

Colorado Canadian Feeder Cattle Import Policy

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1. Receiving Feedlots shall have an official premises ID prior to receiving Canadian feeder cattle. Official PINs may be obtained by visiting www.coanimalid.org.
2. Age –Feeder cattle must be younger than 30 months of age by the intended feeding period less two weeks. Example: Intended feeding period 5 months (150 days) then cattle age at crossing must not be more than $24\frac{1}{2}$ months of age
3. Identification – Feeder cattle must all have Canadian RFID or Barcode ear tags. All tag numbers must be forwarded to the Colorado State Veterinarian's Office. All feeder cattle must be properly hot branded with the CAN. Any "hair brands" will not be accepted.
4. Feeder cattle ID shall be recorded with the feedlot's premises. Permit – A Colorado import permit will be required
5. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Certificate) will be required with all individual animals ID recorded on the health certificate and the age of the oldest animal.
6. Feeder Cattle Procedures
 - a. Cattle arriving at a designated feedlot – The truck will arrive sealed, which must be broken by an accredited veterinarian, state/federal animal health official or an accredited veterinarian's designee. A head count, health certificate and seal (number) shall be part of the record of the cattle's arrival.
 - b. Cattle processing after arrival at a designated feedlot- the Brand board will assist in reading IDs,

which will include bar code, RFID and visual tags.
Cattle with barcode or visual will be tagged

7. Feeder cattle ID shall be recorded with the feedlot's premises. Permit – A Colorado import permit will be required with RFID tags. All existing ID must not be removed.
 - a. Dead and downer cattle whether arrival or during the feeding period shall be reported to CDA including all animal ID, breed, sex and color. The designated feedlot is also required to maintain the Identifiers and similar records at the feedlot.
 - b. Shipping to slaughter – Only Canadian cattle may be put on a load.

8. Finished Cattle- shall not exceed 30 month of age and the animal ID shall be recorded and retired at slaughter.