

Specialty Livestock Resource Guide



The Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) is devoted to the total support of agriculture in Kansas. While we must fulfill our statutory obligations, the department is dedicated to providing support and assistance to make Kansas farms, ranches and agribusinesses successful and help them grow if that is their desire. We also encourage more farms, ranches and other agriculture businesses to expand in or relocate to Kansas. In addition to license requirements by KDA, other Kansas agencies, as well as local or federal government agencies, may have regulatory requirements to follow. Contact your local planning authority to ensure you follow all local business development laws, rules, regulations and guidelines. This guide is designed to assist you as you buy, sell, import or export specialty livestock.

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	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	<p>BISON All bison imported into Kansas require a permit number. Please use the online permitting system or call the Kansas Import Desk at 785-564-6616</p> <p>Bison imported into Kansas from another state must be accompanied by a completed Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate) signed by an accredited veterinarian. The CVI must have been issued within 30 days prior to the animal's movement into Kansas.</p> <p>Official identification (official USDA ear tag) must be individually listed on the accompanying CVI. A list of official identification ear tags can be found here.</p> <p>Free-ranging bison from the Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) are not permitted in Kansas.</p> <p>Domestic bison from the DSA under 12 months of age intended for feeding: Import Permit. CVI. Individual Official identification required on all domestic bison originating from the DSA. Include statement on the CVI verifying that each animal has official identification; however, the IDs do not need to be listed on the CVI. <i>Exemptions: Steers and spayed heifers do not have to be officially identified unless they are an exhibition animal.</i></p> <p>Domestic bison from the DSA 12 months of age or older and sexually intact, all breeding animals, AND exhibition animals: Import Permit. CVI with Official Identification individually listed. Include statement on CVI that each animal being moved meets one of the following requirements: Originates and moves directly from a USDA certified brucellosis free herd in the state of origin; OR Originates and moves directly from a herd that has had a negative whole-herd test for brucellosis in the previous 12 months and date of test listed on CVI; OR Has tested negative in the previous 30 days and date of qualifying test listed on CVI.</p> <p>For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health webpage or call (785) 564-6601.</p>	
	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	<p>CAMELIDS: imported into Kansas from another state must be accompanied by a completed Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate) signed by an accredited veterinarian. The CVI must have been issued within 30 days prior to the animal's movement into Kansas.</p> <p>Official identification is required for camelids entering Kansas. This identification must be listed individually on the CVI. Individual identification methods include official USDA ear tags or microchips. Click here for a list of official ear tags.</p> <p>For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health webpage or call (785) 564-6601.</p>	
	Kansas Tourism Kansas Department of Commerce www.travelks.com	<p>Register the agritourism destination with Kansas Tourism when the agritourism business is ready to launch. Registration is voluntary; however, benefits of registration include assistance in promotion of the agritourism operation and limited liability protection with posted signage through the Agritourism Promotion Act. For more information, visit the Kansas Agritourism website or call (785) 296-8478.</p>	Renewal every 5 years

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	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	<p>EQUIDAE imported into Kansas from another state must be accompanied by a completed Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate) signed by an accredited veterinarian. A description of the horse including identifiers such as brand, lip tattoo, microchip, registration number must be listed on the CVI. The CVI must have been issued within 30 days prior to the animal's movement into Kansas.</p> <p>Kansas accepts the Extended Equine CVI (EECVI) for horses imported into Kansas from origin states that have also approved the use of the EECVI. Currently, the only company offering an EECVI option is Global VetLink. Please contact the company for additional information including an up-to-date list of participating states.</p> <p>A negative EIA test is required within 12 months prior to entry.</p> <p>Approved tests include the AGID test (Coggins) and ELISA test recorded on a VS Form 10-11.</p> <p>The EIA lab, type of test, date and accession number must be listed on the CVI or a copy of the current Coggins must be provided to the state office with the CVI (VS Form 10-11).</p> <p>Exceptions: Foals under six months of age that are nursing their EIA negative mares are not required to be tested.</p> <p>For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health webpage, or call (785) 564-6601.</p>	
	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	<p>SHEEP AND/OR GOAT: All sheep and goats imported into Kansas from another state must be accompanied by a completed Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate) signed by an accredited veterinarian. The CVI must have been issued within 30 days prior to the animal's movement into Kansas. Official individual identification must be listed on the CVI.</p> <p>Exemptions: Lambs and kids under eight weeks of age accompanying their dams, and wethers under 18 months of age are exempt from official identification requirements unless they are an exhibition animal.</p> <p>Facilities operating as sheep and/or goat feedlots are required to be licensed. A feedlot is defined as a livestock feedlot or feed yard with more than 999 animal units of livestock at one time during the license year or any other livestock feedlot whose operator elects to come under the act.</p> <p>For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health by calling (785) 564-6601.</p>	
	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	<p>RABBITS: All rabbits imported into Kansas from another state must be accompanied by a completed Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate) signed by an accredited veterinarian. The CVI must have been issued within 30 days prior to the animal's movement into Kansas.</p> <p>For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health webpage or call (785) 564-6601.</p>	
	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	<p>RATITES: Ratites include exotic fowl with flat breastbone and small or non-existent wings including Emu, Kiwi, Ostrich, Rheas. Entry requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Permit Number. Permanent Identification (tattoo or microchip) listed on the CVI. Free of infectious, contagious diseases. <p>For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health webpage, or call (785) 564-6601.</p>	

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Organization	Specie(s)	Website or Contact Info
Livestock Conservancy USDA Specialty Livestock	All	https://livestockconservancy.org https://www.nal.usda.gov/afsic/specialty-livestock
Kansas Buffalo Association National Bison Association	Bison	https://www.kansasbuffalo.org/ https://bisoncentral.com/
Alpaca Owners Association, Inc Golden Plains Llama Llama Association of North America	Camelids	https://www.alpacainfo.com/ https://www.alpacainfo.com/ https://www.lanainfo.org/
American Cervid Alliance Kansas Elk and Deer Association	Cervids	http://www.americancervidalliance.org/contact_us.cfm https://www.kansaselkanddeer.com/index.cfm
AgMRC-Goats American Boer Goat Association American Dairy Goat Association American Goat Federation International Nubian Breeders Association Kansas Meat Goat Association Mohair Council of America American Kiko Goat Association	Goats	https://www.agmrc.org/commodities-products/livestock/goats https://abga.org/ https://adga.org/ https://americangoatfederation.org/ https://www.i-n-b-a.org/officers.htm https://www.kmgaonline.org/ https://www.mohairusa.com/ https://kikogoats.com/
AgMRC-Rabbits American Rabbit Breeders Association Kansas State Rabbit Breeders Association	Rabbits	https://www.agmrc.org/commodities-products/livestock/rabbits https://arba.net/ http://www.ksrba.com/
AgMRC-Ostrich & Emu American Emu Association American Ostrich Association World Ostrich Association	Ratites	https://www.agmrc.org/commodities-products/livestock/ostrich-and-emu-53585 https://aea-emu.org/ https://ostriches.org/ https://worldostrich.org/
Kansas State Sheep and Goat Extension	Small Ruminants	https://ksusheepandgoat.home.blog/
AgMRC-Lamb Associated Registry Kansas Sheep	Sheep	https://www.agmrc.org/commodities-products/livestock/lamb http://www.associatedregistry.com/ http://www.kssheep.com/