

I have been asked to provide Missouri's entry requirements for rabbits. The regulations for movement into and within Missouri can be found on the Missouri Secretary of State website under Code of State Regulations, Title 2, Division 30, Chapter 2 (2 CSR 30-2). I have included only those sections relating to rabbits coming into Missouri in this email.

The following is the entry requirement for miscellaneous and exotic animals (which includes rabbits) entering Missouri:

#### 2 CSR 30-2.010 Health Requirements Governing the Admission of Livestock, Poultry, and Exotic Animals Entering Missouri

(16) Miscellaneous and Exotic Animals. All exotic animals must be accompanied by an official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection showing an individual listing of the common name(s) of the animal(s) and appropriate descriptions of animal(s) such as sex, age, weight, coloration, and the permanent identification.

Health certificates are good for 30 days and must be written by an accredited veterinarian.

The following additional requirements for rabbits were implemented in July 2020 in response to the outbreak of Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease:

2 CSR 30-2.016 Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Import Restrictions on Rabbits and Hares Entering Missouri  
PURPOSE: This rule is necessary to restrict the movement of rabbits and hares into Missouri due to the recent diagnosis of Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease in the United States. (1) No rabbits or hares may enter Missouri if the animals have originated from a state or country where Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD) has been diagnosed in the prior twelve (12) months unless they meet the following requirements: (A) Must obtain an entry permit; and (B) Must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection from an accredited veterinarian that states— 1. All rabbits and hares in the shipment have been examined within seventy-two (72) hours of shipment for and found free of communicable diseases and have originated from a single premises that has no signs of a communicable disease; 2. There has been no movement of rabbits and hares onto the originating premises within thirty (30) days prior to shipment; and 3. No rabbits or hares in the shipment have had contact with wild rabbits or hares within thirty (30) days prior to shipment.

Permits are only required for those rabbits coming from a state affected by Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease within the past 12 months.