

4. Other BVD test(s)

(any BVD test which does not form part of mandatory annual screening)

(a) antigen/virus

(b) antibody

Declaration by Keeper

1. These samples are intended to constitute a mandatory annual screening test for BVD for my herd.

2. Where these samples are submitted for check testing, I confirm that I have discussed the management groups with my vet, and that I have presented the appropriate number of eligible young stock from each separately managed group.

Signature:

Date:

Please tick this box if you **do not** give permission for samples and information you submit to be shared with Scottish Government-appointed research providers to support BVD eradication.

Declaration by Veterinary Surgeon

1. These samples are being submitted in accordance with the Scottish BVD eradication scheme after discussion with the cattle keeper. I have included laboratory references for other relevant reports; AND

2. Where samples have been submitted for check testing, I understand that a "separately managed group" as defined by the BVD (Scotland) Order 2013 is "...within a breeding herd, any bovine animals that, for a period of two months or more, graze or are housed together (a) separately from other animals in the herd; and (b) in sufficient proximity to each other to allow BVDV to circulate amongst them"; AND

3. I have been provided with evidence that the animals presented for sampling are representative of the separately managed groups as defined in paragraph 2.

NB. When dealing with larger management groups, sampling a larger number of eligibly-aged animals will represent the herd status more reliably, e.g. for management groups larger than 50 animals, it is recommended that 10% should be sampled.

Signature:

Date:

Name:

FOR LABORATORY USE: Lab Ref No:			
Date of receipt:	No of samples	Reported:	Invoiced:
Initials:	Checked:	Vet:	Databased:

Please be aware that it is a legal requirement for laboratories to inform the keeper of the test results.

CHECK TEST SUBMISSION FORM:

Please copy this page of the form for each management group as necessary.

(a) Take samples of blood from not less than five calves in the age range 9 to 18 months in each separately managed group. If there are fewer than five calves in a group, then test all calves in the group.

(b) If animals of 9-18 months are not available, samples can be taken from calves of 6-18 months, although maternal antibodies may still be present. When testing calves of 6-18 months, 10 animals in each separately managed group must be sampled.

(c) Where there are less than 10 calves 6-18 months, not less than 5 homebred animals over 18 months of age per separately managed group can be used for the check test however, animals that have been born into the herd since achieving BVD-free status should be tested to avoid detecting antibodies from historic exposure.

(d) Shetland only- take samples from 5 calves in the age range 6-18 months in each separately managed group.

(e) Dairy herds that calve all year round: take samples of blood from at least 10 animals aged 9-18 months from each separately managed group. The test must be carried out twice a year. The interval between tests must not be more than 7 months. The use of two check tests per year helps to ensure that the year-round calving herd is surveyed properly.

How many breeding cows are on the farm?

How many calving periods does the farm have each year?

How many separately managed groups of stock in the age range 9 to 18 months or 6 to 9 months are present on the farm, according to the cattle keeper?

CHECK TEST				
Official ID (UK 12 digit ID must be used)	Tube Number	Laboratory Reference	BVD Ab	BVD virus
If 6-18 months OR if a dairy check test, 5 further samples required:				

