



IMPORTANT NOTICE - VSV Outbreak and Health Certificates Information

Region 9 AHA Championship Show Exhibitors,

Please be aware that due to a Vesicular Stomatitis Virus (VSV) outbreak in a few counties within Texas, Arizona and New Mexico the show will be requiring health papers for ALL horses entered in the show.

TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION (TAHC):

Vesicular stomatitis virus (VSV) has been confirmed in Texas, Arizona and New Mexico. There are current movement restrictions on animals entering Texas from a state with VSV confirmations. All equine, bovine, porcine, caprine, ovine, or cervidae from a VSV affected state must have a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 15 days of the date of entry into Texas that states the animal(s) originates from a VSV free premise.

The TAHC today informed us that horses coming to the show from Texas premises must also have a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 15 days of arrival to the show grounds that states the animal(s) originate from a VSV-free premise.

Therefore, ALL horses coming to the Region 9 AHA Championship show this year will be required to have a Health Certificate (certificate of veterinary inspection) issued with 15 days of arrival to the show grounds. The WRMC is requiring that all health papers be checked before horses are unloaded.

Note:

Since VSV has been confirmed in Texas, other states may also impose entry restrictions. If you plan to leave Texas with your livestock, call the state of destination for their entry requirements. For state animal health official contact information, visit: <https://bit.ly/3fZoiq5>

The TAHC will continue to publish weekly updates on the current VSV outbreak as long as confirmations are received. For previous updates and more information, visit: <https://bit.ly/3bKsNBE>

Thank you,

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