## ALABAMA

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING AIMISSION OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

## GENERAL

- 1. All domestic animals and poultry entering the State of Alabama must conform with Alabama requirements contained herein and be in compliance with Federal regulations.
- 2. All livestock and poultry brought into the state shall be accompanied by an official health certificate stating that the animals are healthy, free from symptoms of infectious or contagious disease and meet the specific requirements stated in these regulations.

An official health certificate is a legible record covering the requirements of the State of Alabama, accomplished on an official form of a standard size from the state of origin and approved by the livestock sanitary official of the state of origin, or an equivalent form from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and issued by an approved, accredited, licensed, graduate veterinarian.

The health certificate shall contain the names and addresses of the consignor and consignee, the origin of the animals, their final destination, and an accurate description or identification of the livestock; also, it shall indicate the health status of the animals involved, including dates and results of required tests and dates of vaccination, if any. All animals shall be consigned to a legal entity authorized by law to do business within the state. Health certificate shall be void thirty (30) days after date of inspection and issuance. No health certificate shall be issued unless it can be issued to comply in all respects with requirements of the State of Alabama, unless otherwise specifically authorized in writing.

- 3. Livestock and poultry from states that do not meet Alabama requirements may not enter Alabama unless a special permit is obtained from the State Veterinarian or his designated representative. Requests for permits shall be directed to the State Veterinarian of Alabama, Department of Agriculture and Industries, P. O. Box 3336, Montgomery, Alabama, 36109, telephone (832-3760) and the following information must be given: (a) name and addresses of the consignor and consignee, (b) number and kind of animals, origin of shipment, proposed date of shipment, method of shipment, proposed destination, approximate date of arrival, and intended purpose of shipment. No blanket permits will be issued. All permits shall be void fifteen (15) days after date of issuance.
- 4. Owners and operators of railway cars, trucks, airplanes, and other conveyances that have been used for movement of any livestock, other animals or poultry infected with or exposed to any infectious, contagious, or communicable disease shall be required to have such cars, trucks, airplanes, and other conveyances thoroughly cleaned and disinfected under official supervision before further use is permissible for the transportation of livestock.