

**TRANSPORTING YOUR HORSE INTO MONTANA & IDAHO**  
and  
**Transporting Your Horse With In the State of Montana**

**For the 2010 ApHC Chief Joseph Trail Ride**

**Always contact the necessary authorities before transporting your horse across state lines in order to determine regulations and ensure that you meet all requirements for transportation of animals.**

**Note:** If your horse is being transported from **Arizona** or **Texas**, there are additional requirements **in order to enter Montana**. Please read below for details.

Click on this link for up-to-the-minute requirements for the State of Montana:

[http://liv.mt.gov/liv/AH/import/import\\_intro.asp](http://liv.mt.gov/liv/AH/import/import_intro.asp)

If your horse is being transported from **Arizona**, there are additional **requirements in order to enter Idaho**. Please read below for details. You can also visit the Idaho Department of Agriculture Web site for additional details.

Click on this link for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture:

<http://www.agri.state.id.us/>

**Montana & Idaho State Requirements**

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Certificate) issued/dated within the past 30 days.
2. Negative Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA or Coggins) test issued within the past 12 months (original document only; a faxed document is acceptable; photocopies are not acceptable).
3. Montana Import Permit (state entry permit – see below)
4. Brand Inspection for Montana (see below)

**Montana Brand Inspectors will be checking all documents Sun. July 18 at assembly camp.**

1. Get your health certificate and Coggins done before hand by your veterinarian.
2. Call the Montana Entry Permit Office (State Vet's office) at 406-444-2976 to get your entry/import permit number over the phone. Your veterinarian can do this when issuing your horse's health certificate, but you can also call yourself if need be. Montana Import Permits are to gain entry into Montana. The permits are only good for 10 days after issue, so you must time your call for the permit within 10 days of entering Montana. However, if you will be traveling for a longer period beforehand, ask for an extended permit (30 day) and they will give you one. Have the following information ready when you call:
  - Owner Name, Address, Phone Number
  - Horse Residential Address (if different)
  - Horse Sex, Age, Breed
  - Destination Address: M.D. Peterson Ranch, Wisdon, MT.
3. Record your entry permit number on your horse's health certificate.
4. Brand Inspection
  - a. Get a Brand Inspection done by your state brand office. Lifetime brand inspections from your state will be honored by Montana. Brand inspections are required by Montana to cross county lines and to leave the state.

- b. If your state or province does not have brand laws, you will have to get an inspection done at check in. Montana state brand inspectors will be issuing brand inspection permits on Sunday, July 18. If you need one, the fee will be \$6 for a temporary permit; \$25 for a lifetime brand inspection permit. They can accept checks or cash only; no credit cards. The lifetime inspection permits can only be issued to horses from states or provinces without brand inspection laws.
- c. If your horse(es) is originating in Montana you must obtain a brand inspection before crossing county lines.

The following items are required for the brand inspection:

1. Current Health Certificate
2. Montana State Import Permit number (see above)
3. Proof of negative Coggins
4. The horse, of course!
5. A copy of your horse's ApHC Certificate of Registration for check-in at Assembly Camp.

If your horse is **entering Idaho originating from ARIZONA:**

**In May 2010** Arizona was confirmed to have Vesicular Stomatitis (VS). This adds the following requirements to all livestock entering Idaho from that state:

- All livestock require an entry permit issued by the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Industries.
- All livestock require the following statement be recorded on their CVI "All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection have been examined and found to be free from Vesicular Stomatitis. During the last thirty (30) days; these animals have neither been exposed to Vesicular Stomatitis nor located within an area where Vesicular Stomatitis has been diagnosed."

Idaho State Department of Agriculture at **(208) 332-8540** or **(208) 332-8560**.

If your horse is **entering Montana originating from ARIZONA:**

The following statement is required on your Health Inspection papers certified by your Veterinarian.

- "The animal(s) represented on this certificate have not originated from a premises or area under quarantine or under investigation for vesicular stomatitis (VS) and there has been no known exposure to vesicular stomatitis in the past 30 days. I have examined the animal(s) within the last 72 hours and found no signs of VS".

If your horse is entering **Montana originating from TEXAS:**

- The following veterinarian's statement is required on your CVI: "The equine represented on this certificate do not originate from one of the Piroplasmosis affected or quarantined premises in Texas."

Montana Entry Permit Office (State Vet's office) at **406-444-2976**.