

Bovine Tuberculosis

Intradermal skin testing has now ceased due to many years with no positive cases of TB being found.

We are, however, asking all farmers that kill beef on farm to be especially vigilant for disease and to return information to us for continued passive disease surveillance by filling in a 'BEEF KILL ON FARM REPORT FORM' and sending it to us when full and taking any necessary action if disease is suspected (i.e. sending samples to the DOA).

In 2007 everyone should have received a 'TB MONITORING ON FARM' handout with the Woolpress with pictures of lymph nodes infected with TB and with details regarding how to find and examine these glands. A report form is attached to this handout.

Please do be vigilant and help us with disease surveillance by using and returning the report forms.

If you require a copy of this handout to put in your FMH please contact the department.