

# TB Isolation Units (TBIU) in England

**TBIUs** provide an outlet for calves or store cattle from TB-restricted holdings lacking the facilities for rearing.

- TBIUs can be approved in the **High Risk Area (HRA)** and **Edge Area**, and in exceptional circumstances in the **Low Risk Area (LRA)**
- TBIU operators can only source cattle from a **single TB-restricted holding** and are given a **limited** period (6 weeks) to fill the unit
- Cattle moving to a TBIU must have **completed a skin test** with a **negative result** within **30 days** before being moved
- Once in the unit cattle must have **at least two consecutive negative skin tests** at **severe interpretation** in order to regain officially TB free (OTF) status
- **Prescribed biosecurity measures** must be in place to protect local cattle herds and wildlife from the risk of spread of TB from the TBIU

## Where can I find out more information?

An application form and the full terms and conditions for approval and operation of an TBIU can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/approved-tb-isolation-unit-application>

Further information is also available at [TB Hub](#)

## Who should I speak to?

If you are considering applying for a TBIU licence, please contact APHA on

 **03000 200 301**

or email [TB.Advice@apha.gov.uk](mailto:TB.Advice@apha.gov.uk)

