

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 576.129.

Section 1. NAC 576.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

576.200 A person shall not import any alternative livestock into this state unless:

1. He holds a permit for those alternative livestock, which describes their destination in this state.
2. Each animal is identified by an identification device and entry number.
3. He holds a health certificate for each animal, which identifies the animal by its identification device and entry number, and which contains:
 - (a) The dates and results of the tests required by this section;
 - (b) The certifications required by this section; and
 - (c) Any other information required by the department.
4. Each animal is certified by a veterinarian as having originated from a herd that, for the 12 months before the entry of the animal into this state:
 - (a) Has been free from tuberculosis and brucellosis; and
 - (b) Is not known to have been exposed to infection by *Mycobacterium johnes* or *Parelaphostrongylus tenuis*.

5. Each animal which is 6 months of age or older is certified by a veterinarian as having reacted negatively, within 30 days before its entry into this state, to:

- (a) Two official tests for brucellosis, including a complement fixation test; and
- (b) An official single cervical test for tuberculosis.

6. If the alternative livestock are Rocky Mountain elk (*Cervus elaphus nelsoni*), each animal is certified not to be a hybrid with any other cervid species or subspecies by a laboratory for genetic testing which is recognized by the administrator of the division of animal industry of the department. To issue the certification, the laboratory must use the most ~~current~~ recent and scientifically accepted genetic tests available.

7. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the alternative livestock are Rocky Mountain elk (Cervus elaphus nelsoni), a veterinarian certifies that each animal originates from a herd which is participating in an official program for monitoring chronic wasting disease and that chronic wasting disease has not been diagnosed in that herd for the 5 years immediately preceding the date the alternative livestock are imported into this state. The administrator of the division of animal industry of the department may waive the requirements of this subsection if an official ante mortem test for chronic wasting disease is available on or before the date the alternative livestock are imported into this state and each animal tests negative for chronic wasting disease using that test.