



Entry Requirements for Ropers



As winter is upon us and roping season has started, we want to remind everyone of the entry requirements for roping cattle along with horses that will be spending their time in Arizona over the colder months or permanently. Equine entry requirements are a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) and a negative Coggins test within the last 12 months. Beef steers are required to have an entry permit number and a CVI. If the steers are going to exhibition, they will also need to be individually ID'd with a federal eartag. Veterinarians who are writing the CVI's from the state of origin to Arizona are encouraged to call our State Veterinarian's Office at 602-542-4293 if there are

ever any questions on what the entry requirement is for any livestock coming into our state. Entry requirements for horses and cattle, along with any other livestock, can be found on our website at: <https://agriculture.az.gov/animals/state-veterinarians-office/animal-importation-requirements>.

Trich

Trichomoniasis (commonly referred to as "Trich") is a venereal disease of cattle, which is transmitted by bulls. The most common sign of Trich in a herd is an increase in the number of open (not pregnant) cows that can wax and wane for many years prior to diagnosis. However, in some ranches, the only sign that Trich has affected the herd is a calving season that is much longer than normal. From November 2016 to present, Arizona had a 12.6% Trich prevalence in herds that reported results. Please note that it is not required to report negative Trich testing results to the State Veterinarian's Office so actual prevalence is likely lower in the state. Currently, there is no Trich disease control program within the state of Arizona. However, in working with the cattle industry, we have written a proposed Trich rule. Essentially the rule states that a producer within the state of Arizona will be required to test their bull for Trich prior to that bull changing ownership or going to an auction. If that bull is positive, the rest of the bulls in that herd will need to be tested. The rule does not require a yearly Trich test of breeding bulls that is common in many other states. We will keep you posted as the proposed rule works its way through the process.



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Employee Spotlight



Livestock Officer Stephanie Teskey graduated from the police academy and took the oath of office on November 21st at Glendale Community College. She started

employment with us almost exactly a year ago as a Livestock Inspector. She is a 6th generation rancher off of the Dugas Ranch in Central Arizona and has a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture Business from Colorado State University.

She has trained horses and competed in rodeos around the state her entire life and prior to her employment with the Department, worked as a large animal veterinary technician in Prescott. According to Officer Teskey, she loves her job and feels fortunate to combine her passion for animal health and production agriculture all into one job. It took a lot of hard work and dedication, and we are extremely proud of what Officer Teskey has accomplished.



From Left: Ofc. Garrett Lacey, Ofc. Ron Hirsh, Sara Burris, Ofc. Jake Woehlecke, Ofc. Stephanie Teskey, Assoc. Director Leatta McLaughlin, Cpt. Richard Shore, Lt. Darrel Hale

South Korea Egg Program Audit



During the month of November, two South Korean government auditors visited Arizona. The purpose of this visit was to verify that the Arizona Department of Agriculture's Egg Program and Arizona egg producers meet the provisions of the export agreement. The auditors liked what they saw during the audit and were satisfied with the performance of Arizona's egg producers and the Department's Egg Program. We received positive feedback from the auditors, the USDA Federal State Supervisor, Kellie Anderson, and the new Regional Director, Mr. Mark Perigen, for a job well done! This was a big event for all of us, which reflects the dedication and commitment of our employees to the Egg Program. Thank you for a job well done!

Fence Out State



Did you know that Arizona is a fence out state (commonly referred to as open range)? This means that if you do not want livestock on your personal property, you, as the property owner, are responsible for fencing the livestock out with a legal fence as defined in ARS § 3-1426. This does not apply to property owners who live in cities that have adopted their own ordinances concerning open range.



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