

SUBCHAPTER D—EXPORTATION AND IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS (INCLUDING POULTRY) AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS

PART 91—INSPECTION AND HANDLING OF LIVESTOCK FOR EXPORTATION

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§91.1 Definitions.

Whenever in the regulations in this part the following terms are used, they shall be construed as follows:

Accredited veterinarian. A veterinarian approved by the Administrator in accordance with the provisions of part 161 of this title to perform functions specified in parts 1, 2, 3, and 11 of subchapter A, and subchapters B, C, and D of this chapter, and to perform functions required by cooperative State-Federal disease control and eradication programs.

Administrator. The Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, or any person authorized to act for the Administrator.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the United States Department of Agriculture (APHIS or Service).

Animals. Horses, cattle (including American bison), captive cervids, sheep, swine, and goats.

APHIS representative. An individual employed by APHIS who is authorized to perform the function involved.

Department. The United States Department of Agriculture.

Horses. Horses, mules, and asses.

Inspector. An inspector of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

Miniature swine. Swine bred and raised as pets or for laboratory testing purposes that do not weigh more than 100 pounds at maturity.

Official brucellosis vaccinate. A female bovine animal vaccinated against brucellosis in accordance with the provisions prescribed in the Recommended brucellosis Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, chapter 1, part I-H, I, and J. The provisions of the Uniform Methods and Rules are hereby incorporated by reference.

Origin health certificate. An official document issued by an APHIS representative or an accredited veterinarian at the point of origin of a shipment of animals to be moved under this part, which shows the identification tag, tattoo, or registration number or similar identification of each animal to be moved, the number, breed, sex, and approximate age of the animals covered by the document, the date and place of issuance, the points of origin and destination, the consignor, and the consignee, and which states that the animal or animals identified on the certificate meet the export health requirements.

Premises of origin. The farm or other premises where the animals intended for export are being raised or assembled, or both, immediately before movement for export.

Roofing paper. Any saturated roofing paper of a grade known to the trade as 30-pound roofing paper.

State of origin. The State in which the premises of origin is located.

Veterinary Services. The Veterinary Services, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the Department.

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§91.2 Animals to be handled in compliance with regulations.

No animals covered by the regulations in this part shall be exported to a foreign country except in compliance with the provisions in this part.

§91.3 General export requirements.

(a) All animals intended for exportation to a foreign country, except animals intended for exportation by land to Mexico or Canada, shall be accompanied from the State of origin of the export movement to the port of embarkation by an origin health certificate. All animals intended for exportation by land to Mexico or Canada shall be accompanied from the State of origin of the export movement to the border of the United States by an origin health certificate. The origin health certificate shall certify that the animals were inspected within the 30 days prior to the date of the movement of

the animals for export, and were found to be healthy and free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto. The origin health certificate shall be endorsed by an authorized APHIS veterinarian in the State of origin, and shall include any test results added by such authorized APHIS veterinarian pursuant to §161.3(k) of this chapter (any added test results shall be initialed by such authorized APHIS veterinarian). The origin health certificate shall individually identify the animals in the shipment as to species, breed, sex, and age, and, if applicable, shall also show registration name and number, tattoo markings, or other natural or acquired markings. The origin health certificate shall include all test results, certifications, or other statements required by the foreign country of destination.

(b) *Inspection.* All animals in each export shipment, except animals intended for export by land to Mexico or Canada, shall have been inspected, tested, or treated in the manner prescribed in this part prior to the movement of the export shipment to the export inspection facility. All animals in each export shipment intended for export by land to Mexico or Canada shall have been inspected, tested, or treated in the manner prescribed in this part prior to the movement of the animals from the State of origin. The Administrator may, upon request of the appropriate animal health official of the country of destination, waive the tuberculosis and brucellosis tests referred to in §§91.5(a) and (b), 91.6(a)(1) and (2), and 91.9(a) of this part when he finds such tests are not necessary to prevent the exportation of diseased animals from the United States.

(c) *Testing.* All samples for tests required by §§91.5 through 91.13 for exportation of animals under this section shall be taken by an inspector or an accredited veterinarian in the State of origin of the export movement. Such samples shall be taken and tests made within the 30 days prior to the date of movement of the animals for export from the premises of origin, except that the Administrator may permit such sampling or tests to be made more than 30 days prior to the date of export, if required by the receiving country