

901:1-1-03

**Fencing, escapes, and movement requirements.**

**(A) Fencing.**

- (1) Facilities must have perimeter fencing of at least eight feet in height, with a variance of four per cent, which prevents ingress and egress of captive whitetail deer.
- (2) Any new perimeter fencing for existing facilities for captive whitetail deer herds must be inspected by department personnel.
- (3) Owners shall inspect the perimeter fence once a week to ensure that there is not a breach in the fencing which may allow the ingress or egress of any cervid animal. Owners shall maintain a record of this inspection in accordance with rule 901:1-1-06 of the Administrative Code.

**(B) Movement.**

- (1) Owners of captive whitetail deer shall, within seven days, submit a movement form to the department when the following occur:

  - (a) A captive whitetail deer is moved from the facility.
  - (b) A captive whitetail deer is moved into the facility.
- (2) Movement forms are available at the department's website [www.agri.ohio.gov](http://www.agri.ohio.gov). Owners must at a minimum include the following information on the movement form:

  - (a) The official and unique identification of the animals as required by rule 901:1-1-04 of the Administrative Code;
  - (b) The sex, date of birth, and the date the animal which was moved; and
  - (c) The name, address, and herd status of the shipping/receiving facility.
- (3) Failure to comply with this rule may result in the department issuing a quarantine order until all paperwork is complete.
- (4) No live animals may leave a hunting preserve or a monitored captive herd without receiving a special permit by the department.

**(C) Escapes and breach in fencing. Owners of captive whitetail deer shall immediately report to the department the following:**

(1) The discovery of an escaped or stolen deer.

(a) Owners shall report to the department:

(i) The official and unique identification as required by rule 901:1-1-04 of the Administrative Code.

(ii) The sex, date of birth, and the date the animal was acquired.

(b) In no case shall the owner of a captive whitetail deer return the animal to the facility more than twenty-four hours after discovery. Any animal which has been outside the facility for more than twenty-four hours must be dispatched and submitted for CWD testing.

(2) The breach of the perimeter fencing.

(a) Owners shall immediately take all necessary actions to prevent the ingress and egress of any cervid animal.

(b) Once the fencing has been repaired, owners shall contact the department to inspect the repaired perimeter fence.

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