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SHIPPING PROCESS

DECLARATION

This document is intended for producers to record their Standard Operating Procedure for shipping animals when a change of ownership or management is taking place. Signing this document annually replaces the need for producers to record each individual check every time they have a shipping event, particularly when using digital herd management programs that do not enable this function.

OPERATION NAME	Example Ranch
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DESCRIPTION OF SHIPPING PROCESS

TYPE OF CHECK	PROCESS FOR VALIDATION (INCLUDE RECORDS CHECKED)
FIT FOR TRANSPORT	Visually inspected all cattle while sorting into the pen where they will stay before shipping. Re-check before loading onto truck. Any that are unit stay home.
TRANSFER OF CARE SENT	Fill out VBP+ Transfer of Care template prior to shipping and take it on truck to be delivered to next owner. Keep on file for two years.
PHYSICAL HAZARD CHECK: SUSPECTED BROKEN NEEDLES/ FOREIGN OBJECTS	Broken needles entered into data management system as a treatment with a 99-year withdrawal. Withdrawal report checked prior to shipping. Any broken needles - kept for own use.
ANIMAL HEALTH PRODUCTS: INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP TREATMENTS	Pull a withdrawal report on all animals in shipment, which integrates both group and individual treatments.
MEDICATED FEED/WATER	All medicated feed is entered into data management system with withdrawal. Pull a withdrawal report on all animals in shipment before shipping.
HERBICIDES/PESTICIDES	Enter all herbicide and pesticide applications into data management program. Check the records for application times before moving cattle and before shipping.
INFORMATION ABOUT HAZARDS FOUND SENT TO NEW OWNER	Any withdrawal issues found in records recorded on a single document which is given to the next owner by the trucker.

By signing this document, I declare that my beef cattle operation follows this process prior to shipping cattle for a change in ownership or management.

PRODUCER SIGNATURE	John Smith	DATE SIGNED	January 1, 2024
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