



**Reactors have been identified in your herd.**

## **What next?**

**Movements of animals on or off your farm are immediately restricted.**

### **Isolate reactors immediately**

- Do not medicate animals unless given veterinary advice.
- Milk dairy cow reactors last as a group, discard their milk and keep a record of how much you discard.
- Do not feed milk from reactors to calves.
- Do not drink unpasteurised milk.

### **Department visit to the farm**

- A disease investigation will be completed.
- Reactors may be blood tested.
- Additional animals may be blood tested.
- Tell the Department about any wildlife activity on your farm.
- Notify the Department of badger setts on your farm. Please see the Badger Activity App at [www.bovinetb.ie](http://www.bovinetb.ie)

### **Compensation**



- You are eligible for compensation to the value your animals would be expected to make if sold on the open market on the date of their valuation.
- You may also be eligible for additional support payments such as income supplement, hardship grant and depopulation.

### **Live Valuation**

- You must choose a valuer from a list of approved independent valuers. This will be provided to you by the Department.
- An appeal of the valuation can be requested by you or the Department. The appellant chooses the second valuer.
- If you accept the valuation you must sign and return the relevant form.

### **Removal**

- Removal of reactors should take place as soon as possible after valuation.
- A Department appointed haulier will contact you. The Department will pay for the cost of the haulage.

### **Movement of animals**

- Herd restrictions last for a minimum of 120 days after the last reactor leaves the farm.
- You can move clear animals from a restricted holding direct to slaughter.
- Movements to controlled finishing units may be allowed under permit from your RVO
- Purchase in and movements for contract rearing may be facilitated.



### **Disinfecting**

- Thoroughly clean and disinfect, as directed by the Department, to reduce the risk of spreading the disease. Use TB approved disinfectants.
- Payment of compensation is dependent on the completion of cleansing and disinfection.

### **Derestriction**

- Two consecutive clear tests are required at 60-day intervals following removal of the last reactor.
- Cleansing and disinfection must be completed and will be checked by the Department.

### **High risk breakdown**

- Herds with 2 or more TB infected animals over the course of the restriction may be classed as high risk and may have to do extra tests after derestriction.

**Further information on all the above is available in the attached FAQ's and Compensation Booklet**