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Effective Immediately - Updates to Maryland Import Requirements d/t Texas and New Mexico New World Screwworm Detections

Import Requirements: Except where more stringent requirements are adopted herein, all animals being imported into Maryland from a high-risk area must meet the requirements for the prevention of disease located in MD Code, Agriculture, [Title 3, Regulation of Livestock and Poultry](#).

All warm-blooded animals, including dogs, cats, and birds originating from the states of **Texas** and **New Mexico** must be accompanied by an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) issued within 72 hours of movement. Hatching and table eggs are exempt from these requirements.

- The OCVI must document that all animals listed on the OCVI have been inspected and found free of contagious and infectious disease and pests, including New World Screwworm (NWS).
- No alternative movement documents, such as an NPIP 9-3, will be accepted in lieu of an OCVI.
- The OCVI must contain a statement from the accredited veterinarian attesting that:

“All animals listed on the OCVI have been examined within 72 hours of movement and none have been found to have a wound infested, or potentially infested, with New World Screwworm.”
- All warm-blooded animals that have wounds that are **not infested** with NWS larvae can be imported into Maryland provided that the following requirements are met:
 - Any animal with a wound must be treated with a [product](#) listed as having an approved, conditionally approved, or emergency use authorization (EUA) for NWS by FDA.
 - The effective treatment for NWS must be administered in accordance with the following:

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- Oral or injected treatments must be administered no less than 12 hours prior to entry into Maryland.
- Topical treatments must be administered no less than 72 hours prior to entry into Maryland.
- The wound location and treatment must be documented on the OCVI.
- **No warm-blooded animals with NWS infestation are allowed to be imported into Maryland.**

The MDA Animal Health program will continue to monitor detections in Texas and New Mexico. Maryland import requirements will be amended or lifted as appropriate.



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