

## 901:1-1-01

**Health Monitoring and Disease Testing.**

- (A) As used in chapter 901:1-1, captive whitetail deer means any deer in a herd designated as monitored captive deer, captive deer with status, or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status, except where specified.
- (B) Approved accredited licensed veterinarian as used in this chapter means an accredited licensed veterinarian who has received chronic wasting disease training from the department.
- (C) All captive whitetail deer shall be designated as monitored captive deer, captive deer with status, or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status; and shall be licensed or registered under one of the following requirements:
- (1) Obtain a license as required by sections 943.03 or 943.031 of the Revised Code;
  - (2) If a captive deer with status, or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status does not otherwise meet the licensing requirements of sections 943.03 or 943.031 of the Revised Code and the owner wishes to propagate the animals, a license must be obtained in accordance with section 943.20 of the Revised Code; or,
  - (3) Registered annually with the chief, division of animal health. Registration shall be on a form provided by the department and a registration fee of twenty-five dollars shall be paid.
- (D) Herds with the captive deer with status or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status shall be enrolled in the department's chronic wasting disease program.
- (E) Beginning one hundred-eighty days after the effective date of this rule, identification of all captive deer with status or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status three hundred sixty-five days of age or older shall include both of the following: one form of official individual identification and one form of a unique visible individual identification.
- (1) Official individual identification shall be constituted by one of the following:
    - (a) Official united states department of agriculture approved silver, metal eartag which has an alpha numeric identification number;
    - (b) Approved visual or electronic radio frequency identification device tags imprinted with the 840 animal identification number; or,
    - (c) Other official individual identification approved by the department.
  - (2) Unique visible identification. Each animal shall have a visible identification tag that is unique within its herd, which can be read from a reasonable distance.

except hunting preserves may use a tattoo that must be at least three eighths (3/8) inch high.

(F) Official and a unique visible identification must be applied to all captive deer with status or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status less than three hundred sixty-five days of age if removed from the premises before they reach three hundred sixty-five days of age.

(G) All herd additions of captive deer with status or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status, other than natural additions, must have the two forms of identification required by paragraph (E) of this rule at the time they enter the herd regardless of age.

(H) Monitored captive deer, regardless of age, shall have official individual identification as listed in paragraph (E)(1) of this rule when they are moved for any reason or tested for disease.

(I) It is unlawful to remove an official individual identification, except at slaughter, in accordance with 9 C.F.R. 71.22 (2012).

(J) All captive deer with status or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status, three hundred sixty-five days of age or older which die from injury, illness, slaughter, hunting, or any other cause, shall be reported within twenty-four hours of discovery to an approved accredited licensed veterinarian or if not available, the chief, division of animal health or his representative and tested for chronic wasting disease.

(K) All monitored captive deer, three hundred sixty-five days of age or older which die from injury, illness, slaughter, hunting, or any other cause, shall be reported within twenty-four hours of discovery to an approved accredited licensed veterinarian or if not available, the chief, division of animal health or his representative. Monitored captive deer in hunting preserves are exempt from the twenty-four hour requirement for notification.

Monitored captive deer shall be tested for chronic wasting disease according to the following:

(1) Herds with ten head or less must test all deaths three hundred sixty-five days of age or older.

(2) Herds with eleven heads or more must annually test thirty percent or thirty head of deaths three hundred sixty-five days of age or older, whichever is less.

(L) The owner of all captive whitetail deer being tested for chronic wasting disease, is responsible for arranging for the submission of the required brain tissue and any other tissues as directed by the chief, division of animal health or his representative, to a department approved laboratory for chronic wasting disease testing. The

submission form for chronic wasting disease shall be signed by an approved accredited licensed veterinarian and shall accompany the sample. Owners are responsible for the cost of collecting and submitting, and testing of samples. The animal's official identification tag must accompany the sample; if the animal does not have a tag at time of death, a tag must be issued and accompany the sample.

(M) The approved accredited licensed veterinarian shall determine the quality of tissue samples to be collected. If tissues associated with a captive whitetail deer death are not submitted for laboratory diagnosis due to postmortem changes or unavailability, the chief, division of animal health or his representative shall be notified in writing by the veterinarian within seven days of that conclusion.

(N) Monitored captive deer may only be moved by special permit of the director.

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