

TITLE 23 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY

Chapter 4 - SWINE BRUCELLOSIS

001 Statement of Purpose. The purpose of these regulations is to aid in carrying out the legislative intent and general purposes of the swine brucellosis statutes of Nebraska, known as the Nebraska Swine Brucellosis Act (The "Act"), and found at Sections 54-1348 to 54-1366, R.R.S., 1943.

002 Administration. These regulations will be administered by the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture, located on the fourth floor of the State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The mailing address is P.O. Box 94787, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509. The telephone number is (402) 471-2351.

003 Definitions. The definitions of terms found in the Act shall apply to such terms when found in these regulations.

004 Identification of Swine.

004.01 Reactors shall be permanently identified by an official reactor eartag placed in the left ear within fifteen (15) days following the disclosure of infection.

004.02 All slaughter sows and boars received at the first point of sale by market, dealer or slaughter establishment, shall be uniformly identified, by the farm or origin, sufficiently to distinguish such swine from swine originating from other herds, which identification shall be recorded on a waybill. Each market, dealer, or slaughter establishment first receiving slaughter sows and boars shall then identify all such swine to the farm of origin, by tattoo or other acceptable method, which shall be specified on the account of sale.

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005 Identification Reports.

005.01 All markets, dealers, and slaughter establishments responsible for identifying swine in accordance with the provisions of Section 54-1358 of the Swine Brucellosis Act, shall maintain records of such identification.

005.02 All farms of origin responsible for identifying swine in accordance with the provisions of Section 54-1358 of the Nebraska Swine Brucellosis Act shall maintain all accounts of sale for a period of two (2) years.

006 Official Testing.

006.01 The official tests for swine brucellosis shall be as follows:

006.01A Card Test;

006.01B Rapid screening test;

006.01C Rivanol test; and

006.01D Any other testing procedure recognized for use in the diagnosis of swine brucellosis by USDA.

006.02 Testing shall be performed by the approved veterinarian, whenever required or authorized by the Nebraska Swine Brucellosis Act or these regulations.

007 Addition of Swine into Validated Herds. The following requirements shall apply to all swine added into validated herds in order for such herds to maintain validated status:

007.01 There shall be no brucellosis testing requirements for swine originating from validated herds.

007.02 All swine originating from non-validated herds shall undergo two (2) consecutive negative tests at least sixty (60) days apart prior to being added, except that in the case of bred sows and gilts, the second test shall occur not less than thirty (30) days after farrowing.

008 Annotation. Neb. Rev. Stat. §§54-1348 to 54-1336 and 54-701 to 54-705.

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