

Instructions for Completing the Texas Trichomoniasis Test Record

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The instructions below match the blocks on the TAHC Trichomoniasis Test Record (TAHC Form 09-03). These instructions match the test record blocks from left to right, row by row.

ROW 1

State: Enter Postal Code TX for Texas

TAHC Region: Use the appropriate TAHC region number (1-8) that corresponds to the Texas county in which the bulls reside. If you do not know the region number, please contact the TAHC at 800-550-8242.

Herd Owner: Enter the herd owner's name.

Vet Printed Name: Enter the name of the TAHC Bovine Trichomoniasis Certified veterinarian conducting the sample collection.

NAN: Enter the USDA National Accreditation Number (NAN) for the veterinarian collecting the sample.

ROW 2

County: Enter the name of the county where the bull being tested resides.

Owner Address: Enter the owner's mailing address. (See below for the Post Office-State-Zip block for the rest of the owner's address.)

Vet Address: Enter the veterinary clinic mailing address.

Specimen Collection Date: Enter the date the sample was collected from the bull.

ROW 3

Herd Number: This block will be completed by the appropriate TAHC region office.

Owner City – State - ZIP: Enter the owner's mailing city, state and ZIP.

Vet City – State - ZIP: Enter the veterinary clinic city, state and ZIP.

Vet Phone: Enter the veterinarian's 10-digit business phone number.

ROW 4

PIN or LID: If the owner has a Premises ID Number (PIN) or a Location ID (LID), enter the identification number.

RANCH NAME: Enter the owner's ranch name (if applicable).

Vet Signature: The TAHC Bovine Trichomoniasis Certified veterinarian should sign the official test record.

Vet Fax: Enter the 10-digit fax number for the attending veterinarian's office.

ROW 5

Reason for Test:

- **Initial** -- test for a bull that has not had a valid trichomoniasis test within the previous 30 days.
- **Retest** – second or third culture test performed as part of a three-test series, or the second PCR conducted within 30 days to release restrictions on exposed bulls.
- **Diagnostic** — a non-regulatory test performed at the request of the owner. Culture tests performed at the veterinary clinic may not be used for change-of-ownership or other regulatory reasons. Diagnostic PCR tests, or a series of three diagnostic culture tests, each conducted seven days part, (when performed at an approved laboratory), are valid for both diagnosis and the change-of- ownership requirements in effect January 1, 2010.
- **Herd Cert/Valid** — herd certification and validation programs.
- **Private sale** — test intended to satisfy all or part of Texas change-of-ownership requirements.
- **Post-move Quar & Test** — test performed on bulls purchased without a test (usually a sale barn). Test to satisfy Texas change-of-ownership requirements.
- **Adjacent Herd Test** — test performed on bulls that are located or were located on property adjacent to an

infected animal within 30 days from the date the infected animal was removed from a fenceline adjacent property.

Test Options: Select only #1, #2, or #3.

#1 PCR – Direct Smegma – Samples for Direct Smegma PRC must be submitted in phosphate buffered saline and must be received at the TVMDL, in good condition, within 96 hours after collection.

#2 Culture – In Pouch Only – Samples for culture test must be received at the TVMDL within 48 hours after collection.

#3 PCR – In Pouch – Samples for PCR – In Pouch testing must be received at the TVMDL within 48 hours after collection (without incubation) OR within 96 hours if properly incubated at 36C - 38C for no more than 48 hours at the veterinarian's clinic.

Clinic Incubation (PCR In Pouch Only) @ 36C – 38C?: Check only one option.

- **None** — If **None** is checked, TVMDL will incubate the pouch for 48 hours prior to test.
- **24 hrs** — Check here if the samples are incubated at the veterinarian's clinic for only 24 hours. TVMDL will finish incubation process at the lab.
- **48 hrs** — Check here if the samples are incubated at the veterinarian's clinic for the full 48 hours.

Pooling Requested (PCR In Pouch Only): Check only one option.

- **Yes** – check here if you request laboratory pooling. Trichomoniasis samples pooled at the laboratory may qualify as an official test at a ratio of up to five individually collected samples pooled for one test. Veterinary practitioners may not submit pooled samples for an official test.
- **No** – Check here if you do not request laboratory pooling.

Pouch expiration date: Record the expiration date of the pouch.

Complete herd test of all eligible bulls? Test-eligible bulls include all non-virgin bulls and virgin bulls older than 18 months of age (the age may be extended to 30 months for virgin Texas bulls, if the attending veterinarian determines that facilities are adequate to prevent the commingling of female and male cattle).

- **Yes** – check here if it is a complete herd test of all eligible bulls.
- **No** – Check here if it is not a complete herd test of all eligible bulls.

Herd type: Select the type of herd. Mixed herds contain both dairy and beef breeds that are commingled. Select **Other** for bison or exotic cattle breeds.

Number of bulls in herd: inventory of herd bulls

Remarks: use as needed

Animal Information Section

NO.: Numerical order of the bulls tested (1, 2, 3, etc.)

RETAG?: Check here if a previously tested bull has had a new tag applied to replace a lost or damaged ear tag.

OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS: Record the official identification here. Acceptable identification includes: brucellosis eartag, official 840 radio frequency identification device (RFID), official 840 flap or bangle tag, official individual animal breed registry brand, official individual animal breed registry tattoo, official state of origin trich tag (Texas does not have one of these).

AGE: Bull's age in months and/or years. Use **ADULT** if unknown.

BREED: Use standard breed abbreviations or descriptive color abbreviations for mixed breed bulls.

SEX: Enter M (male) or F (female).

RESULTS — PCR, CULTURE: for TVMDL use.

REMARKS: Secondary IDs on animals or other info.

Important: Distribute a copy of the test record to the owner and the TAHC region office.
