

State of California
California Department of Food and Agriculture
Animal Health and Food Safety Services

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NOTICE OF REQUIRED ACTION PURSUANT TO QUARANTINE

Owner: Owners of all rabbits, hares, and all their associated products (meat, pelts, hides, carcasses, etc) and equipment.

Address: Entering California by any means of transportation and originating from a state where Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD) has been diagnosed in the prior 12 months

You are hereby notified that the State Veterinarian has imposed a Quarantine pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code, Section 9562 on the following population of animals or animal product:

Description of Population of Animals or Animal Product: Rabbits, hares, and all their associated products (meat, pelts, hides, carcasses, etc) and equipment.

Location of animals: Entering California by any means of transportation and originating from a state where RHD has been diagnosed in the prior 12 months.

Reason for Quarantine:

This Quarantine is imposed because the population of animals or animal product described above may be infected or infested, has been exposed to a condition that could transmit an illness that could kill or seriously damage other animals, or may be at risk for such exposure.

Condition: Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD)

Required Action: Pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code, Section 9562 and Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301 *et seq.*, you are required to:

Cease all efforts to cause the population of animals or animal product described above to enter the State of California.

No rabbits, hares or their products (meat, pelts, hides, carcasses, etc) and equipment or other items or associated materials may enter California from states or countries where Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD) has been diagnosed in the prior 12 months unless they meet the following requirements.

1. All live rabbits and hares require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, and must be inspected by an accredited veterinarian within 72 hours prior to shipping to California. The Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must include a statement by an accredited veterinarian certifying that:
 - All rabbits and hares in the shipment have been examined for and found free of communicable diseases, and
 - All rabbits and hares have originated from a single premises that has no signs of a communicable disease, and
 - There have been no movements of rabbits and hares onto the premises over the prior 30-days, and
 - The animals have had no contact with wild rabbits or hares in the past 30 days.
2. No rabbits and hares or rabbit and hare products (meat, pelts, hides, carcasses, etc) and equipment or other items or associated materials may enter California from a premises known to be affected with RHD.

The State Veterinarian may modify the action(s) required in this Notice. Failure to comply with this Notice of Required Action is a violation of Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301.8 and will result in the Department of Food and Agriculture pursuing appropriate remedies, including but not limited to law enforcement involvement, and may interfere with your receiving indemnity payments to which you might be entitled.

Notice issued by:	<u>A. Jones - signature on file.</u>	Title	<u>State Veterinarian</u>	Date:	<u>5/12/2020</u>	Time:	<u>6:00pm</u>
Notice served by:	<u>A. Jones - signature on file.</u>	Title	<u>State Veterinarian</u>	Date:	<u>5/12/2020</u>	Time:	<u>6:00pm</u>
Notice received by:	_____	Title	_____	Date:	<u>5/12/2020</u>	Time:	<u>6:00pm</u>

YOUR APPEAL RIGHTS

You may appeal the imposition of the Quarantine in an informal hearing process, pursuant to Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 1400) of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code and Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301.2 and 1301.3, by contacting the **State Veterinarian at cdfa.qna@cdfa.ca.gov** and requesting an informal hearing. The request must include the appellant's: name, address, and phone number, as well as a copy of this Notice. **Unless the box below is checked, your request for a hearing must be received within 72 hours of service of this notice.**

YOUR REQUEST FOR A HEARING MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN _____ A.M. / P.M. ON _____