

# EMERGENCY ANIMAL DISEASE CONTACT LIST

*Suspect foreign animal disease?*

Call one of the following numbers  
to report your concern.

**Do not only leave a message!**

DATCP Division of Animal Health  
(608) 224-4872

Wisconsin USDA VS Office  
(608) 662-0600

Wisconsin Emergency Management\*  
(800) 943-0003

*\*Use during non-standard business hours*

## After the call

- Stay on premises until a foreign animal disease diagnostician is dispatched
- Make sure no animals enter or leave
- If you must leave the premises, discard or thoroughly clean, disinfect and/or double bag all outerwear, boots and vehicle
- Do not go to other farms or to your practice or have contact with other animals until you have showered and changed into clean clothes
- Discard or launder and disinfect all clothing and equipment prior to reuse



[datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov) • keyword: *disease reporting*

# WVMA Guide to emergency animal disease

## *What to look for*

As veterinarians, we need to be continually vigilant for the appearance of foreign animal diseases. It is equally important to note that many endemic animal diseases are clinical “look-alikes” for foreign animal diseases. These serious endemic diseases and their foreign animal disease counterparts both constitute emergency animal disease. Recognition of one or more of the following clinical syndromes should be immediately reported to state or federal veterinary officials (see reverse side), especially if multiple animals are involved.

- Unexplained deaths
- High fevers
- Suddenly increased rates of abortions
- Blisters or ulcers in the mouth, on the nose or teat
- Blisters or ulcers on the coronary band, bulbs of the heels or in inter-digital spaces, and or unexplained lameness
- Profuse salivation
- Unexplained neurologic signs  
(such as ataxia, seizures, blindness)
- Unusual hemorrhages
- Severe diarrhea
- Unusual maggots, ticks or other parasites

### **Veterinary practitioners:**

Key players in emergency animal disease recognition!

