



**YEAR 2024**

## **CREMONA INTERNATIONAL DAIRY SHOW 2024**

### HEALTH REGULATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION AT LIVESTOCK EXHIBITIONS

Livestock exhibitions are subject to verification, by the competent Val Padana Territorial Health Department, of their observance and maintenance of applicable structural and management requisites, and said health requisites are applied in relation to the species of animals held on site, pursuant to Italian Legislative Decrees 134/2022 and 136/2022, and Regulation (EU) 429/2016 (as amended) and its delegated and implementing acts.

- The animals are subject to veterinary controls when brought into the exhibition centre, or otherwise as indicated by the competent Veterinary Department; the owners and holders of the animals must facilitate said controls by providing the animals with appropriate equipment for their containment.
- All vehicles authorised to transport the animals must, before loading them, be cleaned, washed and disinfected (Part IV, Title 1, Chapter 3, Section 1, Article 125 of Regulation (EU) 2016/429 as amended).
- The following Exhibition Centre ID code must be given on the accompanying paperwork or international certificates: IT036CR01M.
- The organiser of the exhibition must ensure observance of the minimum biosecurity requirements by the site. The animals must be kept and cared for in such a way as to assure their wellbeing, in observance of the ethological characteristics of their various species, as well as to prevent them escaping.
- No animals not authorised by CremonaFiere S.p.A. are allowed on the exhibition grounds on which participating animals are staying or transiting.



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- Pursuant to art. 6 of Legislative Decree n. 136, 5 August 2022, exhibitors must report any cases of infective disease (including suspected cases) to the exhibition's officially designated veterinarians.
- The organiser of the exhibition must register the entrance of the animals in the National Data Bank (NDB), as well as registering the documents accompanying their entrance/exit in the NDB, and also register their exit from the exhibition as required.  
Breeders, themselves or in the person of their representative, must register all movements into and out of the exhibition centre in the NDB.
- Animals arriving directly from Member and Third Party States must be accompanied by a health certificate issued by the competent Health Authorities.

CATTLE:

Participating cattle must be properly identified pursuant to Italian Legislative Decree 134/2022, Ministerial Decree 07 March 2023, Regulation (EU) 2019/2035, Regulation (EU) 2021/520 with special reference to art. 20, and Decree of the Italian Ministry of Health 2 May 2024, registered in the NDB with their respective movements and subjected to clinical controls by the official veterinarian at their origin.

**ALL CATTLE AND BUFFALOES WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN NATIONALISED AND ARE ARRIVING DIRECTLY FROM MEMBER STATES MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR INDIVIDUAL PASSPORT, WHICH MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE TIME OF THEIR HEALTH EXAMINATION** (for entry into the digital livestock register: we ask that the breeders of the animals also provide a *COPY* of said passport to facilitate the procedure).

**TUBERCULOSIS, BRUCELLOSIS AND BOVINE LEUCOSIS**

Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2021/620, cattle participating at livestock exhibitions must come from farms which are:

- ✓ Free of TBC



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- ✓ Free of brucellosis
- ✓ Free of enzootic bovine leucosis

All cattle must be accompanied by their accompanying documentation pursuant to Article 8, section 7, of Italian legislative decree 5 August 2022, n. 134, indicating their bovine/buffalo species, drawn up in the National Data Bank and **validated by the Official Veterinarian**, attesting a **positive health examination** and **negative intradermic test for tuberculosis and, for animals older than 1 year of age, a negative serological test for brucellosis and bovine leucosis, dated no more than 30 days previously.**

**Cattle from breeders OFFICIALLY FREE of Tuberculosis, Brucellosis and Bovine Leucosis located in provinces and regions not officially free of Tuberculosis or Brucellosis** may only participate in the exhibition:

- pursuant to Decree of the Italian Ministry of Health 2 May 2024, Annexes 1b, 2b and
- on condition that the cattle have tested negative for tuberculosis no earlier than 30 days prior to the event if older than 6 weeks of age, and passed a negative serological test for Brucellosis and Leucosis if older than 12 months of age, and
- on condition that they are accompanied by their accompanying documentation, issued pursuant to Italian Legislative Decree 134/2022 by the National Data Bank, signed and validated by the Official Veterinarian, attesting a positive health examination and negative intradermic test for tuberculosis for animals older than six weeks of age and, for animals older than 1 year of age, a negative serological test for brucellosis and bovine leucosis, and
- on condition that said animals are kept in areas clearly segregated from other animals in such a way that they cannot come into contact with them, and that said areas are properly cleaned and disinfected prior to the entrance of the animals.

**Cattle originating in territories not free of disease may only be transported subsequently for direct return to their original breeder or, if transported from the exhibition to a fattening farm located in Lombardy or to another territory officially free of disease, are thereafter to be transported solely for slaughter. Animals from provinces or regions not officially free of disease may not be transported to breeders other than their original farms.**

**Animals arriving from EU and non-EU countries** must be accompanied by the certifications required by established regulations.

Cattle sent to the exhibition must have undergone:

- ✓ no earlier than 30 days previously: a negative intradermic test for tuberculosis



- ✓ no earlier than 30 days previously: a negative serological examination for BRUC and LEB  
**(animals older than 12 months of age)**

N.B. CATTLE ARRIVING FROM PROVINCES, REGIONS AND STATES RECOGNISED AS BEING FREE OF THE ABOVE (by a Community Decision) MUST ALSO UNDERGO TESTING FOR **TBC, BRUC, LEUCOSIS AND IBR** AS INDICATED ABOVE.

### **BOVINE VIRAL DIARRHOEA (BVD)**

To enter the exhibition grounds, all animals must satisfy the following requirements:

- **No earlier than 30 days previously:** Negative PCR blood test.

**The result of the test must be entered into section E of the accompanying documentation and the health certificates for animals arriving from EU member and third party states.**

### **INFECTIVE BOVINE RHINOTRACHEITIS (IBR)**

To enter the exhibition grounds, all animals **of any age** must satisfy the following requirements:

- **No earlier than 30 days previously: favourable serological IBR test for cattle/buffalo. The result of the test must be entered into section E of the accompanying documentation and the health certificates for animals arriving from EU member and third party states.**

Animals permitted into the premises must therefore be:

- **Seronegative**  
or
- **gE negative**

Animals arriving directly from Member States must be accompanied by the health certificate required for EU trade, issued by the competent Health Authorities. The applicable regulation in this case is Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/688 and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689.

Since the territory of the province of Cremona is not included, pursuant to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/620, in the zones free of disease or having an approved eradication programme, **in case**



**of application for re-entry of animals originating in zones or Member States free of IBR or with approved eradication programmes, this may be permitted if there is a specific bi-lateral agreement between the Italian Health Authorities and the destination Member States.**

The spaces for holding and managing the cleaned and disinfected animals on the exhibition grounds will be organised according to their countries of origin.

## **BLUE TONGUE**

### ➤ Movement inside the country (ITALY)

As regards the possibility and conditions for moving animals originating in territories belonging to restricted zones, as listed in the National Blue Tongue Information System (<http://bluetongue.izs.it/>), unless otherwise indicated by the Ministry of Health, refer to the provisions of Ministry Regulation 17522, 26 June 2019 – DGSAF as amended.

Given the current epidemiological situation in the Lombardy region, which is under restriction for BTV1 and BTV4, we recall in particular the requirement to observe the rules governing exit from restricted zones towards disease-free zones, or towards territories with other circulating serotypes, and to observe the general conditions given in section 3 of Ministry Regulation 17522, 26 June 2019 as amended.

Animals of national origin must be accompanied by the accompanying documentation pursuant to Article 8, Section 7 of Italian Legislative Decree 5 August 2022, n. 134, indicating their bovine/buffalo species, issued directly by the National Data Bank, in which, for vaccinated animals, the dates of vaccination must be registered for each animal per serotype, specifying the vaccine employed, according to the schedule given in the regulation, and the insect repellent treatment (name of product) and insecticidal treatment (name of product) with the date and time of treatment as required by Ministry Regulation no. 17522 of 26 June 2019 as amended.

Transport must be done during daytime (8:00-18:00).

### ➤ Movement from MEMBER STATES

Animals arriving **directly from Member States** must be accompanied by the health certificate

required for EU trade, issued by the competent Health Authorities. The applicable regulation in this case is Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/688 and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/689, Annex V, Part II, Chapter 2, Section 1, points 1 to 8.

In particular, note that animals which enter Italy and return to their country of origin must have been:

- Vaccinated at least 60 days prior to travel with BTV serotypes reported in the zone of origin/destination; or
  
- Protected against attack by vectors with insecticides or insect repellents for at least 14 days prior to travel, and subjected, with a negative outcome, to a PCR test of samples drawn at least 14 days after the start of the period of protection against attack by vectors (Annex V, Part II, Chapter 2, Section 1, point 6 of Regulation (EU) 689/2020).

To ensure safe re-entry of all animals present on the exhibition grounds, their continued protection against vectors throughout their stay on the exhibition grounds will be managed and certified by the organiser's designated veterinarians.

Without prejudice to the regulations agreed between Italy and the state of origin, especially as regards animals arriving from non-EU countries (including the UK).

## **EHDV**

Further to the evolution of the epidemiological situation of Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD) in France, Spain, Portugal and Italy (Sardinia and Sicily), it is now considered necessary to implement risk reduction measures, substantially similar to those adopted for Blue Tongue, to enable livestock to be moved safely.

As a temporary measure pending publication of a new European Regulation, animals from zones under EDHV restriction orders will be admitted to the showgrounds provided they have been protected against attack by vectors with insecticides or insect repellents for at least 14 days prior to travel, and have been subjected, with a negative outcome, to a PCR test of samples drawn at least 14 days after the start of the period of protection against attack by vectors.



## **RABBITS:**

The animals must be accompanied by their accompanying documentation pursuant to Article 8, Section 7 of Italian Legislative Decree 5 August 2022, n. 134, with a health certificate signed by the Official Veterinarian attesting the absence of myxomatosis and MEV in the farm of provenance for at least the previous 6 months, as well as their vaccination against MEV and MYXOMATOSIS no later than 15 days previously and no longer than 6 months previously.

## **ANIMAL WELFARE**

### **REQUISITES**

The organiser of the exhibition must assure the availability of a veterinary service dedicated to emergency response and the care of the animals as required.

Note that Italian Legislative Decree no. 146 of 2001, art. 2, requires that **the owner**, custodian or keeper **must take measures to ensure the wellbeing of their animals and to prevent any pain, suffering or harm to them;**

It follows that any measures or actions which do not promote the health and wellbeing of the animals and result in unjustifiable suffering or illness **are prohibited**.

Without prejudice to the obligation to observe all regulations governing animal welfare, we highlight below (as examples and non-exhaustively) a number of aspects and types of conduct which any breeder/custodian/keeper must observe and bear and mind when caring for their animals, including during the exhibition.

## **TREATMENTS**

No other substance, with the exception of therapeutics, may be administered to the animals; treatments, substances and measures whose sole purpose is to improve the look or performance of the animal and which cause suffering of any kind, even if only due to their administration, are prohibited; in case of doubt, refer to the exhibition's designated veterinarian.



## **DRUGS**

No veterinary medicines may be administered to the animals at the exhibition except following veterinary examination and prescription; any such treatments will be administered by the exhibition's veterinary or under their supervision and responsibility.

Any authorised and administered treatments must be registered by the exhibition veterinary, as required by law.

## **SOLID FOODS AND LIQUIDS**

Foods and liquids may only be administered to the animals in such a way as not to cause suffering or harm, nor may such foods and liquids contain any substances that cause suffering or harm.

All animals must be provided access to their feed at the intervals demanded by their physiology. All animals must have permanent access to an appropriate amount of water of adequate quality, or must be able to satisfy their need to take on liquids in some other manner.

## **MILKING COWS**

Note that Regulation (EC) 1/2005 for the transport of animals and extensible by analogy to the treatment of lactating cows, requires that lactating cows, if not accompanied by their progeny, be milked at **intervals of no more than 12 hours**.

## **SANCTIONS**

**Any maltreatment will be punished as required by the law and, if necessary, reported to the competent judicial authorities.**

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For any further information, please contact the Val Padana ATS (Health Protection Authority)





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