Swine Entry Requirements

Interstate Livestock Entry Permit
(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.

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection
(3 CCR §796.4, §796.5; FAC 10781)

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)
(3 CCR §796.4—§796.6; FAC 10781)

All swine require official ID.

Breeding and Show Swine

Breeding swine are sexually intact swine more than 6 months of age. ID options:
• Official Eartags
• Ear notches or tattoos (ear or inner flank) if recorded in Purebred Registry Association Board with documentation
• Eartags bearing premises ID number combined with unique number from producer’s identification system

Feeder Swine

Feeder swine are swine less than 6 months of age being moved into the state for destinations other than direct to slaughter. ID options:
• Official Eartags
• Ear notches or tattoos (ear or inner flank) if recorded in Purebred Registry Association Board with documentation
• Eartags or tattoos bearing the premises ID number assigned by the state to the premises of origin

Slaughter Swine

ID options:
• Official Eartags
• Eartags or tattoos bearing the premises ID number assigned by the state to the premises of origin
• Official swine (slap) tattoo
• USDA Backtags

Companion/Pet Pot-Bellied and Mini Pigs ONLY:

ID options:
• 840 Electronic Implants or microchips that are ISO 11784/85 compliant

See CDFA’s Fact Sheet “Swine - Official Identification Options” for detailed information on options for official ID for swine.

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

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.

Animal Health and Food Safety Services
Animal Health Branch
Headquarters - (916) 900-5002
Redding District - (530) 225-2140
Modesto District - (209) 491-9350
Tulare District - (559) 685-3500
Ontario District - (909) 947-4462

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

For more information on the Animal Health Branch, please visit:
www.cdfa.ca.gov/ah