

# ABOUT THE TBFREE PROGRAMME

OSPRI's TBfree programme aims to eradicate bovine tuberculosis (TB) from New Zealand.

## TO ERADICATE TB FROM NEW ZEALAND, OUR GOALS ARE TO:

- Have TB freedom from cattle and deer herds by 2026.
- Have TB freedom from possums by 2040.
- Have biological eradication of TB by 2055.

Controlling TB requires three key tools that work together to control and eradicate TB.

**Pest management:** a mix of ground and aerial operations to reduce pest numbers which carry and spread TB to farmed animals.

**Disease control:** a TB testing programme to identify infected herds.

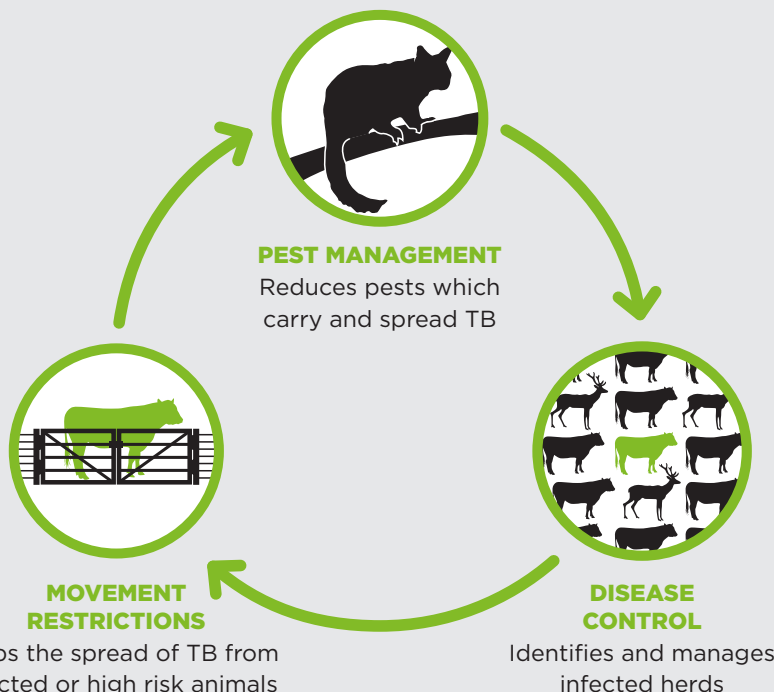
**Movement restrictions:** restricts the movements of infected animals and those in high risk areas to stop the spread of TB.

## HOW TBFREE BENEFITS NEW ZEALAND

- Keeping business productive. Ensuring stock are disease free means that farmers can manage the impact on meat and dairy production, limit stock losses, and protect their incomes.

- Helping our exports remain competitive. New Zealand's TB status can affect which export markets are willing to buy our products.
- Protecting our native birds and bush. Pest management work not only stops pests from spreading TB, it stops them from endangering vulnerable native birds and bush.

## HOW WE CONTROL TB



# BE TB SMART

The simple steps for protecting your livelihood.

## 1. TB TESTING



How often you need to test depends on which area your farm is in. Only stock above a certain age need to be tested. This varies by species and area.

If you're in a movement control area, pre-movement testing is required within 60 days prior to the stock movement. You do not need to pre-movement test stock going directly to slaughter.



### **Movement control areas**

*Pre-movement testing and yearly testing*



### **Special testing areas**

*Yearly testing or two-yearly testing*



### **Surveillance areas**

*Three-yearly testing*

Find out which area you're in at [tbfree.co.nz/dcamap](http://tbfree.co.nz/dcamap)

## 2. ASD FORMS



Complete animal status declaration (ASD) forms for all movements of cattle and deer.

**Remember to record all your stock movements with NAIT.**



Keep ASD forms for the entire life of an animal or for one year after it leaves your property.

**Exception:** Bobby calves

## 3. PURCHASE WISELY



When purchasing animals, check the herd status and last TB test date on the animal status declaration (ASD) form.



Make sure you only buy or lease bulls that have been pre-movement tested. This is free under the TBfree programme's service bull testing scheme.