

## Missouri Exhibition Requirements for Exotic and Miscellaneous Animals

## **General Requirements**

- 1. The Certificate of Veterinary Inspection is valid for thirty (30) days from the date of inspection.
- 2. Exotic Animals—Any animal that is native to a foreign country or of foreign origin or character, is not native to the United States, or was introduced from abroad. This term specifically includes animals such as, but not limited to, non-human primates, felids (excluding the species Felis catus) and panthera, elephants, antelope, anteaters, macropods, water buffalo, and certain species of exotic bovids, such as Ankole, Gayal, and Yak.
- 3. Miscellaneous Animals—All other species not specifically listed, to include but not limited to rabbits, rodents, reptiles, pet birds, etc.

## **Specific Requirements for Exotic Animals**

- 1. *Intrastate* (Missouri origin exotic animals moving for exhibition only).
- a. A CVI is required showing an individual listing of the scientific and/or common name(s) of the animal(s), appropriate descriptions of animal(s) such as sex, age, weight, coloration, and must be individually identified as defined by official identification or any other means approved by the state veterinarian and listed on the CVI.
- b. Elephants (Asiatic, African) and non-human primates must be tested negative for tuberculosis within one (1) year prior to exhibition.
- c. No tests are required for animals moving between publicly owned Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) accredited zoos, except cervids moving between publicly owned (AZA) accredited zoos must meet the chronic wasting disease monitoring requirements.
- d. Exhibition and movement of wildlife within Missouri is regulated by the Missouri Wildlife Code 3 CSR 10-9. Exhibition of certain wildlife species is prohibited or may require a permit.
- 2. Interstate (exotic animals entering Missouri for exhibition only).
- a. All exotic animals must be free of clinical signs of any infectious or contagious disease.
- b. A CVI is required showing an individual listing of the scientific and/or common name(s) of the animal(s), appropriate descriptions of animal(s) such as sex, age, weight, coloration, and must be individually identified as defined by official identification, or any other means approved by the state veterinarian and listed on the CVI.
- c. Elephants (Asiatic and African) and non-human primates must be tested negative for tuberculosis within one (1) year prior to exhibition.



- d. No tests are required for animals moving between publicly owned Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) accredited zoos, but shipment must be accompanied by a CVI. Cervids moving between publicly owned AZA accredited zoos must meet the CWD monitoring requirements. An entry permit is required on all animals moving between publicly owned AZA accredited zoos.
- e. Exhibition and importation of wildlife into Missouri is regulated by the Missouri Wildlife Code 3 CSR 10-9. Exhibition and importation into Missouri of certain wildlife species is prohibited or may require a permit.

## **Specific Requirements for Miscellaneous Animals**

- 1. Intrastate (Missouri origin miscellaneous animals moving for exhibition).
- a. Miscellaneous animals must be free of clinical signs of any infectious or contagious disease.
- b. Ratites (including but not limited to ostrich, rheas, and emus) must be veterinarian inspected and individually identified as defined in Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71... by leg band, microchip, wing band, legible tattoo, or any other means approved by the state veterinarian and listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
- c. Exhibition and movement of wildlife within Missouri is regulated by the Missouri Wildlife Code 3 CSR 10-9. Exhibition of certain wildlife species is prohibited or may require a permit.
  - 2. Interstate (miscellaneous animals entering Missouri for exhibition only).
  - a.All miscellaneous animals must be free of clinical signs of any infectious or contagious disease.
- b. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection is required showing an individual listing of the common name(s) of the animal(s) and appropriate descriptions of the animal(s) such as sex, age, weight, coloration, and must be individually identified as defined in Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71... or any other means approved by the state veterinarian.
- c. Ratites (including but not limited to ostrich, rheas, and emus) must be veterinarian inspected and individually identified as defined in Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71... by leg band, microchip, wing band, legible tattoo, or any other means approved by the state veterinarian and listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
- d. Exhibition and importation of wildlife into Missouri is regulated by the Missouri Wildlife Code 3 CSR 10-9. Exhibition and importation into Missouri of certain wildlife species is prohibited or may require a permit.