South Carolina Exporting Requirements following USDA APHIS VS Federal Order Movement Requirements for HPAI H5N1 Virus Affecting Lactating Dairy Cows

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Are the asymptomatic dairy cows lactating*?

- NO: No movement restrictions. Normal export requirements.**
  
  Are the asymptomatic lactating dairy cows moving across state lines?

  - NO: No movement restrictions. Normal export requirements.**
  
  Are the asymptomatic lactating dairy cows moving direct to out-of-state slaughter?

  - NO: Requires an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) or an Alternative Movement Document*** approved by both state animal health officials.

  - YES: The lactating dairy cows are ineligible for interstate movement.

  Are the asymptomatic lactating dairy cows moving to an in-state market before moving to direct out-of-state slaughter?

  - NO: Requires an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) or an Alternative Movement Document*** approved by both state animal health officials.

  - YES: The lactating dairy cows are ineligible for interstate movement.

For other interstate movements, sample collection and testing must take place within seven days prior to interstate movement. Cows are required to receive negative test results for Influenza A at the Clemson Veterinary Diagnostic Center (an approved National Animal Health Laboratory Network lab) that are recorded on the ICVI accompanying the animals.

* - Lactating dairy cows are currently in one of the lactation phases (e.g., early, mid, and late) of their current production cycle. Nonlactating dairy cows include heifers, dry cows, and bull calves.

** - Contact the state of destination or visit InterstateLivestock.com to see if there are additional conditions for entry.

*** - Contact Clemson University Livestock Poultry Health’s Animal Disease Traceability Unit at (803) 726-7805 or (803) 726-7832. All ICVIs may only have official identification. Alternative movement documents may have official identification or back tags.

**** - Contact the Clemson Veterinary Diagnostic Center at (803) 721-7831 for testing information.

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