

Quarantine rules at visits from abroad

Protection against introduction of severe infectious diseases such as foot-and-mouth disease is crucial for preventing disease outbreaks with serious cost implications for Danish cattle farming.

The following three principal rules apply before entering a livestock area at arrival from abroad:

1. 24 hour quarantine from the time of crossing the Danish border until you may enter the livestock area.
2. Before entering the livestock area you must change your clothes and shoes and have showered.
3. Food products, hunting trophies and live animals brought from abroad may NOT be in the livestock area.

Exceptions from main rule no. 1:

At arrival from LOW RISK AREAS

- 12 hour quarantine from the time of crossing the Danish border until you may enter the livestock area.
- If the livestock owner has thorough knowledge of the visitors, there is a 12 hour quarantine from the time of leaving a foreign herd until you may enter the livestock area.

At arrival from HIGH RISK AREAS

- If the livestock owner has thorough knowledge of the visitors, there is a 24 hour quarantine from the time of leaving a foreign herd until you may enter the livestock area.

At arrival from abroad WITHOUT having been in contact with cloven-hoofed animals

- No quarantine if you have thorough knowledge of the persons in question.

Figure 1. Summary of the quarantine rules.

Risk area \ Knowledge	Not thorough	Thorough*
	High	24 hours in DK
Low	12 hours in DK	12 hours from herd to herd

*Family members, employees, veterinarians and advisors.

High/low risk areas

High risk areas at present include all countries outside the EU as well as Greece, Italy, Poland, Estonia, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania.

Find an updated list here:
www.vsp.lf.dk/DANISH/DANISH%20Transportstandard/Risikoomraader.aspx

Desinfection of tools

All tools must be cleaned and disinfected before entering the cowshed. The same quarantine rules apply for tools as for people.



List of visitors

All visitors from abroad must be registered at the cowshed and with their signature confirm that they have complied with the rules.