Peer Review for OCQ(V) - TTr (Tuberculin Testing revalidation)

Those undertaking Tuberculin Testing revalidation must have had either a successful APHA or VDP audit OR a Peer Review in the last four years.

Candidates can nominate a colleague to act as their Peer Reviewer via their Personal Training Dashboard.

A Peer Reviewer must:

- hold the OCQ(V) - TT;
- be an experienced Official Veterinarian (OV) and TB tester; and
- be a Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (MRCVS).

Nominated Peer Reviewers will receive an email from Improve International with a link to a short online course explaining the review process. They must study this course before conducting the Peer Review. It is therefore advisable that a candidate makes arrangements in good time, in order to allow their colleague to look through the course and ensure they are fully prepared.

The responsibilities of the Peer Reviewer are as follows:

1. To directly observe the revalidating OV TB testing a minimum of 20 (twenty) cattle to the defined standard. These can all be observed at the same test or over a number of tests if the OV only tests small numbers of animals. There will be a Peer Review pro forma and guidance notes provided as part of the Peer Review course, which should be used for this process, along with reference to training materials and OV Instructions pertaining to the correct performance of the SICCT test.

2. To certify the following observations:

   I certify that;

   I have directly observed my colleague TB testing a minimum of 20 (twenty) cattle on the date/s given below and they have demonstrated adherence to the testing process as defined in the OV Instructions for the SICCT test.

   I have completed the Peer Review pro forma and this has been uploaded by xxxxxx into their TT Case Log area on their Personal Training Dashboard.

The following steps must be completed after the Peer Reviewer has finished the short online course:

1. The candidate and the Peer Reviewer must arrange the time(s) and test(s) at which to complete the Peer Review. The review can be on Day 1 or Day 2 of the test(s) or on both days.

2. The Peer Review must be completed, using the provided pro forma and guidance notes.

3. When the review is complete, the Peer Reviewer must leave their signature to certify their observations by following the link in the email they received at the time of their nomination.

4. The candidate must upload the completed pro forma to their Personal Training Dashboard, along with their scenario exercises/case logs.