DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ANIMAL HEALTH BRANCH

PROPOSED REGULATIONS - PROPOSED TEXT

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CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
TITLE 3. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
DIVISION 2. ANIMAL INDUSTRY
CHAPTER 2. LIVESTOCK DISEASE CONTROL
Article 11. Emergency Control and Eradication of Animal
Diseases

Amend the heading of section 799 of Article 11, Chapter 2, Division 2, of Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

799. Vesicular Stomatitis- (VSV) - Entry Requirements for VSV Susceptible Animals.

Amend Section 799 of Article 11, Chapter 2, Division 2, of Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

- (a) <u>As defined in subsection (b)(1)(A)</u>, aAll animals susceptible to <u>VSV-vesicular stomatitis</u> are prohibited <u>to</u> entery into the State of California if they have been exposed to <u>VSV vesicular stomatitis</u> during the past 30 days or were present at a VSV confirmed premises during the 14 days prior to shipment, or at a VSV suspect premises, unless authorized by the Department in accordance with subsection (d) below. A VSV suspect premises is a premises under State investigation due to the presence of one or more susceptible animals reported to have clinical signs consistent with VSV including but not limited to vesicular lesions on the tongue, lips, oral and nasal mucosa, teats, prepuce, or coronary bands.
- (b) (1) In addition to the requirements of section 830.3, pPrior to entering the State, a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must accompany an animal, certifying that the animal is free from evidence of VSV and was inspected within 7 days prior to shipment, which means loading animals for purposes of transportation, if:
 - (A) The animal is susceptible to VSV, defined as belonging to a species known to be vulnerable to infection by VSV. Susceptible species are all of the following: equine, bovine, porcine, caprine, ovine, cervidae, and camelidae; and
 - (B) The susceptible animal originated from or was unloaded in a state where VSV has been diagnosed, within the prior 30 days.

all susceptible animals originating in states where vesicular stomatitis has been diagnosed in the past six (6) months may be required to obtain a permit of entry as the Department determines necessary to protect against the introduction of vesicular stomatitis. For each shipment, a determination of permit requirements must be obtained from, and permits will be issued by, the Animal Health Branch,

California Department of Food and Agriculture, 1220 N Street, Sacramento, California 95814, Telephone (916) 900-5002. Permit requests may be made by telephone; however, a written application will be required when the information provided is not sufficient to include the following:

- (1) owner
- (2) shipping agent
- (3) description and identification of the animals
- (4) destination address
- (5) person(s) receiving the shipment
- (6) type of facility receiving the shipment
- (7) name and phone number of veterinarian requesting the permit
- (b) (2) This requirement does not apply to susceptible animals moving directly to a state or federally licensedslaughter facility to be slaughtered within three (3) calendar days of arrival.
- (c) In addition to the requirement of this Section, VSV susceptible animals moving into the State must meet all other entry and permitting requirements for the species of animals pursuant to Chapter 2, Division 2, Title 3, of the California Code of Regulations, for the purposes of animal disease traceability.
- (c)(d) The Department may authorize importation of animals from any area when restrictions as specified by the California State Veterinarian are determined adequate to protect against the introduction of VSV vesicular stomatitis.
- (e) The requirements as provided in subsection (b)(1) are no longer required for VSV susceptible animals entering the state of California 30 days from when the last quarantine is released in the state that had been previously diagnosed with VSV.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 407, 9561, 9562, 10610 and 10781, Food and Agricultural Code. Reference: Sections 9561, 9570, 9641.5, Food and Agricultural Code