

Farmer's Declaration For Non Breeding Status

Before submitting this declaration, all calves born on the holding within the past 12 months, and still present on the holding, must have been tested for BVD antigen/virus and the results uploaded to ScotEID.

This declaration is to be completed, initialled and signed by the registered keeper responsible for the herd(s) on the holding stated below, and returned to ScotEID. This is required to be renewed annually.

Holding CPH (County/Parish/Holding number)

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Email address

Keeper's
name

Mobile
number

*Please attach your
barcode sticker here*

DECLARATION

Please note: Guidance for completing this declaration is on the reverse side of this document.

Please initial either box A or B below, to show which situation applies to the herd/s within your holding.

A - I declare that breeding **is not** intended to take place on my holding

Initial
here

or

B - I declare that breeding **is** intended to take place on my holding. However, only a minority of the animals on the holding will be used for breeding purposes.

Initial
here

I hereby declare that I am the responsible keeper, and I accept that by signing this declaration my holding will be classed as 'declared non breeding'.

I agree that all calves born on the holding will be tested for BVD antigen/virus within 40 days of birth, or before leaving the holding if sooner.

I acknowledge that this declaration is valid for up to 12 months from the date it is signed, although it may be end dated earlier if applicable.

If the 'declared non breeding' status is no longer applicable, I will notify ScotEID immediately.

Full Signature:

Date of Signing:

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The aim of the BVD eradication scheme is to identify and remove all Persistently Infected (PI) animals from holdings in Scotland, in order to eradicate the BVD virus.

The definition of a 'breeding herd' means a group of two or more bovine animals in which breeding, whether by natural, assisted or artificial means, is intended by its keeper to take place, and no steps are taken to prevent or minimise the chances of such breeding.

Implications of making the declaration

If a calf is born it must be tested for BVD antigen/virus within 40 days of birth, or before leaving the holding if sooner. The sample/s must be sent to an approved testing laboratory. You must not move these animals until they have been tested and shown to be BVD antigen/virus negative on ScotEID.

We strongly advise that if you have breeding animals on the holding that they are kept separate from the rest of the herd.

BVD sampling tags should be ordered in preparation for any calves.

Your holding will be classed as BVD declared non breeding. For private sales, you must make this fact known to purchasers.

The farmer's declaration may be revoked at ScotEID's discretion, if the necessary testing has not been completed or breeding has resumed without informing us.

If you have a PI animal on your holding, it is mandatory for it to be housed separately. If the PI animal is present after 40 days, the CPH will be listed on the PI locator and ON movements will be restricted.

If your holding is in a Compulsory BVD Investigation (CBI), you cannot declare yourself as non breeding without prior approval from the BVD Policy Team at Scottish Government.

A declaration is valid for up to 12 months from the date it is signed, although it may be end dated earlier if applicable.

If you no longer want a declared non breeding status, you must contact ScotEID on 01466 794323 for advice.

For more information on the BVD Eradication Scheme

For Scottish Government guidance:

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/farmingrural/Agriculture/animal-welfare/Diseases/disease/bvd>

For the checking a BVD Herd Status, please visit: <https://www.scoteid.com/lookup>

For the BVD Helpline, please telephone: 01466 794323