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# **SWINE IMPORTATION REGULATIONS**

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## ANIMAL HEALTH ACT

### CHAPTER A-11.1

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Pursuant to sections 2.3 and 4 of the *Animal Health Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-11.1, Council made the following regulations:

### 1. Definitions

- (1) In these regulations,
- (a) “**Act**” means the *Animal Health Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-11.1;
  - (b) “**certifying veterinarian**” means a veterinarian authorized by law to practise veterinary medicine in the jurisdiction of origin of an import lot;
  - (c) “**import lot**” means a swine or group of swine for which an import permit is sought or issued;
  - (d) “**source herd**” means the group of swine from which an import lot is drawn;
  - (e) “**swine**” means any species of domesticated or wild pig, including pot-bellied pigs, having the scientific genus *Sus*;
  - (f) “**swine import permit**” means a permit issued pursuant to section 4.

### Named diseases

- (2) The following diseases are named diseases in relation to swine:
- (a) porcine epidemic diarrhea and related corona viruses, including delta corona virus;
  - (b) transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE);
  - (c) porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome (PRRS);
  - (d) swine influenza A. (*EC182/19*)

### 2. Disposal, certain named diseases

No person shall dispose of swine infected with porcine epidemic diarrhea or a related corona virus, including delta corona virus, or transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE) except under the direction of the provincial veterinarian or an inspector. (*EC182/19*)

### 3. Swine import permit required

No person shall import swine into the province from another jurisdiction without a swine import permit. (*EC182/19*)

**4. Application for swine import permit**

- (1) A person may apply to the provincial veterinarian for a swine import permit by submitting the following:
- (a) proof satisfactory to the provincial veterinarian that the source herd of the import lot has been kept in accordance with generally accepted biosecurity practices for at least 30 days immediately preceding being examined by a certifying veterinarian for the purpose of clause (b);
  - (b) a health certificate issued by a certifying veterinarian, certifying that, on examination by the certifying veterinarian within the 30 days immediately preceding the application, each swine in the source herd was free of symptoms of any named disease;
  - (c) proof satisfactory to the provincial veterinarian that, within the 30 days immediately preceding the application, a certifying veterinarian
    - (i) identified each swine in the import lot by a unique identifier acceptable to the provincial veterinarian,
    - (ii) took a diagnostic sample from
      - (A) where the import lot is comprised of 20 or fewer swine, each swine in the import lot, or
      - (B) where the import lot is comprised of more than 20 swine, at least 20 swine from the import lot, and
    - (iii) submitted the samples to a laboratory for testing for named diseases;
  - (d) a copy of the diagnostic test results obtained pursuant to subclause (c)(iii);
  - (e) any information required by the provincial veterinarian respecting the selection of the swine for testing under paragraph (c)(ii)(B), if applicable;
  - (f) any other information required by the provincial veterinarian, including information respecting
    - (i) the sampling procedure used to collect the samples,
    - (ii) the laboratory procedure for analysis of collected samples,
    - (iii) the health of each swine in the import lot, and
    - (iv) the proposed transportation arrangements for the import of the swine.

**Issuance of permit**

- (2) On receipt of the information required under subsection (1), the provincial veterinarian may issue a swine import permit for the import lot if the provincial veterinarian is satisfied that no swine in the source herd is infected with a named disease. (*EC182/19*)

**5. Weigh station**

- (1) The Minister may appoint as officers under subsection 2(3) of the Act, employees of the Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy at the weigh station located at Borden-Carleton.

**Stop for inspection**

- (2) Every person transporting swine into the province by motor vehicle shall proceed directly to and stop at the weigh station located at Borden-Carleton and provide to an officer the swine import permit for that swine.



**Failure to provide permit**

- (3) Where a person fails to provide a swine import permit as required under subsection (2), an officer at the weigh station may
- (a) require the person to remove the swine from the province immediately; or
  - (b) detain the swine until otherwise directed by the provincial veterinarian. *(EC182/19)*

**6. Non-compliance**

- (1) Where the provincial veterinarian or an inspector knows or has reasonable grounds to believe that swine has or have been imported into the province without a swine import permit, the provincial veterinarian or inspector may, by order in writing,
- (a) require the owner of the swine, at the expense of the owner and in the manner and within the time frame specified in the order, to
    - (i) produce for inspection all books, records or other documents relating to the swine,
    - (ii) keep the swine at or move the swine to a particular location,
    - (iii) have the swine examined, tested or treated for named diseases,
    - (iv) obtain a swine import permit with respect to the swine, or
    - (v) remove the swine from the province;
  - (b) prohibit the owner from selling or otherwise disposing of the swine within the time frame or under the conditions specified in the order.

**Service**

- (2) An order made under subsection (1) shall be served by personal service or by registered mail addressed to the person to whom the order is directed at the person's last known address.

**Registered mail**

- (3) An order served by registered mail is deemed to have been served on the day that is five days after the day the notice was sent by registered mail, unless the contrary is proven. *(EC182/19)*

**7. Compliance with order**

Every person to whom an order is directed and served under section 6 shall comply with the order in accordance with its terms. *(EC182/19)*

**8. Order may be carried out by provincial veterinarian**

Where a person does not comply with subsection 3.2(5) of the Act in relation to an order respecting swine or section 7, the provincial veterinarian or an inspector may carry out the order, at the expense of the person to whom the order is directed. *(EC182/19)*

**9. Signs**

The Minister may approve signs to be placed in the province respecting the importation of swine. *(EC182/19)*

**10. Revocation**

The Swine Importation Regulations (EC523/98) are revoked. *(EC182/19)*