Swine

Swine include all animals from the genus *Porcine*; feral swine included.

For exotic swine (Russian wild boars, African wild pigs, warthogs, etc.) movement requirements, visit the [Exotic Livestock and Ratites Movement Guide](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020).

### Interstate Movement (Out-of-State Moving into Texas)

1. **Prohibited & Restricted Movement:** Any animal that is affected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious, or communicable disease may not enter the state. Entry into Texas may be granted on a case-by-case basis only after permission is granted from the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) Executive Director ([4 TAC §51.15 & §51.14(b)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)). Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.

2. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** A certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) is required within 30 days prior to entry into Texas ([§51.2(b)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)), unless otherwise noted or excepted.
   
   2.1 **Note:** Additional statements or language may be required on the CVI for specific species and diseases ([§51.2(b)(C) & §51.14(a)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)). Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.

   2.2 **Note:** All porcine coming from a vesicular stomatitis virus (VSV) affected state must have a CVI issued within 14 days prior to entry ([§51.7(d)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)).

   2.3 **Note:** Swine imported into Texas for slaughter purposes must either be consigned directly to slaughter or to a federally approved livestock market where a VS 1-27 will be issued to accompany them to slaughter following sale ([§51.14(e)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)).

   2.4 **Exception:** Swine consigned from an out-of-state premises of origin and originate from a Validated and Qualified Herd to a Texas livestock market specifically approved under [Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §71.20 §51.3(a)(11)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020).

   2.5 **Exception:** Please refer to item seven of this document for feral swine requirements.

### Intrastate Movement (Texas Moving within Texas)

1. **Prohibited & Restricted Movement:** Any animal that is under a Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) quarantine cannot be moved from a quarantined area unless movement is authorized by the TAHC Executive Director ([4 TAC §51.5](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)). Contact the TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.

2. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** Unless otherwise noted, swine are not required to obtain a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI).

   2.1 **Note:** Swine must meet the same requirements as for those entering from out-of-state, and be accompanied by a CVI when entering interstate shows, fairs, and exhibitions ([§51.4(b)(3)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)).

3. **Exhibition and Event Requirements:**

   [www.tahc.texas.gov/regs/entry.html#show](https://www.tahc.texas.gov/regs/entry.html#show)

4. **Official Identification Requirements:**

   4.1 Swine tested (for pseudorabies and swine brucellosis ([§55.1(a)(3)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020))) must be officially identified with one of the following ([§55.1(b)(5)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)):

   4.1.1 Official identification eartag approved by the TAHC or USDA ([§55.1(b)(5)](https://law.texas.gov/rules/tac/040/020)).

5. **Testing Requirements:**

   5.1 **Brucellosis:**

   5.1.1 All breeding swine (swine that are sexually intact, parturient, postparturient, or six months of age...
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| 2.6 | **Owner-Shipper Statements:** An owner shipper statement may accompany certain swine in lieu of a CVI in the following instances:  
2.6.1 | Swine delivered to slaughter by the owner or consigned there (§51.3(a)(6)); |
| 3. | **Entry Permit:** An entry permit is required within 15 days prior to entry, unless otherwise excepted. Entry permits may be obtained at any time by calling 512-719-0777, or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777, or by emailing the TAHC at permits@tahc.texas.gov.  
3.1 | Exception: Swine that originate from an approved Swine Commuter Herd or that originate from a Pseudorabies Stage IV or V state or area and Brucellosis free state or area and are not vaccinated for pseudorabies (§51.3(c)(1)). |
| 3.2 | **Owner-Shipper Statements:** An owner shipper statement may accompany certain swine in lieu of an entry permit in the following instances:  
3.2.1 | Swine delivered to slaughter by the owner or consigned there (§51.3(a)(6)). |
| 3.2.2 | Swine consigned from an out-of-state premises of origin and originate from a Validated and Qualified Herd to a Texas livestock market specifically approved under Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations §71.20 (§51.3(a)(11)). |
| 3.3 | **Exception:** Please refer to item seven of this document for feral swine requirements. |
| 3.4 | **Note:** Feeder swine not known to be infected with or exposed to pseudorabies, and originate from a state not classified as Stage IV or V, that are exempt from the PRV retest may enter on an entry permit from the TAHC if they are destined directly to a designated feedlot and remain restricted to the feedlot until they are sent to slaughter (§51.14(b)(1)). |
| 4. | **Official Identification:** All swine must be permanently identified with one of the following:  
4.1 | Official identification eartag approved by the TAHC or USDA (§51.14(a)(5)(A)); |
| 4.2 | Ear notching, if the ear notching has been recorded in the book of record of a purebred registry association (§51.14(a)(5)(B)); |

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| 5.2 | **Pseudorabies:**  
5.2.1 | All breeding swine must test negative for pseudorabies within 30 days prior to change of ownership (§55.1(b)(1)), unless otherwise excepted.  
5.2.1.1 | **Exception:** Swine from herds with a current disease-free status (§55.1(b)(1)). |
| 6. | **Feral Swine Movement:**  
6.1 | Requirements apply to any person who traps feral swine and moves live feral swine from the premises where the feral swine were trapped or otherwise captured (§55.9(b)).  
6.2 | Movement of live feral swine is prohibited unless authorized in the following instances (§55.9(b)):  
6.2.1 | Feral swine moved directly from the premises where they were trapped to a recognized slaughter facility (§55.9(b)(1)); |
| 6.2.2 | Feral swine moved directly from the premises where they were trapped to an approved holding facility (§55.9(b)(2)); |
| 6.2.3 | Feral swine moved directly from the premises where they were trapped to an authorized hunting preserve (§55.9(b)(3)); |
| 6.2.4 | Feral swine moved from an approved holding facility to a recognized slaughter facility (§55.9(b)(4)); |
| 6.2.5 | Feral swine moved from an approved holding facility to an authorized hunting preserve (§55.9(b)(5)); |
| 6.2.6 | Feral swine moved from an approved holding facility to another approved holding facility (§55.9(b)(6)); |

This is an unofficial summary of TAHC movement requirements. Visit the Texas Administrative Code, Title 4, Part 2 for official requirements: [Visit the Texas Administrative Code, Title 4, Part 2](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac?ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=3&ti=4&pt=2).
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4.3 Tattoos on the ear or inner flank, if the tattoos have been recorded in the book of record of a swine registry association (§51.14(a)(5)(C)); or
4.4 Any other official identification device or method that is approved by the TAHC (§51.14(a)(5)(D)).

5. **Testing and Vaccination Requirements:**

5.1 **Brucellosis:**

5.1.1 Unless excepted below, breeding swine (sexually intact swine, six months of age or older) must have a negative brucellosis test within the previous 30 days prior to entry (§51.14(c)).

5.1.1.1 **Exception:** Breeding swine originating from a validated brucellosis-free herd or state and vaccinated within the previous 30 days with Leptospirosis vaccine containing the following strains: Canicola, Hardjo, Icterohaemorrhagiae, Grippotyphosa, and Pomona (§51.14(c)).

5.2 **Leptospirosis**

5.2.1 Breeding swine (sexually intact swine, six months of age or older) must have a Leptospirosis vaccination within the previous 30 days prior to entry (§51.14(c)).

5.3 **Pseudorabies:**

5.3.1 Unless excepted below, swine must have a negative pseudorabies test within 30 days prior to entry and then held in isolation and under quarantine on the premise where first unloaded and tested or retested for pseudorabies in not less than 30 nor more than 60 days after arrival (§51.14(b)(1)).

5.3.1.1 **Exception:** Swine originating from a pseudorabies qualified herd or a Stage IV or V state (§51.14(b)(1)).

6. **Other Requirements:**

6.1 **Feral Swine Shipped Directly to Slaughter:**

Feral swine must be shipped in a sealed vehicle accompanied by a VS 1-27 permit with the seal number noted on the permit also providing the number of head on the permit (§51.3(a)(9)).

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6.2.7 Feral swine that have been trapped and are held for transportation to an authorized location, listed above, may be held in an escape-proof cage on the vehicle or trailer that transported them from the premises where they were trapped, or held within the transport trailer itself for up to seven days (§55.9(b)(7)).
**International Movement** (Swine moved into Texas from foreign countries)

Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for international animal requirements.
- For Export call 512-383-2411
- For Import call 301-851-3300