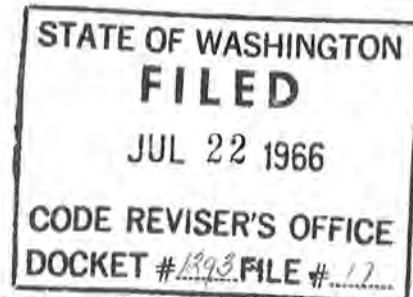


STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Olympia

ORDER NO. 1024

(Superseding Order No. 957)

Effective August 22, 1966



REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS INTO THE  
STATE OF WASHINGTON

I, Donald W. Moos, Director of Agriculture of the State of Washington by virtue of the authority vested in me under Chapter 16.36 RCW, and 16.44 RCW, after due notice as provided under Chapter 34.04 RCW and 42.32 RCW, and a public hearing held in Olympia on July 12, 1966 do promulgate the following regulations:

Regulation 1. For the purpose of these rules the "Director" means the Director of Agriculture of the State of Washington or his duly authorized representative.

Regulation 2. (a) All domestic animals being shipped into this state must have met requirements of Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, in effect at time of movement or shipment, as qualifying for interstate movement or importation from foreign countries and in addition thereto must meet all the applicable laws, rules and regulations of the State of Washington pertaining to Animal Health and care of animals.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to import any domestic animal or any non-aquatic animal kept in a household or premises thereof or for public display into this state unless in compliance with the requirements set forth hereafter in this order, and regulations relating to importation into and movement within the State of Washington of poultry and hatching eggs. No domestic animal or any non-aquatic animal kept in a household or premises thereof or for public display, including poultry, that is affected with any infectious or communicable disease shall be imported into the state unless written permission for the importation is obtained from the Director.

Regulation 3. All animals entering Washington shall be accompanied by an official health certificate except those classes of animals specifically exempted in laws or regulations of this state. "Official Health Certificate" means a legible certificate executed on an official form of the state of origin or of the Animal Health Division, United States Department of Agriculture, by a licensed and accredited veterinarian or a veterinarian approved by the proper livestock sanitary official of the state of origin or the proper official of the Animal Health Division, United States Department of Agriculture, and shall contain the following information:

- (a) Date of inspection. (All health certificates void after thirty days from date of issue) PROVIDED, the Director may give special exemption to the thirty day limit for show animals.
- (b) Names and addresses of the consignor and consignee.
- (c) Certification that the animals are apparently free from evidence of infectious and communicable disease. (Note additional requirements for equine under Regulation 6).

- (d) Test or vaccination status when required
- (e) Description of each animal to include species, breed, age, sex, tag or tattoo number and, if registered, the registry name and number.
- (f) Certification of disinfection of cars and trucks when required.

All health certificates shall be approved by the Livestock Sanitary Official of the state of origin and a copy shall be forwarded immediately to the Department of Agriculture, Olympia, Washington.

Regulation 4. Vehicles - All trucks, railway cars and other conveyances used for the transportation of domestic animals shall be maintained in a sanitary condition, and cleaned and disinfected when required by the Director.

Regulation 5. Quarantine - Domestic animals entering the state without proper health certificate or official permission, or not meeting the health requirements of the State of Washington, shall be held in quarantine at the owner's expense and be subject to any required tests, inspection, vaccination at owner's expense until released from quarantine by the Director.

Regulation 6. Domestic equine animals shall be accompanied by an official health certificate stating that they are free from clinical symptoms of infectious and communicable disease. Health certificate shall also state the status of said equine relative to Equine Infectious Anemia. (If clinical symptoms of Equine Infectious Anemia have been previously evidenced such shall be shown on the Health Certificate with the dates established). If precipitin tests or other tests for Equine Infectious Anemia have been completed, results of same and dates must be shown on the Health Certificate.

If animals are classified as "suspicious" to or "infected" with Equine Infectious Anemia, such shall be shown on the certificate along with dates of supportive information.

Animals classified as "Infected" with Equine Infectious Anemia must be accompanied by a permit from the state livestock official of state of destination and statement of same must appear on the Health Certificate with statement that animal is subject to quarantine at destination. (See also Regulation 2 of this Order).

Health certificates must be issued no more than thirty (30) days previous to movement and copies sent immediately to state veterinarian of state of origin.

Regulation 7. Immediate slaughter cattle - Cattle may be shipped into the State of Washington for immediate slaughter without inspection or health certificate: PROVIDED;

- (a) The waybills or certificates are marked stating the animals are for immediate slaughter, and
- (b) The animals will be slaughtered within fourteen (14) days after arrival at destination, and
- (c) The animals are consigned to a slaughter plant operating under the Federal Meat Inspection Act; or a slaughter plant

specifically approved under Chapter 78.14 Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations; or a federally inspected stockyard or a salesyard specifically approved under Chapter 78.16, Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations; for sale to such a slaughter establishment, and

- (d) Provided further that international shipments are subject to further regulations under Title 9, C.F.R.

Regulation 8. All domestic bovine animals, (including Bison) except those for immediate slaughter, shall be accompanied by a health certificate stating that they are clinically free from infectious and communicable disease, and in addition shall meet the following tuberculosis and brucellosis requirements:

(a) Tuberculosis -

- (1) Must originate in a tuberculosis-free accredited herd, area or state or a modified accredited area, and
- (2) All dairy cattle must be negative to a tuberculosis test within thirty (30) days prior to entry or originate from a tuberculosis-free accredited herd or area; provided that calves under 8 months of age, steers and spayed heifers need not be tested.

(b) Brucellosis - All animals except steers and spayed heifers shall be:

- (1) Under eight (8) months of age and not from a quarantined herd; or
- (2) From a certified brucellosis-free herd, area or state; or
- (3) Official female vaccinates under thirty (30) months of age, neither springing nor fresh, and originating in a modified certified brucellosis area; or be an official vaccinate under thirty (30) months of age, neither springing nor fresh, plus permit, if originating from an area that is not at least a modified certified brucellosis area; or
- (4) Negative to an official brucellosis test within thirty (30) days if from a modified certified brucellosis area; or negative to an official brucellosis test, plus permit, if originating from an area that is not at least a modified certified brucellosis area; PROVIDED, that all cattle entering the state on permit under this provision must enter under quarantine and be subject to additional tests as determined by the Director at owner's expense.

(c) Steers and spayed heifers are exempt from brucellosis requirements.

- (d) All animals, except steers and spayed heifers, originating in lots or consignments at salesyards in which reactors to a brucellosis test have been found, may enter the state only if a permit to import has been secured from the Department of Agriculture, Olympia, Washington. Animals imported under such permit shall be placed under quarantine at destination and shall be held in isolation until released by the Director. Such animals will be released from quarantine only when no reactors are found by two tests (at owner's expense) of the entire lot, the first test not less than thirty (30) days following date of entry into the state; the second test to be made not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days following preceding test.
- (e) Feeder steers shall be accompanied by a health certificate stating that they are clinically free from infectious and communicable disease, but are exempt from the brucellosis requirements.
- (f) Feeder cattle other than steers shall be accompanied by a health certificate stating that they are clinically free from infectious and communicable disease, but may be exempt from the brucellosis requirements only if a written or telegraphic permit to import has been secured from the Director. Such permits will be granted only for cattle consigned to a quarantined registered feed lot as defined by existing orders.
- (g) Entry of cattle for grazing purposes: Bulls and female cattle of the beef breeds may be moved into Washington, on permit, for winter holding or for grazing purposes; provided herds of origin are qualified under the area plan; or originate in a modified certified brucellosis area; or are under testing program of Uniform Methods and Rules adopted by the United States Department of Agriculture. The Director shall place such herds under quarantine or require segregation as deemed necessary to prevent the spread of brucellosis or other infectious or contagious disease.

Regulation 9. Goats, except those for immediate slaughter, shall be accompanied by a health certificate stating they are clinically free from infectious and communicable disease and a record of a negative brucellosis test made within thirty (30) days prior to date of entry. Goats under 8 months of age are exempt from brucellosis requirements.

Regulation 10. Sheep, except those for immediate slaughter, shall be accompanied by a health certificate stating they are clinically free from infectious and communicable disease and in addition shall comply with the following requirements which shall be stated on the health certificate:

- (a) Originate from a state in which no blue tongue, scabies, contagious ecthyma, or scrapie has existed for one year; or
- (b) By special permit from the Department of Agriculture, Olympia, Washington.

(a) Slaughter swine - Swine not known to be affected with or exposed to infectious or communicable swine diseases may be moved into the state without health certificate or vaccination to a recognized-slaughtering center, public livestock market specifically approved under Part 76, Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, and amendments thereto for immediate slaughter and may not be diverted enroute for any purpose. The waybills or certificates for movement must state "for slaughter only".

(b) Feeder and breeder swine - Must be accompanied by Official Health Certificate stating they are clinically free from infectious and contagious disease and must portray the official hog cholera vaccination status and be individually identified.

(1) Hog Cholera

a. Swine vaccinated with live virus or modified live virus vaccine and/or serum alone will not be accepted into this state.

b. Official vaccinates - Official vaccinates are those swine that have qualified by the following method:

Vaccinated with killed or inactivated hog cholera vaccine no less than 21 days nor more than 6 months previous to entry. The dosage of the vaccine to be that recommended on the product label of the licensed manufacturer.

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1. Swine from states of less than Phase IV status which have not been officially vaccinated may enter this state when consigned to a farm or registered quarantined feed lot if they have been maintained in a closed unit (no additions) for a period of at least 21 days at point of origin and if a special permit has been secured from the Director of Agriculture of the State of Washington and if they are accompanied by a health certificate and individual identification. Swine in this category must be held at first destination in Washington under quarantine for at least 21 days and separate and apart from other swine. Special permit, required by both State and Federal regulations, may be obtained by writing or calling the Supervisor of Animal Industry Division, Olympia, Washington in advance of the buying trip. The veterinarian in the state of origin who is handling the shipment may also obtain the permit from the Washington State Department of Agriculture by telephone or telegram at the time shipment is being arranged.

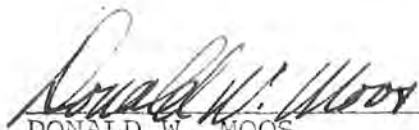
2. Swine from states in Phase IV or Hog Cholera Free Status may enter the State of Washington with no vaccination or quarantine providing Health Certificate portrays the status of said swine and swine are individually identified and listed on the certificate and consignor and consignee are properly listed with exact mailing addresses and destination is clearly shown. Such unvaccinated hogs must not come in contact with hogs from states of unlike status prior to or during shipment and they must be transported in one vehicle in one continuous movement.

(2) Swine brucellosis - All purebred sows and boars over six months of age entering the state for breeding purposes must be tested and found negative to brucellosis within thirty (30) days previous to entry or originate in a validated Brucellosis-Free Herd; area or state.

Regulation 12. All dogs and cats must be accompanied by official health certificate stating they are clinically free of infectious contagious disease and must state rabies status as follows: All dogs over three months of age must be vaccinated against rabies not less than 14 days nor more than 12 months prior to date of entry if killed virus vaccine is used; or not less than 14 days nor more than 2 years prior to date of entry if modified live virus vaccine is used. Health certificates must be signed by an accredited veterinarian who must verify in writing that the animal has not originated from a rabies quarantined area, and to the best of his knowledge the animal has not been exposed to rabies within the last 6 months, and must accompany both dogs and cats. PROVIDED, that animals originating from rabies quarantine or rabies areas must be accompanied by a permit obtainable from the State Department of Agriculture office in Olympia, Washington, previous to shipment, the terms of which must be stated on the health certificate.

Regulation 13. Penalty provision - Revised Code of Washington (RCW16.36.110) provides: A violation of or a failure to comply with any provision of this chapter shall be a misdemeanor. Each day upon which a violation occurs shall constitute a separate violation. Any person violating the provisions of RCW 16.36.005, 16.36.020, 16.36.103, 16.36.105, 16.36.107, 16.36.108 or 16.36.109 may be enjoined from continuing such violation.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the regulations promulgated by the Department of Agriculture.

  
DONALD W. MOOS  
Director of Agriculture  
State of Washington

Signed at Olympia, Washington

DATE: July 22, 1966