

2016 General Rules and Health Regulations for Livestock

2016 Equine Regulations:

In State Equine Animals:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2016.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. All equine animals must be test negative for EIA by an official test within the 12 months prior to the opening date of the exhibition. Laboratory test results must accompany each animal to its final destination (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable). The CVI shall specify the date of sample collection, date of results, and results of the EIA test, along with the accession number and the name of the testing laboratory. Foals less than six months of age accompanied by a test negative dam are exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal to its final destination.
4. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is recommended for animals 3 months of age and older.

Out of State Equine Animals

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation is required.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): (applies to states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months). An accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. All equine animals must be test negative for EIA by an official test within the 12 months prior to the date of importation. Laboratory test results must accompany each animal to its final destination (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable). The CVI shall specify the date of sample collection, date of results, and results of the EIA test, along with the accession number and the name of the testing laboratory. Foals less than

six months of age accompanied by a test negative dam are exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal to its final destination.

5. If an equine animal has resided in a state in which Piroplasmiasis has been identified within the past six months for a cumulative total of 30 days or more within the six months preceding the date of entry into the Commonwealth, that animal must be test-negative for Piroplasmiasis on a competitive enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (c-ELISA) test, or a Department-approved equivalent test, with the test occurring within the 30 days preceding entry into Pennsylvania. The date of test and the test results shall be written on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

6. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals three months of age and older. However, if a mare was currently vaccinated against rabies when she foaled, the foal is not required to be vaccinated until six months of age, with a second vaccination administered two to four weeks later. All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated equine animals must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. The certificate must contain legible name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the original rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.

2016 Dairy and Beef Cattle Regulations:

2016 Cattle Health Regulations

In State Dairy & Beef Cattle:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2016.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. Individual official animal identification. Official ID will have a US shield and includes:
 - A USDA-issued National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) tag; or
 - A 15-digit Animal Identification Number eartag starting with "840" (including RFID) or
 - Other official identification approved by USDA. (Brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable).

4. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (market cattle are exempt from this vaccination requirement). All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated cattle must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain legible name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable. (*market cattle are exempt*)

Out of State Dairy & Beef Cattle:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation is required.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): (applies to states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months). An accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID will have a US shield and includes:
 - A USDA-issued National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) tag; or
 - A 15-digit Animal Identification Number starting with "840" eartag (including RFID) or
 - Other official identification approved by USDA. (Brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable).
5. Testing: Tuberculosis Requirements:
 - No test is required for animals originating from "Accredited Free" states or zones.
 - All exhibition animals originating from states or zones designated "Modified Accredited Advanced" must be test negative within the 60 days prior to the date

of importation. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original report is acceptable).

All animals originating from states or zones designated “Modified Accredited” must originate from herds in which all animals 12 months of age and older are test negative within the 12 months prior to the date of importation; and the individual animals to be imported (all ages) are test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation and at least 60 days after the negative whole herd test. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original test report is acceptable).

Rodeo (or other recreational) animals of all ages must be negative on an official Tuberculosis test within the 60 days prior to entry, unless they originate from and are members of an Accredited Tuberculosis-free Herd. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original test report is acceptable).

6. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (market cattle are exempt from this vaccination requirement). All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated cattle must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain legible name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian’s signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.

2016 Sheep Regulations:

In State Sheep:

A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2016.

2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.

3. Individual official USDA scrapie animal identification is required for all sheep.

Official scrapie ID includes:

A USDA ear tag with a US shield ; or

A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database; or

Sheep having a breed registration tattoo and accompanied by a registration certificate are exempt from the scrapie ID requirement if the tattoo is legible and a registration certificate (copy acceptable) or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection which lists the tattoo and registry accompanies the animal at all times during transport from the premises of birth.

4. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (market sheep are exempt from this vaccination requirement). All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated sheep must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain legible name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the 15 of 16 PA Dept. of Agriculture veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable

Out of State Sheep:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 60 days prior to entry into PA is required.

2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): (applies to states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months). An accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."

3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.

4. Individual official USDA scrapie animal identification is required. Official scrapie ID includes:

A USDA ear tag with a US shield ;or

A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database; or

Sheep having a breed registration tattoo and accompanied by a registration certificate are exempt from the scrapie ID requirement if the tattoo is legible and a registration certificate (copy acceptable) or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection which lists the tattoo and registry accompanies the animal at all times during transport from the premises of birth.

5. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (market sheep are exempt from this vaccination requirement). All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated sheep must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain legible name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.

2016 Swine Regulations

In State Swine

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2016.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. Individual animal ID is required. ID options include the following:
 - A form of official ID, including:
 - A registration certificate in *combination with* an ear notch; or
 - A USDA-issued metal ear tag; or
 - An ISO-compliant 15-digit eartag (including RFID).
 - or
 - A plastic stamped ear tag (market hogs only).

Out of State Swine:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation is required. The CVI shall include a statement verifying that the swine have not been fed raw garbage.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): (applies to states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months). An accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.

4. Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID includes:
- A registration certificate *in combination with* an ear notch; or
 - A USDA-issued metal ear tag with a US shield ; or
 - An ISO-compliant 15-digit eartag starting with “840” (including RFID).
5. Brucellosis Testing Requirements:
- No brucellosis test is required if the animal originates from a Validated Brucellosis-free Herd. If from a Validated Herd, the herd number and date of last test must be included on the CVI.

 - If not originating from a Validated Herd, out of state swine must be negative to an official brucellosis test within the 30 days prior to the date of importation, and the negative results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative laboratory test report (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable).
6. Pseudorabies Testing Requirements:
- No pseudorabies test is required if the animal originates from a Qualified Pseudorabies-negative Herd. A Qualified Pseudorabies-negative Herd shall not be construed to mean every swine herd from a Stage V state, but only those herds in compliance with individual herd testing plans. If from a Qualified Herd, the herd number and date of last test must be included on the CVI.

 - If not originating from a Qualified Herd, out of state swine must be negative to an official pseudorabies test within the 30 days prior to the date of importation, and the negative results and date of test must be included on CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative laboratory test report (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable).

2016 Goat Regulations

In State Goats:

1. Individual official animal identification is required for all goats. Official ID includes:
- A USDA ear tag with a US shield ; or
 - A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database;or
 - Goats having a breed registration tattoo and accompanied by a registration certificate are exempt from the scrapie ID requirement if the tattoo is legible and a registration certificate (copy acceptable) or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection which lists the tattoo and registry accompanies the animal at all times during transport from the premises of birth.

2. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2015.
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.

Out of State Goats:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): (applies to states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months). An accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Individual official animal identification is required for all goats. Official ID includes:
 - A USDA ear tag with a US shield ; or
 - A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database; or
 - Goats having a breed registration tattoo and accompanied by a registration certificate are exempt from the scrapie ID requirement if the tattoo is legible and a registration certificate (copy acceptable) or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection which lists the tattoo and registry accompanies the animal at all times during transport from the premises of birth.
5. Testing requirements: Tuberculosis:
 - No test is required for animals originating from "Accredited Free" states or zones.
 - All animals originating from states or zones designated "Modified Accredited Advanced" must be test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original report is acceptable).
 - All animals originating from states or zones designated "Modified Accredited"

must originate from herds in which all animals 12 months of age and older have tested negative within the 12 months prior to the date of importation; and the individual animals (all ages) to be imported have also tested negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation and at least 60 days after the negative whole herd test was completed. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original test report is acceptable).

2016 Rabbit Regulations:

In State Rabbits:

1. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases.
2. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) statement for the animals being exhibited must be included on the fair registration form.

Out of State Rabbits:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 60 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition is required.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI (the statement is pre-printed on the CVI).

2016 Poultry, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, and Pigeons/doves Requirements:

In State

1. All Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons/doves entering an exhibition must bear a unique individual identification leg band (official state-issued leg bands are required for pullorum-tested poultry). Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).
2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons/doves, and must include the following:
 - Name and location of exhibition; and
 - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
 - A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of

contagious diseases; and

Owner signature and date of that signature.

3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinary Consultation Relationship statement for the animals being exhibited must be included on the fair registration form.

4. Poultry owners or caretakers should register the premises where their flocks are located with the Department. Call 717-836-3235 for premises registration.

5. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian).

All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites, (*pigeons/doves excluded*) for exhibition must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP AI Clean program or the NPIP H5/H7 AI Clean program (the flock must be participating in the program-it is not considered to be a clean flock if only originating from a clean breeder flock or hatchery), and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. The NPIP flock number must be noted on the report;

OR

The birds must originate from a flock in which a random, representative sample of a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested for avian influenza within the 30 days prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. *For ducks and geese, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs may be tested using virus isolation (ducks and geese) or PCR (domestic ducks only) techniques.* Birds shall not be comingled with untested or AI-positive birds after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

6. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian).

All poultry, including upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*) must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Program (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) or from a flock in good standing in the PA Pullorum Equivalent Program and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent 9-2 or state equivalent form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If birds are less than one year of age and originate

from an NPIP Clean hatchery, they do not have to be tested for pullorum if they are accompanied by a 9-3 form from that hatchery and any additions to the flock were also from NPIP Clean sources. The NPIP number must be noted on the report for NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks;

OR

All individual birds (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition (maximum of 300) must have had a pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report or state equivalent form for the rapid test (copies acceptable). Test results must be negative. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:

Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.

Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.

Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.

Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.

All birds not meeting these age restrictions at the time of sampling are exempt from pullorum testing requirements.

Out of State

1. All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons/doves entering an exhibition must bear an individual identification leg band (official state-issued leg bands are required for pullorum-tested poultry). Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).

2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all out of state poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons/doves, and must include the following:

Name and location of exhibition; and

Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and

A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of contagious diseases; and

Owner signature and date of that signature.

3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinary Consultation Relationship statement for the animals being exhibited must be included on the fair registration form.

4. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian. Poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons/doves excluded*) shall only be allowed into the Commonwealth and the exhibition after meeting one of the following requirements:

The birds originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Avian Influenza Clean program (the flock must be participating in the NPIP AI Clean program or the NPIP H5/H7 AI Clean program (the flock must be participating in the program-it is not considered to be a clean flock if only originating from a clean breeder flock or hatchery) and the shipment is accompanied by a USDA form 9-3 or equivalent Department-approved form;

OR

The birds originate from a flock that participates in an equivalent avian influenza monitoring program and the shipment is accompanied by a document from the state, nation, or province of origin indicating participation;

OR

The birds originate from a flock in which a random, representative sample of a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza within the 30 days prior to the date of importation and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. *For ducks and geese, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs may be tested using virus isolation (ducks and geese) or PCR (domestic ducks only) techniques.* Birds shall not be comingled with untested or AI-positive birds after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian):

All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*) must come from NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks in good standing with the program (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) and the birds must be accompanied by a USDA form 9-3 or equivalent Department-approved form;

OR

All individual birds (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition (maximum of 300) must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the date of importation. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent 9-2 form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If birds are less than one year of age and originate from an NPIP Clean hatchery, they do not have to be tested for pullorum if they are accompanied by a 9-3 form from that hatchery and any additions to the flock were also from NPIP Clean sources. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:

Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.

Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.

Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.

Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.

All birds not meeting these age restrictions at the time of sampling must come from a flock in which all of the eligible birds in the flock (up to 300) have been test negative within the 90 days prior to the date of importation.