

901:1-17-01                    **General requirements.**

- (A) Imported animals shall be healthy and free of symptoms of infectious or contagious diseases and violative residues. They shall not have been recently exposed to any infectious, contagious or parasitic diseases and shall not originate from a herd, flock or area under quarantine. Those animals affected with or exposed to such diseases which are approved for interstate shipment by United States department of agriculture, animal plant health inspection service, veterinary services or other diseases designated by the Ohio department of agriculture, may be imported with a permit from the chief, division of animal industry, department of agriculture. A condition of the permit may be a consignee letter of consent on file with the Ohio department of agriculture.
- (B) Nondomestic animals shall not be imported into Ohio without meeting the requirements set forth in rule 901:1-17-12 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) No domestic animal, or poultry, shall be imported into Ohio, except for immediate slaughter as provided for in rule 901:1-17-10 of the Administrative Code unless accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection, United States department of agriculture, national poultry improvement plan, veterinary service 9-3 form, and/or a permit. The certificate of veterinary inspection, United States department of agriculture, national poultry improvement plan, veterinary service 9-3 form, permit, or permit number shall be in the possession of the person in charge of the animal during movement.

A copy of a certificate of veterinary inspection must be forwarded to the "Chief, Division of Animal Industry, 8995 E. Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068."

The certificate shall be void thirty days after inspection and issuance unless specifically waived under the exhibition rules or extended time is granted by a permit from the chief of the division of animal industry.

- (D) No animal or animal product which is not in full compliance with all state and federal regulations governing its movement shall be imported.
- (E) When the purpose of importation is for a sale assembly the sale management will provide an approved veterinarian to do the following:
- (1) Examine the certificate of veterinary inspection of each animal brought to the sale;
  - (2) Inspect within a reasonable time of arrival each animal brought to the sale for symptoms of any infectious or contagious diseases;

- (3) Daily inspect each animal present at the sale for symptoms of infectious or contagious disease.
- (F) No person shall move or import any animal into Ohio unless that animal meets the requirements of this rule. Animals moved or imported in violation of rules 901:1-17-01 to ~~901:1-17-15~~~~901:1-17-12~~ of the Administrative Code shall be quarantined and be brought into compliance with the applicable requirements of these rules at the owner's expense. If the animals cannot or are not, for any reason, brought into compliance the director of agriculture may at his discretion order, at the owner's expense, the animal returned to the place of origin, delivered to slaughter, or destroyed.
- (G) When required in rules 901:1-17-01 to ~~901:1-17-15~~~~901:1-17-12~~ of the Administrative Code, applications for permits shall be made to the "Chief, Division of Animal Industry, 8995 E. Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068", telephone 614-728-6220. Such applications shall include the number and species of animals, identification numbers, the origin and date of shipments, consignee, the purpose of the importation, and shall include the age and sex. All animals entering Ohio under a permit are subject to quarantine and inspection on arrival at destination.

If at any time the conditions of a permit are violated by the holder and would endanger the health of other animals in the state of Ohio, the chief may suspend such permit and refuse to issue any future permit.

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