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Operation Game Thief and Operation Livestock Theft

To report suspected livestock
thieves or wildlife poachers, call:

1-800-332-4155

Help protect your livestock and
property by participating in these
programs. Rewards!

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**IF YOU OWN, BUY OR SELL
LIVESTOCK PLEASE READ**

BRAND INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS



COLORADO
Department of Agriculture
Brand Inspection Division

**STATE BOARD OF
STOCK INSPECTION
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The following items are a highlighted overview of the requirements for purchase, sale or transportation of livestock within or without Colorado. Also included are a few pointers when purchasing livestock in other states which will be transported into Colorado.

Employees of the Brand Inspection Division are charged with the protection of the Colorado livestock industry. We must certify that the shipper or seller is the legal owner prior to issuing a certificate. All lost, missing, strayed and stolen livestock fall under the jurisdiction and control of the Brand Inspection Division.

Items to remember...

1. Be sure to give your Inspector at least 2-3 days' notice prior to when inspection is needed.
2. Inspection is required for change of ownership or movement even if the previous parties did not comply the last time the animal was sold or transported.
3. Inspection is required regardless of whether or not the animal is branded.
4. Inspection is required on all classes of livestock (cattle, calves, horses, mules or donkeys). Registration papers or the lack of registry does not exempt inspection.
5. The definition of a brand for the purposes of this brochure is a permanent mark on the hide of an animal registered with any state as a livestock brand. (Tattoos are not brands)
6. Inspection is required at the point of origin unless released by the local inspector. **SELLER/TRANSFEROR OR LEGAL AGENT MUST BE PRESENT AT THE INSPECTION.**
7. Keep all brand inspection documents for the life of the animal and/or until five (5) years after ownership of the animal is legally transferred.

REGULATIONS

1. A brand/livestock inspection is required whenever there is a change of ownership of livestock (cattle, calves, horses, mules, donkeys) whether by gift of sale. (C.R.S. 35-41-104)
2. An inspection is required when livestock is to be transported over 75 miles within the boundaries of Colorado (some exceptions). (C.R.S. 35-53-105, 35-53-112)
3. An inspection is required every time livestock leave the state regardless of circumstances or distance. (C.R.S. 35-53-105, 35-53-112)
4. For horses only, items 2 and 3 may be accomplished by the owner obtaining a "PERMANENT TRAVEL CARD" (for horses only). Simply contact your local inspector. (C.R.S. 35-53-129)
5. Any time livestock is to be transported on a public road, proof of ownership of the stock being transported must be available for inspection by the Colorado State Patrol, local law enforcement or a brand inspector. If the animal carries your Colorado brand, this can be your proof of ownership. Failure to show a proof of title is a misdemeanor! (C.R.S. 35-53-117, C.R.S. 35-53-120)
6. Animals being transported by a commercial hauler must have a "Bill of Lading" showing point of origin, destination, number of head, color, sex, the hot iron brands and signed by the owner or agent of the livestock even if an inspection is not required. (C.R.S. 35-53-117)
7. Animals being transported by anyone other than the legal owner should have a letter or note from the owner authorizing that transport in conjunction with the inspection certificate (if required).
8. Any livestock crossing a state line must be accompanied by a current Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Contact your local veterinarian for specific information.
9. Failure to comply with Colorado brand laws is a misdemeanor punishable by fines, jail time, or both. Multiple violations are a felony. (C.R.S. 35-53-112)

Information about out-of-state livestock purchases...

When purchasing animals in states other than Colorado, please check that state's requirements concerning inspection prior to the purchase and transport back to Colorado. Contact the local livestock market to inquire about state regulations.

Animals originating from other states, sold in Colorado, require an inspection when sold. No exceptions.

Several states do not have an inspection law, and therefore a certified inspection cannot be obtained. Always get a legal bill of sale and a health certificate when purchasing animals in non-inspection states.

The requirements of a legal bill of sale are:

- * Seller's name and address/contact information.
- * Buyer's name and address/contact information
- * Complete description of stock being purchased. (The complete description should include the number of head, color, sex, breed, markings, registration numbers, and hot iron brands. On cattle, this should also include ear marks, dewlaps and waddles.)
- * Signature of seller.
- * Signature of buyer.
- * Signature of a witness residing in the county where the transaction takes place.

We hope that the above information is helpful to you. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact this office at (303) 869-9160, or call the local inspector listed in this pamphlet.