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UNIFORM ANIMAL HEALTH STANDARDS RECOMMENDED FOR VERMONT FAIRS, FIELD DAYS AND FESTIVALS

***Animals being imported from outside the state of Vermont must comply with the established Rules Governing the Importation of Domestic Animals Including Livestock and Poultry. Contact the office of the State Veterinarian at 802-828-2421.**

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)

All Vermont cattle, sheep, goats, camelids, and swine shall have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued by a veterinarian within six months of the event. Such certificate shall include a description of the animal(s) including sex, breed, age, and any form of individual identification. Such certificate shall also state that the described animals have been inspected and show no signs of infectious, contagious, and/or communicable disease. Such certificate shall also document dates of any required vaccinations or health tests.

Vermont equine animals accompanied by a current negative official EIA test record with a complete identification of the horse and a record of a current rabies vaccination will be acceptable in lieu of a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Rabies Vaccination

All animals over 3 months of age for which there is an approved rabies vaccine, including cattle, horses, sheep, dogs, cats and ferrets, shall have a current rabies vaccination administered according to the manufacturers recommendations. Such vaccination shall be documented either on an individual rabies vaccination certificate or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and shall include the name of the vaccine used, serial number, date administered and its duration. Rabies vaccination of equine can be recorded on an official EIA test record. It is recommended that the vaccination should be administered at least 30 days prior to the event and that it be current within the previous 12 months. Vaccination less than 30 days should be accepted for younger animals not old enough to vaccinate in sufficient time prior to the event.

Animals for which there is no currently approved vaccine, including goats, camelids, swine and wolf hybrids, extra-label administration of rabies vaccine approved for other species by a veterinarian is recommended.

EIA/Coggins for Horses

All equine shall have documentation of a negative test result for Equine Infectious Anemia within 12 months of the event. Such test results shall be documented either on an official EIA test record form or on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection including the date of sampling and the laboratory where the test was run.

Cattle Shipping Fever Vaccination

All cattle shall have a shipping fever vaccination within 6 months but no less than 14 days prior to the event which includes IBR, BVD, PI3, and BRSV. Such vaccination shall be documented on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and shall include the date administered and the trade name of the vaccine.

Recommended Equine Vaccination

Vaccination for Flu and Rhino (EHV1) between 14 days and 6 months prior to the event is recommended.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY SPECIES

Cattle

- Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within 6 months of the event
- Rabies vaccination between 30 days and 12 months for animals over 3 months of age
- Shipping fever vaccination between 14 days and 6 months prior to the event

*Out-of-state cattle imported into Vermont also require official individual identification and an import permit with a CVI dated within 30 days of entry, or a CVI issued for the six month duration of an exhibition permit. Call 802-828-2421 for a permit.

Equine

- Official EIA test record with negative EIA results within 12 months, or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) with a record of EIA test results, laboratory and date of sampling.
- Rabies vaccination between 30 days and 12 months for animals over 3 months of age
- Vaccination for Flu and Rhino between 14 days and 6 months is recommended.

*Out-of-state equine imported into Vermont are required to have a CVI issued within 30 days prior to entry, or a CVI issued for the 6 month duration of an exhibition permit. Call 802-828-2421 for an exhibition permit.

Sheep, Goats, Camelids and Swine

- Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) within 6 months
- Rabies vaccination between 30 days and 12 months for animals over 3 months of age

*Out-of-state sheep, goats and swine imported into Vermont are required to have official individual identification and an import permit with a CVI issued within 30 days prior to entry, or a CVI issued for the 6 month duration of an exhibition permit. 802-828-2421

*Out-of-state camelids imported into Vermont are required to have an import permit, a negative brucellosis test within 30 days and a negative TB test within 90 days. With an exhibition permit, Brucellosis and TB tests will be acceptable for the six month duration

of the exhibition permit. Acceptable identification of camelids will be a detailed description of the animal, a photograph signed and dated on the back by an accredited veterinarian, or any other artificial means of ID. Call 802-828-2421 for a permit

Poultry

All domestic fowl shall have a certificate of health from a state livestock official which shall document that the fowl have been tested and found negative for pullorum-typhoid disease or originate from a pullorum-typhoid clean or passed flock, tested within the past 12 months. Contact a state livestock official for information 802-828-2421.