Bovine Tuberculosis



Biosecurity Guidance for Service Providers

In general, there is little to no risk for the spread of bovine tuberculosis (TB) by driving through non-animal holding areas of a farm. Companies with drivers who provide services or materials for a farm should always practice proper biosecurity when moving from one farm to the next to prevent the spread of disease. Types of services or materials on a farm may include the following:

- Feed delivery
- Milk hauling
- Waste removal

- Fertilizer
- Breeders
- Veterinary care

- Livestock haulers
 - Rendering

At a minimum, biosecurity includes:

- Avoiding manure and animal areas when possible
- Using disposable boot covers, or cleaning footwear
- Washing hands before leaving a premises

All farms should have basic biosecurity protocols to minimize the risk of disease transmission onto the farm. Basic biosecurity information is available at https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/BasicBiosecurity.aspx.

How to Protect Yourself

You can protect yourself from getting bovine TB through the following methods:

- Do not consume unpasteurized (raw) milk and milk products.
- Do not come into close contact with bovine TB-infected animals or people.

If you have concerns about your health, contact your doctor or county health department who can help determine any medical treatment you should seek.

More Information

For more information, contact the public information officer for the Division of Animal Health:

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