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010. STANDARDS.
The deputizing of practicing veterinarians is the responsibility of the Idaho Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry. Since deputizing of veterinarians is recognized in many states and federal regulations pertaining to intrastate, interstate, and international movements of livestock, it is thought advisable to outline the standards under which a deputized veterinarian functions so that there will be uniformity in their application. (12-26-61)

01. Standards or Guidelines. The following standards or guidelines will be used to evaluate the proper conduct of the practitioner when performing services as a deputy state veterinarian. (12-26-61)

a. All animals and poultry certified as disease-free will be inspected and properly identified by the deputy state veterinarian issuing the certificate. All certificates issued must be signed by the veterinarians performing the inspections, vaccinations, and/or conducting the tests. (12-26-61)

b. All certificates will be correctly and fully completed and forwarded to the appropriate State and/or Federal official for approval. Distribution will be made according to existing policies and regulations. (12-26-61)

c. The required tests will be applied according to recommended procedures using the standard techniques prescribed by State and Federal officials. (12-26-61)

d. Certificates issued that reflect results of tests performed by another veterinarian shall clearly indicate the name of the veterinarian conducting the tests, where tested, date, and the result of test. (12-26-61)

e. All official test forms must be promptly and fully completed and appropriate copies submitted to the laboratories or office of the state or federal official. (12-26-61)

f. All reactor animals disclosed by tests will be identified within prescribed time limitations and according to existing procedures within the state. (12-26-61)

g. Supervision will be maintained over all infected herds and flocks including suspect animals and birds for which the deputy veterinarian is responsible under existing cooperative program procedures within the state. (12-26-61)

h. Calf vaccinations will be performed at the prescribed ages using approved techniques with proper identification according to cooperative program procedures. (12-26-61)

i. Official calf vaccination certificates will be promptly and fully completed and copies furnished the owner and state and/or federal office as called for by existing procedures within the state. (12-26-61)

j. All diagnosed or suspected causes of reportable diseases of livestock and poultry will be reported immediately to the state and/or federal regulatory officials. (12-26-61)

k. The deputy state veterinarian will fully instruct all owners of infected premises as to the proper method of cleaning and inspection of cleaning and disinfection as may be required by existing state and/or federal policies. (12-26-61)

l. Extreme care will be exercised in the cleaning and disinfection of foot wear, instruments, nose tongs, etc., to minimize the danger of spread of disease between animals and premises. (12-26-61)

m. All official duties and activities should be carried out according to conformity with regulations and instructions governing such duties and activities. (12-26-61)
n. A deputy state veterinarian will keep himself fully informed on the current policies and regulations of cooperative livestock disease control and eradication procedures and will advise livestock owners accordingly. (12-26-61)

o. The performance of all official duties and activities of a deputy state veterinarian in the state is subject to such supervision and direction as may be considered appropriate by the State regulatory officials. (12-26-61)

p. A deputy state veterinarian must be attired in neat, clean and correct clothing when performing official work. (12-26-61)

q. A deputy state veterinarian must at all times have proper behavior, be alert, animated, agreeable and have pleasant manners; also avoid habits and mannerisms which detract from his job performance. (12-26-61)

02. Failure to Comply. Failure to comply fully with these standards may be cause for removal from the list of deputy state veterinarians. (12-26-61)

011. -- 099. (RESERVED)

100. POLICIES.

01. State-Federal Program Work. Deputies shall perform all state-federal program work in full accordance with the procedures as set forth in the Idaho Instruction Book for Fee Basis Veterinarians. (12-26-61)

02. Salesyard Inspections. Salesyard (Public Livestock Market) veterinarians shall see and inspect all cattle on which salesyard releases are issued. (12-26-61)

03. Salesyard Vaccinations. Salesyard (Public Livestock Market) veterinarians shall vaccinate all swine at Public Livestock Markets with a state approved dosage of approved hog cholera immunizing agents. All swine so vaccinated shall be eartagged, with an official Hog Cholera vaccination tag, and the veterinarian shall issue a properly executed swine vaccination report certificate for release purposes, showing ear tag numbers and method or type of immunization used. (12-26-61)

04. Disease Report. Deputy State Veterinarians shall properly fill out and mail to the Bureau of Animal Industry the state morbidity and mortality animal disease report not later than the end of the first week of the month following the month so being reported. Failure on the part of a Deputy State Veterinarian to so properly execute and promptly file with the Bureau of Animal Industry such a report monthly shall constitute a cause for the revoking of said individual’s deputyship. (12-26-61)

05. Professional Action. Any and all professional acts performed by a Deputy State Veterinarian for which the owner directly compensates the veterinarian, shall constitute private practice on a private treaty basis with the owner; provided, however, all professional acts pertaining to state-federal cooperative programs must be performed and reported in full accordance with current state-federal procedures for such. An exception to the preceding are acts performed by a Deputy State Veterinarian in compliance with and pursuant to a specific directive of the Bureau of Animal Industry issued to a Deputy State Veterinarian. In such instances, the Deputy State Veterinarian is acting as a state employee in and for the state, i.e.—Idaho inspection of import livestock shipments when such shipments are not covered by a proper official health certificate issued at point of shipment origin. Such Idaho inspections performed by a Deputy State Veterinarian shall be performed at owner’s cost and remuneration for such charges shall be promptly submitted to the Bureau of Animal Industry along with:

a. Proper copies of the Idaho Health Certificate issued; and (12-26-61)

b. A properly executed Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry work sheet showing evidence such acts were performed; and (12-26-61)

c. A check, money order or cash issued by the owner in the amount of such charges; said check made
payable to the Idaho Bureau of Animal Industry. The deputy state veterinarian in such instances, shall be
remunerated, in the sum of such charges, by the Bureau of Animal Industry for such official acts, when said
veterinarian, at the close of the month in which such acts were performed, submits a properly executed Idaho
Department of Agriculture Form No. 3, accompanied by a work sheet. (12-26-61)

06. State Investigation. When a Deputy State Veterinarian is directed, by the Bureau of Animal
Industry to make a state investigation such as the example set forth above in part No. 5, he shall cause to be promptly,
properly and fully executed a report of investigation, I.V. Form 1, and Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal
Industry, work sheet along with the State Form No. 3, voucher for payment for services rendered, and the report of
investigation I.V. Form 1 shall carry the signature of the owner or his agent of the livestock inspected, tested, treated,
etc. (12-26-61)

101. -- 999. (RESERVED)
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