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## **Export of Horses from the United States to Mexico**

### **Download the form needed to get your animal into the country**

- Go to [www.aphis.usda.gov](http://www.aphis.usda.gov) and follow the links in the left column – please note our website is undergoing constant change and previously bookmarked links very well may not work – at the time of preparing this document the link [here](#) takes you directly to the animal export IREGS.
- Click on Mexico. Please read all the information in the horse section.
- Use the certificate for Horses for Permanent or Temporary Entry from states free of CEM

### **Completing the health certificate**

- Leave the health certificate number blank; this will be added by USDA personnel.
- Ensure complete addresses are listed for the exporter and the importer. The exporter address must be a Texas address and the state of origin must be Texas if our office is endorsing.
- Complete the animal identification information. List ages in “months” or “years.”
- **DO NOT USE ANY ABBREVIATIONS! Mexico will not accept QH for Quarter Horse, or M for male – NO ABBREVIATIONS ALLOWED– CERTIFICATE MUST BE TYPED**
- Ensure the description(s) typed on the certificate matches the Coggins.
- Number 1: Enter Texas (may already be entered on the Word version).
- Number 5: Type the words “Free of ectoparasites”.
- Number 7: Type the name of the official laboratory and the date of the test. This date must be within 60 days prior to exportation.
- Type the inspection date and the accredited veterinarian’s name.
- Type the issue date of the certificate next to the veterinarian’s signature.
- Complete an addendum for each horse (you **must** complete one for ALL horses, including those that have a tattoo or microchip); descriptions must be typed; drawings may be done by hand.
- **Type a page number on each page.** (Ex: page 1 of 2).

### **Documents required by the USDA’s Office:**

- One original **typed** certificate without any deletions. Do not use **ANY** abbreviations!
- EIA (Coggins or ELISA) tests must be submitted as required. The tests must be signed in blue ink by the veterinarian submitting the certificate.

### **Fee Schedule for endorsement by USDA:**

Tests: (1-2) \$121.00 for the first animal and \$7.00 for each additional animal (on same cert). Make checks and money orders payable to: USDA, APHIS. All credit cards are accepted. Cash is not accepted. Please include a driver’s license number on all checks.

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### **Export of Horses from the United States to Mexico (continued)**

#### **Send your certificate(s) and payment to:**

USDA, APHIS VS, 903 San Jacinto Blvd, Export Section, Room 262, Austin, TX 78701

**ONLY SEND CERTIFICATES HERE IF SIGNED BY A TEXAS VETERINARIAN**

Completed certificates will be returned to you by regular mail unless a prepaid, preaddressed, (addressed from you to you), air bill is provided. **WE CANNOT ACCEPT A HANDWRITTEN LABEL UNLESS THERE IS AN ACCOUNT NUMBER LISTED FOR PAYMENT.** Always keep the tracking numbers so you can check with the delivery service to find out the status of your documents.

#### **Walk-ins**

We accept walk-ins between 7:30am and 11:30am. We can also either call you when your documents are completed or you may leave a prepaid, pre-addressed return air bill. Our office is open from 7:30am to 4:00pm M-F.

#### **Miscellaneous Information**

- All horses entering Mexico must be free of ticks.

#### **Contact Information – TEXAS CLIENTS ONLY!**

Phone: 512-383-2411 Fax: 512 -916-5591 E-mail: [expcerttx@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:expcerttx@aphis.usda.gov)

Website: click [here](#) (if the link doesn't work please contact us for a current link)

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