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TRAVELING WITH YOUR HORSE IN NEW MEXICO.

New Mexico offers a variety of equine events and trail rides. In order to insure a safe and enjoyable outing please be aware of the following guidelines.

Currently, New Mexico has two premises under quarantine for Vesicular Stomatitis (VS). They are in the Ft. Sumner area in De Baca County. The positive VS cases were confirmed in horses. This has impacted out-of-state travel and travel and exhibition within New Mexico.

*****Travel restrictions*****

All horses leaving Livestock District 15 MUST have a brand inspection.

ALL New Mexico horses entering exhibitions or competitive events where out-of-state horses will be competing are required to have Certificates of Veterinary Inspection dated within 7 days of arrival at the event and containing a statement that the horses are not from a premise under quarantine for VS and have no signs of VS.

To comply with New Mexico Livestock Board Rules and to protect the safety of your horse, the following is recommended:

INTERSTATE TRAVEL (OUT OF STATE):

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) no older than 30 days or as required by the state of destination. **Because of VS, many states have imposed time constraints on the CVI. Some must be dated within as little as 48 hours of entry.** CALL THE STATE VETERINARIAN IN THE STATE OF DESTINATION FOR THEIR MOST CURRENT REQUIREMENTS.
2. Animals being transported to other states may be subject to additional import regulations and testing imposed by the state of destination. It is extremely important that the state of destination is contacted IN ADVANCE for their current import requirements. **THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF THE STATE HAVING A CONFIRMED VS CASE.**
3. For events and exhibitions in New Mexico, a negative "Coggins" test (for EIA) within past twelve months. ***If there will be out-of-state horses at the event your horse will also require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health certificate) with a statement that the animals on the certificate are not from a premise under quarantine for VS and have no signs or lesions of VS.***
4. Negative "Coggins" test (for EIA) within 3 to 12 months, depending on the state.
5. Proof of ownership: bill of sale, registration papers.
6. All equid animals residing in New Mexico over 30 days require a brand inspection.

INTRASTATE TRAVEL (WITHIN NEW MEXICO):

1. Proof of ownership: bill of sale, registration papers (within district).
2. Brand inspection 'Form 1' or permanent hauling papers (1h). Brand inspection 'Form 1' or permanent hauling papers (1h). Currently all horses moving out of NMLB Livestock Inspection District 15, even if the owner has permanent hauling papers.
3. For events and exhibitions a negative "Coggins" test (for EIA) within past twelve months.

RECOMMENDED: ANNUAL VACCINATIONS

1. West Nile and encephalitic viruses.
2. Respiratory diseases: Rhinopneumonitis and equine influenza.
3. *Strep. equi*, "strangles" is present in many areas.
4. Rabies is recommended for many areas within the state of New Mexico.

Contact a veterinarian in the area that you plan to take your horse to obtain specific recommendations.