

DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK

BOARD OF LIVESTOCK

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Central Services Division

Milk Control Bureau

(staff provided for Board of Milk Control)

- Milk Market Administration:
 - Monthly Announcement of Minimum Prices (by class of utilization)
 - Monthly Pooling
 - Auditing of Pooling
 - Quota Records
 - Trade Practices
- Receive, deposit, track assessments
 - Administrative Assessment (to administer and enforce Milk Control Act)
 - Assessment for dairy/plant inspection and milk diagnostic laboratory function (coded as Milk & Egg Bureau revenue when deposited). Deposited by Milk Control Bureau per ARM 32.23.102(1)
- Data gathering to support Board of Milk Control decision-making
- Determination of funding needs, budget requests, administrative assessment rate requests for milk market administration

Milk & Egg Bureau

- Food Safety & Quality:
 - Dairy Inspection
 - Plant Inspection
 - Raw & finished product testing
 - Enforcement of ban on sale of raw milk
 - 12-day sell-by rule
- Technical support to industry for regulatory compliance
- Determination of funding needs, budget requests, rate requests to fund dairy/plant inspection and milk diagnostic laboratory function

BOARD OF MILK CONTROL*

*Board of Milk Control Notes

- Quasi-Judicial Board allocated to Dept. of Livestock for administrative purposes only.
- Exercises functions independently, without approval or control of Dept. of Livestock.
- Five members - appointed by governor to four-year terms
 - Members may not be connected in any way to production, processing, distribution, or sale of milk or dairy products
 - Members may not hold elective or appointive public office 2 years prior to appointment or during term on board
 - No more than three may be of the same political party
 - At least one member must be an attorney licensed to practice in Montana
 - Governor designates presiding officer
 - Majority of members serve terms concurrent with term of governor
 - Appointment subject to confirmation by Montana Senate
 - Members may be removed by governor only for cause
- Majority of membership constitutes a quorum
- Majority vote required to adopt board actions

