**Chapter 16-70 WAC**

**ANIMAL DISEASES—REPORTING**

**WAC 16-70-005 Definitions.**

For the purpose of this chapter:

"Animal" means any animal species except fish and insects including all those so classified as wild, captive wild, exotic wild, alternative livestock, semidomesticated, domestic or farm.


"OIE" means Office International des Epizooties. The OIE is the World Organization of Animal Health.

"Reportable disease list" means the list of diseases that include the OIE notifiable disease list and other diseases listed in this chapter.

"Veterinary laboratory" means a place equipped for performing diagnostic or investigative procedures on submitted specimens from animals and fish by personnel whose primary duties are to conduct such procedures.

**WAC 16-70-010 Requirements for reporting diseases that are on the OIE notifiable disease list.**

(1) Any veterinary laboratory or person licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Washington shall immediately report to the office of the state veterinarian the existence or suspected existence among any animals within the state of any reportable or notifiable diseases as published by the OIE (effective May 2013) or in this chapter.


(a) A case means an individual animal affected by one of the diseases listed on the OIE notifiable disease list or a disease listed in this chapter.

(b) The criterion by which "affected" is defined for each disease (for example: Clinical signs, serological evidence, etc.) is found in the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* and *Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals*.

(c) The OIE *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* can be found on the internet [http://www.oie.int/en/international-standard-setting/terrestrial-code/access-online/](http://www.oie.int/en/international-standard-setting/terrestrial-code/access-online/). The *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* is available in web format; a hard copy version may be ordered from OIE.

(3) In addition to the diseases published on the OIE notifiable disease list, the state veterinarian may request reports on other diseases of concern from a statistical or survey standpoint associated with overall disease control measures.

(4) Any veterinarian or veterinary laboratory may report to the office of the state veterinarian any of the diseases listed in subsection (5) of this section. Reports may be faxed to 360-902-2087 or sent to:

Washington State Department of Agriculture
Animal Services Division
1111 Washington Street S.E.
P.O. Box 42577
Olympia, Washington 98504-2577

(3) In addition to reporting requirements listed in the chart below, laboratories must send to the office of the state veterinarian reports of cultures of isolates from *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, *Cryptococcus* excluding confirmed *Cryptococcus neoformans*, and Vancomycin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* immediately after they are identified or the next business day.

(4) Veterinary laboratory directors must submit positive specimens of the diseases listed in subsection (3) of this sec-
tion and any requested information to the state public health laboratories at:

Washington State Public Health Laboratories
Washington State Department of Health
1610 N.E. 150th Street
Seattle, Washington 98155

(5) The tables below describe the time frames associated with reportable diseases.

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**BOVINE**

• African trypanosomiasis (Tsetse fly diseases)
• Bovine babesiosis (piroplasmosis)
• Bovine spongiform encephalopathy (mad cow)
• Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia (Mycoplasma mycoides mycoides)
• Lumpy skin disease

**CAPRINE/OVINE**

• Contagious agalactia (Mycoplasma agalactia)
• Contagious caprine pleuropneumonia (Mycoplasma capricolum capripneumoniae)
• Nairobi sheep disease
• Goat plague (Peste des petits ruminants)
• Salmonella abortus ovis
• Sheep and goat pox

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• Bovine tuberculosis (Mycobacterium bovis)
• Trichomoniasis (Trichomonas fetus)
## Conditions of Regulatory Importance

**Report to state veterinarian within twenty-four hours of suspicion or confirmation**

### CAPRINE/OVINE
- Contagious ecthyma (Orf)
- Scrapie

### POULTRY
- Avian infectious laryngotracheitis
- Ornithosis (psittacosis or avian chlamydiosis) (*Chlamydia psittaci*)
- Pullorum disease (fowl typhoid) (*Salmonella pullorum* and *S. gallinarum*)

### EQUINE
- Contagious equine metritis (*Taylorella equigenitalis*)
- Ehrlichiosis (Potomac horse fever)
- Equine encephalomyelitis (Eastern and Western equine encephalitis)
- Equine infectious anemia (swamp fever)
- Equine rhinopneumonitis (Equine herpesvirus-1 neurologic form)

### SWINE
- Porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDv)

### OTHER SPECIES
- Chronic wasting disease in cervids
- Tuberculosis in cervids

## Monitored Conditions

**Report by monthly summaries**

### MULTIPLE SPECIES
- Avian tuberculosis (*Mycobacterium avium*)
- Coccidioidomycosis (*Coccidioides immitis*) (valley fever)
- Echinococciosis/Hydatidosis (*Echinococcus sp.*)
- Johne’s disease (*Mycobacterium avium* subspecies *paratuberculosis*)
- Leishmaniasis
- Leptospirosis
- Listeriosis
- Lyme Disease
- Q Fever (*Coxiella burnetii*)
- Salmonella
- Scabies

### BOVINE
- Anaplasmosis (*Anaplasma marginale* or *A. centrale*)
- Beef measles (*Taenia saginata*)
- Bovine genital campylobacteriosis (*Campylobacter fetus venerealis*)

### CAPRINE/OVINE
- Caprine (contagious) arthritis/encephalitis
- Caseous lymphadenitis
- Enzootic abortion of ewes (*Chlamyphila abortus*)
- Maedi-Visna (Ovine progressive pneumonia)

### PORCINE
- Porcine circovirus (post-weaning multisystemic wasting syndrome)
- Porcine cysticercosis (*Taenia solium* in humans)
- Porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome
- Transmissible gastroenteritis (coronavirus)
- Trichinellosis (*Trichinella spiralis*)

### POULTRY
- Avian infectious bronchitis
- Avian mycoplasmosis (*Mycoplasma synoviae*)
- Duck viral hepatitis
- Fowl cholera (*Pasteurella multocida*)
- Infectious bursal disease (Gumboro disease)
- Infectious coryza (*Avibacterium paragallinarum*)
- Marek’s disease
- Mycoplasmosis (*Mycoplasma gallisepticum*)

### EQUINE
- Equine influenza
- Equine rhinopneumonitis (Equine herpesvirus-1 non-neurologic form)
- Equine viral arteritis
- Strangles (*Streptococcus equi* subsp. *equi*)
- Pigeon Fever (*Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis*)

### OTHER SPECIES
- Fish diseases on the OIE notifiable disease list
- Heartworm
- Hemorrhagic diseases of deer (bluetongue, adenovirus, and epizootic hemorrhagic disease)
- Myxomatosis in commercial rabbits

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