September 28, 2010

Dear Accredited Veterinarian:

Subject: California Use of the U.S. Interstate and International Certificates of Health Examination for Small Animals (APHIS Form 7001)

Due to an increase in fraudulent acts associated with the unnumbered Certificate for Interstate Movement of Small Animals (CDFA Form 77-043), the California Department of Food and Agriculture no longer provides Form 77-043 for use.

Effective January 1, 2011, the United States Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals (APHIS Form 7001) is the small animal health certificate for use by California accredited veterinarians. To obtain an order of the APHIS Form 7001, FAX, E-mail, or mail an Order Request to:

United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service - Veterinary Services
10365 Old Placerville Road, Suite 210
Sacramento, California 95827
Telephone: (916) 854-3900
FAX: (916) 363-1125
E-Mail: VSCA@aphis.usda.gov

Your order will be shipped UPS Ground. Allow 10 business days for delivery. For your convenience, the APHIS Form 7001 Order Request Form is available on the California Department of Food and Agriculture website.

For your reference, a guidance document, General Animal Movement Information For Accredited Veterinarians, follows. For further assistance please contact the Animal Health Branch at (916) 654-1447.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Animal Health Branch
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GENERAL ANIMAL MOVEMENT INFORMATION
FOR ACCREDITED VETERINARIANS

A. Resources for Animal Movement Requirements

1. Obtain information for **interstate** movement requirements for animals from:
   - the state of destination for the animals
   - CDFA website [http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/Permits.html](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/Permits.html)

2. Obtain information for **international** movement requirements for animals from:
   - United States Department of Agriculture
     Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service- Veterinary Services
     10365 Old Placerville Road, Suite 210 • Sacramento, CA 95827
     Telephone: (916) 854-3900 • Fax: (916) 363-1125

3. Obtain airline-specific requirements from the airline carrier to be used for movement of small animals by air. Some airline carriers have additional required statements of health for inclusion on the Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals (APHIS Form 7001).

B. Responsibilities of Accredited Veterinarians Preparing Certificates of Veterinary Inspection

1. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CDFA Form 77-010) and Certificates of Health Examination for Small Animals (APHIS Form 7001):
   - Must be completed in compliance with federal requirements (9 CFR Part 161)
   - Must comply with the requirements of the state of destination and airline if shipment is by air
   - Must be complete and legible.

2. Distribution of Completed Certificates
   - U.S. Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals (APHIS Form 7001)
     - For **interstate movement**, distribute the Parts 1-6 of the Form 7001 to the recipient designated in RED on the lower right hand corner of each part. **Note**: Send Part 4 to the State Veterinarian in the State of Destination.
     - For **international movement** of small animals from the United States, the completed and signed U.S. Interstate and International Certificate of Health
Examination for Small Animals (Form 7001) must be endorsed by a USDA APHIS Veterinary Services area office to be valid.

- Certificates are valid for 30 days after the date of animal inspection.

- California Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (Form 77-010) for Livestock and Poultry
  1. Distribute the form parts as indicated on the form
  2. Send White and Yellow pages of completed certificates to AHB Headquarters within 10 days of examination.
  3. Certificates are valid for 30 days after the date of animal inspection.

D. Ordering Certificates

1. Order Certificates of Veterinary Inspection – Livestock and Poultry (CDFA Form 77-010) from:

   California Department of Food and Agriculture
   Animal Health & Food Safety Services-Animal Health Branch
   1220 N Street, Room A-107 • Sacramento, CA 95814
   Telephone: (916) 654-1447
   E-Mail: ahbfeedback@cdfa.ca.gov


   In California, send a Form 7001 Order Request Form by U.S. Mail, FAX, or E-mail.

   Mail: USDA/APHIS/VS
   10365 Old Placerville Road, Suite 210
   Sacramento, CA 95827

   FAX Order Request to: USDA/APHIS/VS at 916-363-3791

   E-Mail to: VSCA@aphis.usda.gov

   Form 7001 Orders are sent UPS Ground. Allow 10 business days for delivery.

   To obtain an Order Request Form for APHIS FORM 7001