



# Swine Entry Requirements

## Entry Documentation

Pursuant to [3 CCR §796.4](#), [§796.5](#); [FAC 10781](#)

California requires an **Interstate Livestock Entry Permit** for **all** swine into the state.

### Exemptions:

- Swine moving directly to a state or federally approved slaughter facility

To obtain an **Interstate Livestock Entry Permit**, please contact **Animal Health Branch (AHB) permit line at (916) 900-5052** before moving swine into the state. Permits are valid for 15 days after being issued.

California requires a **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)** for **all** swine issued within 30 days before movement into the state.

### Exemptions:

- Swine moving directly to a state or federally approved slaughter facility

## Official Identification (ID)

Pursuant to [3 CCR §796.4—796.6](#); [FAC 10781](#)

California requires Official Identification (ID) on **all** swine moving into the state.

## Breeding and Show Swine

Breeding swine are sexually intact swine more than 6 months of age. Acceptable methods of official ID for breeding and show swine include:

- Official Eartags that conform to one of the following systems: National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES), Animal Identification Number (AIN), or Premises Identification Number (PIN)
- Ear notches or tattoos (ear or inner flank) if recorded in Purebred Registry Association Board with documentation attached to the CVI
- Eartags bearing the premises identification number assigned by the state combined with a unique number from the producer's identification system



**Animal Health Branch Permit Line:  
(916) 900-5052**

For California entry requirements of other livestock and animals, please visit the following:

[Information About Livestock and Pet Movement](#) or [Animal Health Entry Requirement Interactive Website](#)

## Feeder Swine

Feeder swine are swine less than 6 months of age being moved into the state for destinations other than direct to slaughter. Acceptable methods of official ID for feeder swine include:

- Official Eartags
- Ear notches or tattoos (ear or inner flank) if recorded in Purebred Registry Association Board with documentation attached to the CVI
- Eartags or tattoos bearing the premises identification number assigned by the state to the premises of origin

## Slaughter Swine

Acceptable methods of official ID for slaughter swine include:

- Official Eartags
- Eartags or tattoos bearing the premises identification number assigned by the state to the premises of origin
- Official swine (slap) tattoo that will be retained and visible on the carcass after slaughter
- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) backtags

## Companion/Pet Pot Bellied and Mini Pigs ONLY:

Acceptable methods for official ID for companion/pet swine include:

- 840 Electronic Implants or microchips that are ISO 11784/85 compliant



If you are transporting livestock into California with an electronic CVI, please print and present a hard copy to the Inspector at the Border Protection Station. This will prevent future follow up by CDFA personnel to verify the authenticity and accuracy of the document.

## Animal Health and Food Safety Services Animal Health Branch

Headquarters - (916) 900-5002  
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Modesto District - (209) 491-9350  
Tulare District - (559) 685-3500  
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For more information on the Animal Health Branch, please visit: [www.cdfa.ca.gov/ah](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ah)

