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## TAHC Extends Testing Timeframe for Exhibition Swine Sales

### Non-Exempt Gilts at Swine Exhibition Sales Required to Test Within 60 Days of Change of Ownership

AUSTIN, TX – The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) issued an [executive director waiver allowing 60-day brucellosis and pseudorabies testing for gilt exhibition sales](#) on November 19, 2024. The waiver extends the 30-day testing requirement for non-exempt gilts changing ownership at an exhibition sale to 60 days.

The waiver is issued in accordance with Title 4, Texas Administrative Code, §59.2 and is effective immediately. The waiver will remain in effect until it is rescinded. To ensure that swine sold at exhibitions in Texas are healthy, non-exempt gilts changing ownership at an exhibition sale must meet the requirements included in this waiver.

Under this executive director waiver, gilts include sexually intact female swine that have not yet been bred and include female swine officially validated in accordance with Texas Validation requirements and properly entered into a gilt show and sale.

#### **Brucellosis Testing**

Unless excepted under Title 4, Texas Administrative Code, §55.1, gilt swine must have a negative brucellosis test within 60 days prior to change of ownership at a show and sale.

#### **Pseudorabies Testing**

Unless excepted under Title 4, Texas Administrative Code, §55.1, gilt swine must have a negative pseudorabies test within 60 days prior to change of ownership at a show and sale.

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*The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) was established in 1893 as the Livestock Sanitary Commission and charged with protecting the state's domestic animals "from all contagious or infectious diseases of a malignant character." TAHC remains true to this charge while evolving with the times to protect the health and marketability of all Texas livestock and poultry. Learn more about the TAHC by visiting [www.tahc.texas.gov](http://www.tahc.texas.gov).*