

Official ID Requirements for California Cattle

For cattle sold within California only (3 CCR §831.5). If exporting cattle from California, requirements may vary based on the destination state.



All breeds of bulls 18 months of age and older & non-virgin bulls under 18 months of age prior to changing ownership



All breeds of cattle of any age that are used for show, exhibition, rodeo, or recreation



All dairy breed and dairy crossbreed cattle of any age or purpose including beef cattle born to dairy



All breeds of cattle receiving an official vaccination or testing (i.e. Brucellosis vaccination, Tuberculosis or Trichomonosis testing)

Questions? Contact your local Animal Health District Office.



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(530) 225-2140

Modesto District
(209) 491-9350

Tulare District
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Ontario District
(909) 947-5932



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