

BVDFree Scheme - how it works

1. Register for the scheme by completing a BVDFree registration form. By signing the form you agree:
 - To **actively engage in BVD control** in order to eliminate the disease from my herd
 - To **report all BVD testing results** from my herd to the national database
 - To allow herd status and/or individual animal **statuses to be openly accessible** through the BVDFree database (without any specific details of farm name or keeper shown).
 - **Not to move Persistently Infected (PI) animals** other than directly to slaughter (or through a dedicated red slaughter market)'
2. Work with your vet using the four step process 'ADAM' to identify the best approach to take on your farm to achieve BVD control:
 - **A**ssess the level of biosecurity and disease risk on the farm
 - **D**efine the BVD status of the herd
 - **A**ction plan for control of BVD on farm put in place
 - **M**onitor progress with an annual status check
3. Testing for BVD, either for virus (antigen) or antibodies to the virus, will help you identify the BVD status of herd/individual. All test results from samples - blood/tissue/milk - get uploaded onto the BVDFree national database
4. To check animal and herd BVD status, start by accessing the website www.bvdfree.org.uk then
 - enter the tag number for an animal to show the result (negative/not negative) for that animal
 - enter the CPH number to show the result for that herd (NOTE until sufficient testing has been performed for a herd, a negative status will only be displayed for those herds that are CHeCS accredited)



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