

# Western Illinois University Bull Test Veterinarian Sheet

## CONSIGNORS PLEASE GIVE THIS SHEET TO YOUR VETERINARIAN BY JULY 10, 2011

This sheet is to provide veterinarians working with producers that are consigning a bull(s) to the 2011-2012 Western Illinois Bull Test Station. Please follow these instructions carefully. **The steps for processing the certification can only be done by the veterinarian, not the producer. Cattle work can be done by producer if approved by veterinarian, but the paperwork can only be completed by a vet.**

- 1) Merial SUREHEALTH is the proven preconditioning requirement. We have taken this step to reduce respiratory problems and to reduce the cost billed to breeders if bulls become sick with respiratory disease within the first 21 days of reaching the test facility. The results of choosing SUREHEALTH for the Bull Test have been both a saving to the producers and greatly improved the overall health of the bulls. The required products from Merial include: IVOMEc Pour-On; IVOMEc EPRINEX; IVOMEc Injectable or IVOMEc Plus. Respishield HM is the required Pasteurella Vaccine. Vets may use any Respiratory vaccines and any 7-way.
- 2) --All Bulls must have a SUREHEALTH, Veterinarian Certification and SUREHEALTH tag to enter the test (tag can be attached to another tag in the animal). A herd ID number can serve as the SUREHEALTH tag; however that number **MUST** appear on the SUREHEALTH certification.
  - Bulls must be weaned for 45 days, on or before August 19.
  - Bulls will carry the SUREHEALTH limited health warrantee for the first 21 days (i.e.: Merial will cover costs related to respiratory issues during the first 21 days on test; death loss will not be covered for any reason; sickness after the first 21 days will be the responsibility of the breeder).
  - 100% Compliance is Necessary to have Merial offer this outstanding service to our breeders and buyers.
  - A copy of the SUREHEALTH Certification must be brought to the bull test when bulls are delivered.

### SUREHEALTH REQUIRMENTS:

- ++Calves must be weaned by August 19 (45 days required)
  - ++Calves must be de-wormed with IVOMEc Brand Products
  - ++Calves must receive 2 doses of Cattle Respiratory Vaccine. Merial does have Reliant (MLV) Line is available from Merial but other manufacture vaccines are acceptable. Vaccines can be given pre-wean then follow-up with booster or at weaning with booster.
  - ++Calves must have 2 doses of 7-Way Clostridial/Blackleg Vaccine from any manufacture.
  - ++Calves must have 1 dose of Pasteurella Vaccine from Merial-Respishield HM
  - ++Calves must have 2 doses of Hemophilis Somnus (often in combination with 7-way). This is an optional part of SUREHEALTH; however, WIU is **requiring** this vaccine in 2011-2012.
  - ++Calves must be bunk and water broke.
  - ++Tipped or Dehorned
- ++VETERINARIAN CERTIFIED—This step can only be completed by a veterinarian, not the producer.

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## HOW TO CERTIFY SUREHEALTH CATTLE:

--Call Merial or your Distributor Partner to order IVOMECE and compliant Vaccines in **JULY** (also best savings for your practice and producer). Call Rachael Schumaker to obtain approved SUREHEALTH tags; but again a herd tag is acceptable as long as the SureHealth paperwork has that number listed.

--Go to Merial.com or SUREHEALTH.com and follow these instructions:

Go to [www.merial.com](http://www.merial.com) <<http://www.merial.com>> .

2. Select the United States.

3. Click the Veterinary Professionals button (left navigation).

4. Login with the First Time Login information below:

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Password** \_\_\_\_\_

**If you logged on last year you should have the passwords that you had chosen or call 888-637-4251 option 7 for Large Animal Customer Care and they will provide you with passwords.**

5. This step will take you to a registration page where you will set up your own/personal login for future use. **Select VET as your Clinic Role** in order to access SureHealth forms.

6. After you have submitted your registration, you will be taken to the Vet Prof homepage. Click the SureHealth button (left navigation) to register cattle.

7. Cattle can also be certified by fax; however, 4 weeks must be allowed to obtain paperwork in this fashion. We highly recommend doing the forms on-line.

**The forms are available from representatives as well as the tags.**

The fax number is 877-258-4535. THIS IS A NEW FAX NUMBER.

**An approved Merial Certification is the only certificate accepted, not hand written or in-completed enrollment form. A certification from Merial (fax) or off the web site will be accepted.**

**For more details or questions contact: 1-888-637-4251 option 4  
(Rachael Schumaker- Merial 309-826-3919)**