STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
STATE HOUSE ANNEX
25 CAPITOL STREET, ROOM 234
CONCORD, NH 03301

Rulemaking Notice Form

Notice Number: 2026-149

Rule Number: Agr 4200

1. **Agency:** Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food
   Agency Address: Office of the Commissioner
   One Granite Place, South, Ste 211
   Concord, NH 03301

2. **RSA Authority:** RSA 436:24; RSA 436:6

3. **Federal Authority:** N/A

4. **Action(s):** Readopt w/Amendment

5. **Short Title:** New World Screwworm

6. **(a) Summary of what the rule says and of any proposed amendments including whether the rule implements a state statute for the first time:**

   The Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food (Department) proposes to readopt with amendment the following proposal, which amends a spelling error in Agr 4200, effective 6-17-26 as an emergency rule Document #14620, and proposes to readopt Agr 4200 as a regular rule. The rule sets forth the requirements for the entry of animals that originate from states or areas affected by the New World Screwworm parasite. The requirements include shortening the validity period of Certificates of Veterinary Inspection, the treatment requirements for certain animals, and additional certification statements. The rules do not implement a state statute for the first time.

6. **(b) Brief description of the groups affected:**

   Farmers, pet owners, New Hampshire licensed veterinarians, and the general public are affected by this rule.

6. **(c) Specific section or sections of state statute or federal statute or regulation which the rule is intended to implement:**

RULE NUMBER	STATUTE
Agr 4201	RSA 436:24
Agr 4202	RSA 436:6; RSA 436:24
Agr 4203	RSA 436:28

7. **Contact person for copies and questions including requests to accommodate persons with disabilities:**

Name: Mark C. Prescott	**Title:** State Veterinarian
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8. **Deadline for submission of materials in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified:**

   Friday, September 4, 2026

   _ **Fax**
   X **Email** mark.c.prescott@agr.nh.gov
   _ **Other**

9. **Public hearing scheduled for:**
   Date: Friday, August 28, 2026
   Time: 10:00 AM
   Place: Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food
   Granite Conference Room 202
   One Granite Place, Ste 211
   Concord, NH 03301

   Electronic Access, if applicable: N/A

10. **Fiscal Impact Statement (Prepared by Legislative Budget Assistant):**

    FIS #: 26:125, dated: Friday, July 17, 2026

    1. **Comparison of the costs of the proposed rule(s) to the existing rule(s):**

    There is no difference in cost when comparing the proposed rule to the existing emergency rule.

2. **Cite the Federal mandate. Identify the impact on state funds:**

No federal mandate, no impact on state funds.

3. **Cost and benefits of the proposed rule(s):**

Although the proposed rule does not change the requirements or associated costs when compared to the existing emergency rule, the emergency rule itself may have an indeterminable, likely minimal, increase in cost to certain citizens and independently owned businesses transporting susceptible animals into New Hampshire from areas affected by New World Screwworm, due to veterinary examination, treatment, and certificate requirements. The number of affected state citizens or independently owned businesses cannot be determined.

A. To State general or State special funds:

None.

B. To State citizens and political subdivisions:

See #3 above. No impact on political subdivisions.

C. To independently owned businesses:

See #3 above.

11. **Statement Relative to Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution:**

The proposed rules do not violate Part I, Article 28-a of the NH Constitution. The rules r do not mandate or assign any new, expanded, or modified program, responsibility, or cost to any political subdivision in such a way as to necessitate additional local expenditure, and therefore, do not violate Part I, Article 28-a of the NH Constitution.