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Subject: UPDATE - Maryland Lifts Intrastate Equine CVI Requirements due to EHV-1 Outbreak

The Maryland State Veterinarian's Office has lifted the requirement for intrastate equine Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVIs), effective February 1, 2026.

Equine Travel Requirements

- Maryland equids traveling within the state must have a valid Coggins test to participate in equine events.
- While not required, it is recommended that horses traveling intrastate do so with a valid CVI or EECVI.
- The use of EECVIs has been reinstated.
- The EHV statement is no longer required on CVIs.
- Interstate Certificates of Veterinary Inspection are required for equids originating outside of Maryland.

Please note that entry requirements for equids may change. It is the responsibility of the owner or shipper to contact the destination state to confirm current requirements prior to travel.

We sincerely appreciate the collaboration of the equine community during the recent EHV-1 outbreak. The proactive efforts of horse owners to implement biosecurity measures and comply with travel documentation played a critical role in preventing disease spread and protecting the health of Maryland's equine industry.

The Maryland Department of Agriculture State Veterinarian's Office can be reached at any time at **410-841-5810**.

Regards,

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