

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER SERVICES

CHAPTER 5C-4: ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION

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5C-4.0015 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter the following definitions shall apply:

(1) Accredited Veterinarian. A veterinarian licensed in the state of origin and accredited by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA, APHIS) to perform certain functions of the federal and cooperative-state-federal programs in accordance with the provisions of Title 9 Code of Federal Regulations 9 CFR §161.1 (JAN 2018), which is hereby incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10035>.

(2) Animal(s). This term shall include: be as defined in section 585.01(10), F.S., which provides that the term "animal" shall include wild or game animals whenever necessary to effectively control or eradicate dangerous transmissible diseases or pets which threaten the agricultural interests of the state.

(3) Authorized Representative. An employee of the state or federal government, or a licensed veterinarian accredited by the USDA, who is authorized to conduct animal disease control and eradication activities.

(4) Commercial Production Swine. Swine that have been subjected to and found negative on their most recent annual brucellosis and pseudorabies tests and have been continuously managed with adequate facilities and practices to prevent exposure to any transitional or feral swine and so recognized by state animal health officials.

(5) "Domestic animal" shall include any equine or bovine animal, goat, sheep, swine, domestic cat, dog, poultry, ostrich, emu, rhea, or other domesticated beast or bird.

(6) Exhibition. Any premises displaying or presenting livestock to the general public for an animal exhibit or animal show at an event sponsored by the state or county.

(7) Group. One or more Animals maintained on the same premises or in contact with one another.

(8) Horse. Any horse, mule, ass, zebra or other equidae.

(9) Isolation. Separation of individual Animals by a physical barrier in a manner that assures one Animal does not have access to the body, excrement, or discharges of another Animal; does not share a building with a common ventilation system; and is not within ten feet of another Animal.

(10) "Livestock" means grazing animals, such as cattle, horses, sheep, swine, goats, other hoofed animals, ostriches, emus, and rheas which are raised for private use or commercial purposes.

(11) Market Class. An exhibition class consisting of finished fed Animals that are isolated and housed separately from all Animals not designated for slaughter immediately following the exhibition.

(12) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI). A legible record or certificate made on an official form from the state of origin or from the USDA, or a Department-approved electronic format, issued and signed by veterinarians licensed and accredited in the state of origin for the purpose of certifying the Official Individual Identification, test requirements, and health status of specific Animals for movement, exhibition, and other designated purposes.

(13) Official Individual Identification. An individual Animal identification that uniquely identifies the Animal, the owner, the premises where the Animal was identified and the state in which the Official Individual Identification was applied and:

(a) For Cattle:

1. Is approved by the United States Department of Agriculture in accordance with 9 C.F.R. §86.4(a)(1)(2013), as incorporated in rule 5C-31.006, F.A.C.; or

2. Is submitted to and verified by the Department as meeting the requirements for Official Individual Identification such that state officials can determine the herd in which the Animal was officially identified.

(b) For Livestock Other than Cattle:

1. Tattoos and registered brands such as ear, tail-web or flank tattoos, breed registration tattoos when accompanied by breed registration papers; or an official breed registration brand when accompanied by a brand registration certificate;

2. Official leg or wing bands for poultry;

3. Color digital images or notarized color photographs of the Animal, signed by an Accredited Veterinarian; or

4. Implanted electronic chips with a unique number that is recorded in a single, central database.

(14) Official test. A test conducted by a method approved by Department rules for the specific disease and Animal species.

(15) Poultry, Domestic Fowl or Ratites. Chickens, turkeys, quail, pheasants, chukars, peafowl, guineas, ratites (limited to ostriches, emus and rheas) and waterfowl that are propagated or maintained for commercial or breeding purposes.

(16) Segregated. To maintain a Group of Animals separate from another Group of Animals in such a manner as to prevent physical contact between Animals of the two Groups.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History–New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95, 6-21-06, 2-19-14, 11-21-18.

5C-4.0016 Applications, Cards, Forms, Other Official Documents Required and Fees.

(1) USDA. Equine Infectious Anemia Laboratory Test VS Form 10-11 (MARCH 2014). An official USDA, APHIS, VS form required for submitting samples and reporting results of Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) tests. Equine Infectious Anemia Laboratory Test VS Form 10-11 (MARCH 2014) is hereby incorporated by reference and can be found online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10036>.

(2) Division.

(a) Official Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI). These certificates are provided only to Florida-licensed Accredited Veterinarians and may be obtained as provided in subparagraph 5C-4.0016(2)(a)1., F.A.C. Depending on species and purpose (sale or movement), the following are Florida-recognized OCIVs:

1. Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, FDACS-09000 Rev. 06/17; for use with all species, in association with movement or sale. Cost is \$65 per book of 25 certificates. Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, FDACS-09000 Rev. 06/17 is incorporated by reference in rule 5C-24.003, F.A.C.

2. Official Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, FDACS-09002 Rev. 04/17; for use with equine, in association with movement or sale. Cost is \$65 per book of 25 certificates. Official Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, FDACS-09002 Rev. 04/17 is incorporated by reference in rule 5C-24.003, F.A.C.

(b) Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09207 Rev. 08/18 is incorporated by reference in subsection 5C-3.003(5), F.A.C., is an official card provided by the Department to the Horse owner, which certifies the existence of an official negative EIA test within the previous 12 months and a valid Florida Official Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection for interstate movement for exhibition purposes in states which accept the card. The document is valid for six (6) months provided the conditions in paragraphs 5C-3.003(5)(a)-(f), F.A.C., are met. The Equine Interstate Passport Card is not acceptable for change of ownership purposes. It may be applied for by submitting an Application for Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09219 Rev. 12/09, to the Division with the associated fee of \$15.00 for the first equine and \$5.00 for each additional equine on the same application. Application for Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09219 Rev. 12/09 is incorporated by reference in paragraph 5C-3.003(5)(e), F.A.C.

(c) Negative EIA Test Verification Card, FDACS-09160 Rev. 08/18, is an official document provided by the Department to the Horse owner to show proof of a negative EIA test within the previous 12 months, for purposes other than change of ownership. The document is valid for 12 months from the date the blood was drawn and is renewable annually with an associated fee of \$5.00 per application (Card). The Negative EIA Test Verification Card may be applied for by submitting the Application for Negative EIA Test Verification Card, FDACS-09206 Rev. 10/05. Negative EIA Test Verification Card FDACS-09160 Rev. 08/18 is hereby incorporated by reference and can be found online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10037>. Application for Negative EIA Test Verification Card, FDACS-09206 Rev. 10/05 is hereby incorporated by reference and can be found online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10038>.

(d) Equine Event Extension, FDACS-09051 Rev. 03/06, an official document provided by the Department to the Horse owner, which certifies the existence of an official negative EIA test within the previous 12 months and a valid Florida Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Equine Event Extension, FDACS-09051 Rev. 03/06 is incorporated by reference in subsection 5C-3.003(5), F.A.C. The document is valid for six (6) months provided the conditions in paragraphs 5C-3.003(5)(a)-(f), F.A.C., are met. It may be applied for by submitting the Application for Equine Event Extension, FDACS-09078 Rev. 09/17, to the Division as referred to in subsection 5C-3.003(5), F.A.C., with the associated fee of

\$10.00 for the first equine and \$5.00 for each additional equine on the application: Application for Equine Event Extension, FDACS-09078 Rev. 09/17, is hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph 5C-3.003(5)(e), F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), (5), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History–New 6-21-06, Amended 11-21-18.

5C-4.0017 General Requirements, Exemptions and Limitations.

(1) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) Required. Animals presented for exhibition purposes in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI issued by a veterinarian accredited in the state of origin.

(a) The OCVI must be complete including the breed, sex, and registration number, and the Official Individual Identification of each Animal.

(b) Results of a specific test requirement or herd accreditation, certification or validation number for each Animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd accreditation, certification or validation.

(2) Expiration of Required OCVI.

(a) For Florida-origin Animals an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date.

(b) For Animals imported into Florida for exhibition purposes only, the OCVI is valid for 30 days, except that, for an equine imported into Florida using a current Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09207 Rev. 07/05, or equivalent from the state of origin signed by the State Veterinarian or chief animal health official, the OCVI will be extended to the date of expiration of the Equine Interstate Passport Card or its equivalent of the state of origin.

(3) Exemption to Required OCVI. An OCVI is not required for Animals originating in Florida and entered in Market Classes provided that Animals are Segregated from other Animals and the pens are occupied only by the Animals in a Market Class. Pens used for Market Classes must not be reused until after cleaning and disinfecting.

(4) Inspection Required. Prior to immediate acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be visually inspected by an Authorized Representative for:

(a) The required Official Individual Identification of the Animal; and

(b) Clinical signs of disease including, but not limited to: caseous lymphadenitis, blisters/ulcers around the mouth, nostrils, coronary band, pinkeye, pox, scabies, lice, ringworm, atrophic rhinitis, or multiple warts that are clearly visible; and

(c) Evidence of compliance with Animal tests and OCVI requirements, where required.

(5) Animals Rejected for Exhibition.

(a) Any Animal in noncompliance with Animal tests and OCVI requirements, or

(b) Any Animal not meeting the Official Individual Identification requirements, or

(c) Any Animal which is suspected of having or showing clinical signs of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection, or any Animal which is known to be exposed to such diseases must be:

1. Immediately withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or

2. Examined by a Florida-licensed Accredited Veterinarian at the owner's expense within 24 hours, who certifies by a signed, written statement, that the Animal is free of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease and pests.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History–New 6-21-06, Amended 10-17-18.

5C-4.001 General Requirements and Limitations.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History–New 7-1-71, Amended 8-7-77, 9-30-80, Formerly 5C-4.01, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95, Repealed 6-21-06.

5C-4.002 Cattle or Bison.

(1) OCVI Required.

(a) Florida-origin cattle or bison moved for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to exhibition.

(b) Cattle or bison imported from other states for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 30 days prior to exhibition.

(2) Test or Certification Required.

(a) Tuberculosis.

1. Florida-origin cattle or bison may be entered for exhibition without a tuberculin test.

2. Imported dairy cattle may be entered for exhibition provided they have a negative caudal fold tuberculin skin test within 60 days prior to the date of the exhibition; except that, dairy cattle from an Accredited Herd as defined in Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication, APHIS 91-45-011 (Jan. 2005) and originating in Tuberculosis-Free States, are exempt from this test requirement. Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication, APHIS 91-45-011

(Jan. 2005) is hereby incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10086>.

3. Imported beef cattle or bison may be entered for exhibition without a negative caudal fold tuberculin skin test provided they originate from Accredited Tuberculosis-Free States or Herds. Otherwise, they must meet the requirements in subparagraph 5C-4.002(2)(a)2., F.A.C.

(b) Brucellosis.

1. Test Required. Cattle or bison, six (6) months of age or older, must have evidence of a negative brucellosis test within 30 days prior to the date of exhibition.

2. Exemption from Required Brucellosis Test.

a. Steers and spayed heifers; and

b. Cattle or bison originating from a Certified Brucellosis-Free Herd as defined in 9 CFR §78.1 (JAN 2018), which is hereby incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10040>, or a Brucellosis Class Free State or Area which when certified, the OCVI must show the certified herd number and the date of the last herd certification test; and

c. Cattle or bison from non-quarantined herds originating from Class A State or Area provided that the cattle are under 18 months of age.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History—Amended 7-25-66, 11-15-67, 1-1-70, 7-1-71, 9-1-72, 8-7-77, 8-8-79, 9-30-80, 6-26-83, Formerly 5C-4.02, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-21-06, 11-21-18.

5C-4.003 Swine.

(1) OCVI Required.

(a) Swine for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation for exhibition.

(b) Swine imported for exhibition must comply with the importation requirements set forth in rule 5C-3.007, F.A.C.

(2) Tests or Certification Required for Breeding Swine.

(a) Brucellosis.

1. Swine imported for exhibition must comply with the importation requirements set forth in rule 5C-3.007, F.A.C., Florida origin swine six (6) months of age or older must be negative to an official test for brucellosis within 90 days prior to exhibition, or

2. Originate from a Validated Brucellosis-Free Swine herd as defined in 9 CFR §78.1 (JAN 2018), which is incorporated by reference in rule 5C-4.002, F.A.C., or

3. Originate from a Commercial Production Swine Herd as defined in subsection 5C-4.0015(4), F.A.C.

(b) Pseudorabies. Swine imported for exhibition must comply with the importation requirements set forth in rule 5C-3.007, F.A.C. Florida origin swine six (6) months of age or older must be negative to an Official Test for pseudorabies within 90 days prior to exhibition, or

1. Originate from a Qualified Pseudorabies-Free Herd as defined in 9 CFR §85.1 (JAN 2018), which is incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10043>, or

2. Originate from an Approved Commercial Production Swine Herd as defined in rule 5C-21.018, F.A.C.

(3) Exemptions. Swine for exhibition as Market Class swine are exempt from the OCVI and test requirements provided that all swine in the class go directly to slaughter following the exhibition.

(4) Isolation. Breeding swine returning to the farm from exhibitions must be Isolated from other swine for at least 30 days before being returned to the herd. Breeding swine for exhibition must be maintained in Isolation between exhibitions or move directly between exhibitions.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History—New 3-21-64, Amended 6-20-68, 1-1-71, 3-1-72, Formerly 5C-4.03, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-21-06, 11-21-18.

5C-4.004 Poultry, Domestic Fowl or Ratites.

(1) OCVI Required. An OCVI is required for Poultry, Domestic fowl or Ratites for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition. However, Poultry, Domestic fowl or Ratites presented for exhibition without an OCVI, must be inspected as provided in subsection 5C-4.0017(4), F.A.C.

(2) Test or Certification Required. All poultry or domestic fowl entered for exhibition must originate from Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks or hatcheries, as provided in 9 CFR §145 (Jan. 2018) and §147 (Jan. 2018), or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. 9 CFR §145 (Jan. 2018) and §147 (JAN 2018) are hereby incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10045>

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History—Amended 4-20-67, 4-18-84, 4-4-85, Formerly 5C-4.04, Amended 6-21-87, 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95, 6-21-06, 11-21-18.

5C-4.005 Goats or Sheep.

(1) OCVI Required.

(a) Florida-origin goats or sheep presented for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation, except lamb or kids less than three months of age and accompanied by their dam.

(b) Goats or sheep imported into Florida for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI completed within 30 days prior to exhibition.

(2) Identification. All goats or sheep entered for exhibition purposes must have an Official Individual Identification in accordance with the Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-079, June 1, 2005, except lambs or kids under three months of age with official identification as defined in paragraph 5C-4.0015(13)(b), F.A.C., or accompanied by their dam. Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-079, June 1, 2005, is hereby incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10161>

(3) Test or Certification Required.

(a) Tuberculosis Test. All dairy goats six (6) months of age or older imported for exhibition purposes must originate from an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free Herd as defined in 9 CFR §77.5 (Jan. 2018), or have had a negative caudal fold tuberculosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition. When originating from Accredited Tuberculosis-Free Herds, the OCVI must show, the accredited herd number and the date of the last herd accreditation test.

(b) Brucellosis Test. All dairy goats six (6) months of age or older imported for exhibition purposes must originate from a Certified Brucellosis-Free Herd as defined in 9 CFR §78.1 (Jan. 2018), or have had a negative brucellosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition. When originating from a Certified Brucellosis-free herd, the OCVI must show the certified herd number and the date of the last herd certification test. Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication, APHIS 91-45-011 (JAN 2005) is hereby incorporated by reference in subparagraph 5C-4.002(2)(a)2., F.A.C.

(c) Exemption From Test Requirements. There are no tuberculosis or brucellosis test requirements for meat type goats or Florida-origin dairy goats. Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History-New 11-4-76, Formerly 5C-4.05, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95, 6-21-06, 1-3-19.

5C-4.006 Violation of Rules.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(1), (2), (3), 585.004, 585.005, 585.08(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2), (3), 585.007(1), (2) FS. History-New 6-29-62, Formerly 5C-4.06, Repealed 1-19-95.

5C-4.007 Sheep.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1) FS. History-New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.

5C-4.008 Horses.

(1) OCVI Required. An OCVI or an Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09207 Rev. 07/05, or equivalent of the state of origin, signed by the State Veterinarian or chief animal health official, is required for Horses for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition.

(2) Test or Certification Required. All Horses presented for exhibition must be accompanied by evidence of a negative Official Test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), conducted within 12 months prior to exhibition. The negative EIA test must be reported on:

(a) An original owner's copy of a VS Form 10-11 (March 2014);

(b) A laboratory certified copy of a VS Form 10-11 (March 2014);

(c) A legible photocopy of a VS Form 10-11 (March 2014);

(d) An Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09207 Rev. 07/05, or equivalent of the state of origin signed by the State Veterinarian or chief animal health official; which may be applied for by submitting the Application for Equine Interstate Passport Card, FDACS-09219 Rev. 12/09;

(e) A Negative EIA Test Verification Card, FDACS-09160 Rev. 07/05, or equivalent of the state of origin signed by the State Veterinarian or chief animal health official; which may be applied for by submitting the Application for Negative EIA Test Verification Card, FDACS-09206 Rev. 10/05, or

(f) A Department-approved electronic EIA form containing clear, color digital images.

(3) Exemption to Test Requirement. A foal under six (6) months of age accompanied by its dam which has met the EIA test requirement is not required to have an EIA test.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(3), 585.145 FS. History-New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95, 6-21-06, 10-17-18.

5C-4.009 Other Species.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. History-New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.

5C-4.010 Penalties for Violations.

Rulemaking Authority 585.002(4) FS. Law Implemented 585.007, 585.145(3) FS. History-New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.