

Arkansas Livestock & Poultry Commission
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Act 87 of 1963 and Act 150 of 1985

REGULATIONS GOVERNING QUARANTINED FEEDLOTS

Section 1. Applicants desiring permits for quarantined feedlots in Arkansas shall make written application to the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection, Veterinary Services Division of USDA on prescribed application form which shall be furnished by the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission. The application shall be deemed to be the applicants full consent and agreement to comply with the definition of quarantined feedlots according to Part 78.1(v): Title 9, CFR and the procedures and regulations established herein governing such feedlots. Such application shall contain the legal description and the location of the quarantined feedlot.

Section 2. Upon approval of such application, a quarantined feedlot permit, bearing a permit number, shall be issued by the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission to the person signing the application who in turn shall be held as the party responsible for compliance with these regulations. Such permit shall be issued on a yearly basis beginning July 1, and must be renewed annually. Application for renewal of permit must be made to the Livestock and Poultry Commission prior to July 1 for the following year.

Section 3. Cattle moving inter- and intrastate must meet the existing federal and state regulations at the time of movement to the approved quarantined feedlot. Quarantined feedlot operator permits may be revoked by the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission upon violation of state or federal regulations.

Section 4. Out of state shipments of cattle to an Arkansas quarantined feedlot must enter Arkansas on a completed official health certificate or a 1-27 permit issued by an accredited veterinarian indicating the official feedlot permit number assigned.

Section 5. Cattle shall be quarantined to such quarantined feedlot as described in the operator's application. All cattle except steers and spayed heifers leaving such feedlot must go directly to slaughter; or may be moved directly to another quarantined feedlot with a permit from the state animal health official; or may be "S" branded at the feedlot and move to a market to be sold for movement with a 1-27 permit issued at the market directly to another quarantined feedlot or directly to slaughter.

Section 6. Authorized representatives of the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission and/or APHIS, Veterinary Services of USDA shall make periodic inspection of approved quarantined feedlots as they may deem necessary.

Section 7. In the event of death of an animal while still in quarantine, prompt and proper disposition of said animal shall be made by the feedlot operator.

Section 8. Each animal moved to and all bovine animals confined (including calves) in an approved quarantined feedlot shall be permanently identified by an "S" shaped permanent "hot", "fire", or "freeze" brand (not acid or caustic) not less than 3 inches applied to the left side of the jaw at point of origin and/or time of consignment to the feedlot identifying the animal as a quarantined feedlot animal and under quarantine at location described in the application until released to go to slaughter or to another quarantined feedlot with a permit from the state animal health official; or may be "S" branded at the feedlot and move to a market directly to another quarantined feedlot or directly to slaughter.

Section 9. If a permit for the maintenance of a feedlot is relinquished by the permit holder or if revoked by the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission or USDA-APHIS, such premises shall be under quarantine until all cattle have been removed by consignment to slaughter; or may be moved directly to another quarantined feedlot with a permit from the state animal health official; or may be "S" branded at the feedlot and moved to a market to be sold for movement with a 1-27 permit issued at the market directly to another quarantined feedlot or directly to slaughter. All cattle must be removed within three months.

Section 10. Quarantined feedlot operators shall maintain permanent records for a period of three (3) years after sale date of animal, such records to consist of:

- (a) number of livestock purchased, from whom purchased and date of purchase;
- (b) number of cattle moved from quarantined feedlot, date moved, and location to which moved;
- (c) dates and number of losses by death.

All records shall be open and subject to inspection by authorized representatives of the Livestock and Poultry Commission and/or USDA-APHIS, Veterinary Services.