

Emergency Import Requirements as of 11/5/09

Equine entering Oklahoma from the following Texas counties:

Kleburg, Brooks, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Nueces and Willacy

Shall be accompanied by:

Oklahoma Entry Permit (call 405-522-6141)

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) dated within 10 days of entry

Negative Piroplasmosis CELISA test within 14 days of entry.

Shall carry an original copy of the test or NVSL accession number.

Statement on CVI by accredited veterinarian:

"I have inspected these animals, they do not originate from an Equine Piroplasmosis quarantined area, do not display clinical signs of Equine Piroplasmosis, were inspected for ticks, including ear ticks, and were treated for ticks at the time of the inspection."

CVI shall include complete information on origin and destination of horse, and the veterinarian

Horses will be inspected for ticks upon arriving in Oklahoma

**BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**



FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASE PROGRAM AMENDED EMERGENCY ORDER

The State Board of Agriculture hereby formulates and maintains a program to assist in the eradication of a foreign animal disease. Equine Piroplasmosis (*Theileria equi*) is a foreign animal disease as defined by the United States Department of Agriculture. This Emergency Order is intended for the specific and limited purpose as set forth herein.

AUTHORIZATION

Under 2 O.S. 2001 § 6-131, *et seq.* (the "Foreign Animal Diseases Act"), the State Board of Agriculture has broad authority to regulate foreign animal diseases within the State of Oklahoma. Moreover, pursuant to 2 O.S. 2001 § 6-133, the State Board of Agriculture has the authority to issue this Emergency Order as follows:

The State Board of Agriculture shall formulate and maintain a program to assist in the eradication and control of any foreign animal disease. The program shall be implemented only in the event there is evidence that a foreign animal disease may affect any livestock or animals of this state. The program shall be based upon an approved plan composed of a plan or combination of plans adopted or recommended by the State Veterinarian and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and approved by the Board.

FINDING OF EMERGENCY

Equine Piroplasmosis (*Theileria equi* or *Theileria caballi*) was confirmed in horses demonstrating clinical symptoms of the disease in Kleberg, Brooks, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Nueces, and Willacy Counties, Texas. Subsequent testing on additional horses at the same locations revealed that numerous exposed horses also are positive pursuant to cELISA testing. The locations where these horses are located are currently under quarantine.

Due to the abundance of national and international horse shows occurring during the months of November and December in the State of Oklahoma, the State Board of Agriculture has determined that evidence exists that Equine Piroplasmosis may affect livestock or animals of Oklahoma.

The program hereby adopted by the State Board of Agriculture is based on a plan adopted or recommended by the State Veterinarian of Oklahoma and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. The plan is outlined in the Terms and Conditions section.

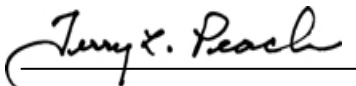
As a result of the foregoing, the State Board of Agriculture determines that an emergency exists requiring the formulation and maintenance of the following eradication and control program.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PURPOSE: This Emergency Order is issued as an emergency measure for the specific and limited purpose of formulation and maintenance of an Equine Piroplasmosis eradication and control program pursuant to the following plan adopted and recommended by the State Veterinarian of Oklahoma and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service:

- Equids originating from any premise under quarantine for Equine Piroplasmosis shall not enter Oklahoma.
- Equids originating from any parts of affected counties or adjacent counties not under quarantine may enter Oklahoma so long as accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection prepared and signed by an accredited veterinarian within ten (10) days prior to entering Oklahoma and containing the following information:
 - A negative Piroplasmosis cELISA test within fourteen (14) days of entry into Oklahoma and including an original copy of the test or NVSL accession number;
 - A negative EIA test within the past twelve (12) months, including an original copy of the test;
 - An Oklahoma entry permit number; and
 - The following statement by the accredited veterinarian signing the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, "I personally inspected these animals and they do not originate from an Equine Piroplasmosis quarantined area, do not display clinical signs of Equine Piroplasmosis, were inspected for ticks, including ear ticks, and were treated for ticks at the time of the inspection."
- The Certificate of Veterinary Inspection shall include all other information otherwise required on the document, including complete identification for each animal listed, complete name, address and telephone number of the consignor, consignee, and accredited veterinarian, the physical address of the equids located in Texas the physical address of the Oklahoma destination.
- National Veterinary Services Laboratory, Ames, Iowa, is the only approved laboratory for Equine Piroplasmosis testing. Samples received in the morning are set up at noon and read the following day. Results are mailed the third day. Request email verification to include complete identification and the accession number.
- Treatment for ticks shall include any topical pyrethroids or equine labeled tick spot on product.
- Upon arriving at the destination in Oklahoma, equids shall be physically examined by an authorized agent of the Board prior to commingling with other equids.

IT IS SO ORDERED AND AMENDED by the State Board of Agriculture on this 5th day of November 2009.



Terry L. Peach, President
State Board of Agriculture