§ 78.2 Handling of certificates, permits, and "S" brand permits for interstate movement of animals.

(a) Any certificate, permit, or "S" brand permit required by this part for the interstate movement of animals shall be delivered to the person moving the animals by the shipper or shipper’s agent at the time the animals are delivered for movement and shall accompany the animals to their destination and be delivered to the consignee or the person receiving the animals.

(b) The APHIS representative, State representative, or accredited veterinarian issuing a certificate or permit required for the interstate movement of animals under this part, except for permits for entry and "S" brand permits, shall forward a copy thereof as follows:

1. A copy of each certificate shall be forwarded to the State animal health official of the State of destination, or to the State animal health official of the State of origin for forwarding to the State of destination; or

2. A copy of each permit shall be forwarded to the State animal health official of the State of destination.

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§ 78.3 Handling in transit of cattle and bison moved interstate.

Cattle and bison moving interstate, except cattle and bison moved directly to a recognized slaughtering establishment, approved intermediate handling facility, or quarantined feedlot, shall be moved only in a means of conveyance which has been cleaned in accordance with §§71.5, 71.7, 71.10, and 71.11 of this chapter and, if unloaded in the course of such movement, shall be handled only in pens cleaned in accordance with the provisions of §§71.4, 71.7, 71.10, and 71.11 of this chapter.

§ 78.4 [Reserved]

Subpart B—Restrictions on Interstate Movement of Cattle Because of Brucellosis

§ 78.5 General restrictions.

Cattle may not be moved interstate except in compliance with this subpart.

§ 78.6 Steers and spayed heifers.

Steers and spayed heifers may be moved interstate without restriction under this subpart.

§ 78.7 Brucellosis reactor cattle.

(a) Destination. Brucellosis reactor cattle may be moved interstate only for immediate slaughter as follows:

1. Directly to a recognized slaughtering establishment;

2. Directly to an approved intermediate handling facility and then directly to a recognized slaughtering establishment; or

3. From a farm of origin directly to a specifically approved stockyard approved to receive brucellosis reactors and then
   i. Directly to a recognized slaughtering establishment; or
   ii. Directly to an approved intermediate handling facility and then directly to a recognized slaughtering establishment.

(b) Identification. Brucellosis reactor cattle must be individually identified prior to moving interstate by attaching to the left ear a metal tag bearing a serial number and the inscription "U.S. Reactor," or a metal tag bearing a serial number designated by the State animal health official for identifying brucellosis reactors, and must be:

1. "B" branded (as defined in §78.1); or

2. Accompanied directly to slaughter by an APHIS or State representative; or

3. Moved in vehicles closed with official seals applied and removed by an APHIS representative, State representative, accredited veterinarian, or an individual authorized for this purpose by an APHIS representative. The official seal numbers must be recorded on the accompanying permit.