



<b>EXPORT ADVISORY NOTICE – 2007- 06</b>			<b>27 March 2007</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Johne's disease testing protocol for feeder cattle to Japan</b>		
<b>Species:</b>	<b>Livestock</b>		
<b>Country:</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>File No.</b>	<b>2006/03604</b>
<b>Relevant to:</b>	<b>AQIS Live Animal Exports Officers</b> <b>Livestock Exporters to Japan</b> <b>Livecorp /Australian Livestock Exporters Council</b>		

### **Purpose**

To inform AQIS officers and exporters of the Johne's disease protocol requirements for the export of feeder cattle to Japan.

### **Background**

To clarify the Johne's disease protocol requirements for the export of feeder cattle to Japan AQIS, industry representatives and exporters had a teleconference on 18 January 2007. AQIS wrote to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) on 30 January 2007 proposing the revised conditions below.

MAFF expectations are that cattle exported as feeder cattle to Japan from 1st April will meet the revised Johne's disease protocol requirements until an agreed protocol has been negotiated between MAFF and Biosecurity Australia.

### **Instructions**

The revised Johne's disease protocol requirements for feeder cattle are:

- *The export cattle showed no clinical signs of Johne's disease on the day of shipment*
- *The export cattle have been tested with negative results in the pre-export quarantine facility as follows and have thereafter been kept isolated from other animals not with the same results to these tests:*
  - *Delayed type hypersensitivity test conducted during the period between 70 and 16 days before shipment using Avian PPD (for sea transport)*
  - *ELISA test conducted 3 or more days after the delayed type hypersensitivity test using Avian PPD.*

This will require cattle that have been previously tested for Johne's disease and are now being prepared for consignments from 1 April 2007 onwards to be retested to meet the above conditions.



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