**Section 75.15 Permits to Conduct Official Brucellosis Tests**

a) A permit to operate a laboratory to conduct blood serum agglutination tests for brucellosis will be issued when the applicant has:

1) Completed a Department permit application and returned it to the Department.

2) Received oral instruction on testing procedures from Department personnel.

3) Completed a check test conducted at a Department-approved laboratory of 100 bovine brucellosis serum samples, with a score of at least 90% accuracy.

b) Retesting of the person permitted to operate a laboratory to conduct brucellosis tests will occur when tests performed by the permittee fail to disclose three or more reactors as determined by confirmation tests at a Department-approved laboratory.

c) The Department may suspend or revoke a permit to operate a laboratory when the permittee does the following:

1) Fails to follow the instructions provided by the Department regarding testing procedures and required testing equipment.

2) Fails to maintain the laboratory and laboratory equipment in a clean and sanitary condition.

3) Fails to keep all required reagents, forms and testing supplies under the control of the permittee at all times.

4) Fails to submit testing records and blood serum samples to the Department as prescribed for confirmatory testing.

5) Fails retesting as provided for in subsection (b).

(Source: Amended at 36 Ill. Reg. 13591, effective September 1, 2012)