

Non-Ambulatory Disabled Cattle Inspection Procedures

Non-Ambulatory Disabled Cattle: Cattle that cannot rise from a recumbent position or that cannot walk, including, but not limited to, those with broken appendages, severed tendons or ligaments, nerve paralysis, fractured vertebral column or metabolic conditions. (9 CFR 309.3(b) and FSIS Directive 6900.1)

Ante-mortem disposition of all non-ambulatory disabled cattle is to be performed by a Veterinary Medical Officer (VMO).

Animals determined by the VMO to be non-ambulatory disabled are to be U.S. Condemned according to 9 CFR 309.2(b).

Condemned cattle are to be disposed of according to 9 CFR 309.13, 314.3 and 314.7.