

NOVA SCOTIA CROP AND LIVESTOCK INSURANCE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CLAIM FORM
DAIRY LIVESTOCK DISEASE INSURANCE PLAN

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Name of Insured \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

- 1. This claim is being made for (a) DEATH (b) LOSS OF INCOME BENEFIT
2. Was the animal destroyed? Yes No
3. Was the animal sold? Yes No
4. Was there salvage value? Yes No Amount received \$ (submit invoices)
5. Permission is hereby granted, where a claim is being made under the Loss of Income Benefit, to verify with Dairy where milk and/or cream is sold: (Name of Dairy)

6. Please state below, the class of livestock claimed and the number of animals lost in each class:

Table with 4 columns: Livestock Class, Check (✓), Number, Animal ID #. Rows include Cows - bred heifers (over 12 mths), Open Heifers (6-11 mths), and Calves.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

Signature of Insured

PLEASE HAVE ATTENDING VETERINARIAN COMPLETE BELOW

- (a) I hereby certify that I have treated the animal(s) stated above, and in my opinion, the cause of loss or death was attributed to the following disease(s)
(b) I have examined, treated, the said animal(s) on the following dates for the disease(s) described above:
(c) Was carcass submitted to the Laboratory? Where tissues and/or serum forwarded to the Laboratory in Truro?

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

Signature of Attending Practitioner

Note: Please see reverse for Veterinarian Procedures

\* Please complete this form and submit within 72 hours of a loss from disease. Do not wait for Pathology Lab results before submitting this notice.

## VETERINARIAN PROCEDURES REQUIRED RE: DAIRY CLAIMS

In consultation with the Large Animal Committee, N.S. Veterinary Medical Association and the staff of the Veterinary Pathology Laboratory, Practitioners are requested to follow the procedures as outlined below.

### A. GENERAL

1. All carcasses or tissue submitted to the Veterinary Pathology Laboratory, Truro must be accompanied by a regular submission of specimens form. Please indicate that it is a Livestock Insurance case and provide a brief history. The first three (3) animals to die will be necropsied. If more than three animals die, the Practitioner should contact the Commission to discuss further post-mortems.
2. The livestock owner must submit to the N.S. Crop & Livestock Insurance Commission a properly completed "Notice of Claim form", signed by the attending Practitioner (see reverse side).
3. Insurable Dairy Livestock Diseases are:
  - (a) Reportable
  - (b) Pasteurella Pneumonia (Shipping Fever)
  - (c) Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (Respiratory form), I.B.R.

### B. PROCEDURES OUTLINE

1. The importance of a clear history of the disease outbreak and a thorough clinical examination of affected animals by the Practitioner cannot be over emphasized.
2. Dead animals must be necropsied. The carcass can be sent to the Veterinary Pathology Laboratory, Truro, or necropsied by the Practitioner. Formalin Fixed trachea and lung\* must be submitted to the Laboratory from each carcass. For microbiological examination, two packages each of trachea and lung should be submitted from each carcass. Fresh tissue must be sent separately in whirl-pak or similar containers with cold pack refrigeration. Bacteriology and virology should each be requested on the back of the submission form.
3. For a histological diagnosis of pasteurella, lung lesions should be compatible with those described for pneumonia from which p. hemolytica or p. multocida are normally isolated and would prefer to isolate one of these organisms from the lung sample submitted.
4. To confirm the presence of the respiratory form of I.B.R., acute blood samples should be drawn from 4-6 representative animals. These samples, properly identified, can be forwarded to the Veterinary Pathology Laboratory, Truro or serum harvested and stored frozen by the Practitioner. If necessary, convalescent samples can be collected from the same animals for I.B.R. serology.
5. Animals that will not recover must not be disposed of or euthanized unless the attending Practitioner has received permission from the Commission office, Truro. Please call 893-6370 or 1-800-565-6371.
6. In order to be considered for a claim, animals that are sick during an outbreak of Pasteurella pneumonia or respiratory I.B.R., but do not die, must be euthanized or shipped for slaughter within sixty (60) days of the Practitioner's first visit to the farm for this disease outbreak. If animals are sent to an inspected plant for slaughter, or some other facility, the Practitioner must make arrangements for the submission of required specimens.

\* Fresh tissue for culture can be refrigerated in whirl-pak containers (not frozen) over a week-end and then submitted to the Laboratory in Truro, N.S.