.**



**6. The Health scheme provider logo will be displayed. The declaration is available to those out with specific schemes through the blood testing service provider.**

**7. The information is specific to a particular sale.**

**8. Column 2 - Herd Accreditation - offers the highest level of health assurance.**

**9. Column 3 indicates the testing date for the individual animal**

Extra information on the animals health history can be provided on a supplementary document available from the owner. If you are in any doubt please seek veterinary advice.

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## Importance of the Scottish Cattle Health Declaration

It is in the interest of the individual livestock keeper to reduce the risk of introducing any disease into his/her animals, and in the interest of the industry as a whole to prevent the spread of disease should it occur.

Key Practices include:

- Buying in healthy stock
- Providing clean food and water
- Maintaining good standards of hygiene
- Separation and isolation of new or ill stock
- Appropriate slurry management or disposal of faeces
- Traceability and identification of stock, visitors and deliveries.

Further information on these activities is available from the Scottish Executive website (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Agriculture/animal-welfare/Diseases/GenControls/15721/2959>).

Buying in animals carries a risk of introducing disease; the source of replacement livestock influences the degree of risk. The Scottish Cattle Health Declaration will help you to assess the relative risk of buying individual animals at the sales by providing specific disease-related information for you to consider. Using this information will help you to safeguard the health of your own livestock, and your livelihood. It will also help to take the industry forward, potentially further improving the health status and reputation of Scottish produce, and in turn helping to boost trade figures and prices.

However, always remember that there are no absolute guarantees of freedom from disease. All new animals should be routinely isolated for an appropriate period before introducing them to existing stock.



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# Scottish Cattle Health Declaration



Biosecurity in practice – supporting the buying of healthy stock



The Scottish Cattle Health Declaration and information for guidance has been developed by an all industry stakeholder group facilitated by NFU Scotland in support of the Animal Health and Welfare Strategy in Scotland

  
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