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infectious disease on pig farms





Important to remember when visiting pig farms

Everyone working on Swedish pig farms can help maintain our excellent animal health status. Infectious agents are spread not only via pigs and other animals, but also via people, clothes, tools and vehicles.

Personnel lock

The entrance to the livestock area must be designed so that visitors' clothes and footwear do not come into contact with protective clothing and footwear used in the livestock area. A clear boundary to the livestock area must be provided in the form of benches, floor strips and/or personnel lock. Hands must always be washed using a hand disinfectant before entry into the livestock area.

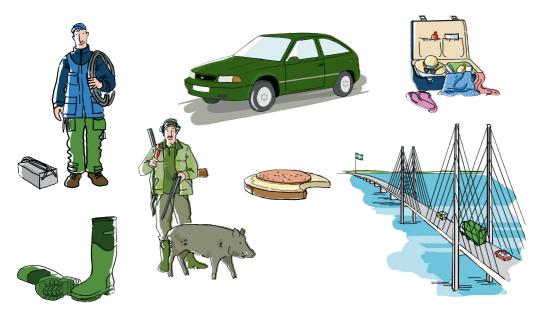


Clothing and equipment

Everyone working in or visiting animal sheds must use the farm's own protective clothing and footwear and, as far as possible, the farm's tools, power cables, hoses, etc. Equipment used in other livestock units must be cleaned and disinfected.

No food scraps

Foot and mouth disease and swine fever can be spread by contaminated dairy and meat products. It is therefore forbidden to give food scraps to pigs.



Washing vehicles

Vehicles that have visited livestock units abroad must always be washed in an automatic vehicle wash, including hosing of the chassis, before visiting Swedish livestock units.

48-hour rule

After visiting livestock units outside Sweden, at least 48 hours must be allowed before visiting a Swedish pig unit. The same applies to people who come into contact in any way (e.g. markets, hunting, etc.) with clovenhoofed animals outside Sweden.

Five-day-rule

After visiting livestock units (or having any other contact with cloven-hoofed animals) in regions outside Sweden with foot and mouth disease, you must allow at least five days before entering a Swedish livestock unit.

Visitors' logbook

All livestock units must have a visitors' logbook that must always be filled in and signed. Visitors from outside Sweden must sign a "Visitor's Certificate", which can be downloaded from the Swedish Animal Health Service's (Svenska Djurhälsovården) website.



We hope you enjoy your job here!

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