

ALBERTA ANIMAL PROTECTION REGULATION

ALBERTA REGULATION 203 / 2005 -- CONSOLIDATED UP TO 210/ 2008

TO BE READ WITH THE *ALBERTA ANIMAL PROTECTION ACT*

SECTION	PROVISIONS
1	<p><b>Definitions :</b>                      "livestock" means horses, cattle, sheep, swine, goats, poultry, bees, and also means fur-bearing animals, alpacas, llamas, ratites, elk, deer and bison raised in captivity;                      "livestock assembling station" means any building, pen, fence, gate, chute, weigh scales;                      "livestock market" means a place operated as a public market for the purchase or sale of livestock</p>
2 (1)	<p><b>Standards:</b>                      A person who has care and control of an animal for <b>research activities</b> must comply with Canadian Council on Animal Care guidelines and policy statements – 22 of them</p>
2 (2)	<p>"<b>research activities</b>" includes animals used in scientific investigation; scientific teaching or training; testing of products, medical devices, chemicals, drugs</p>
2 (3)	<p><b>Zoos</b> - A person who owns a zoo needs a zoo permit under the <i>Wildlife Act</i> and must comply with <i>Government of Alberta Standards for Zoos in Alberta</i></p>
3, 4 and 5	<p><b>Humane Societies</b> – rules for applying, being approved, suspension and revocation</p>

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6	<p><b>Livestock Market &amp; Assembling Stations</b>  <b>Maintenance Requirements</b> – calves and swine under a certain weight are to be protected; livestock that are ill, injured, or too tired to stand and are unable to compete for space, food or water are to be kept separate from other livestock; sows, boars, stags over a certain weight are kept separate from market hogs; boars or stags with tusks are kept separate; adequate shelter from the weather must be provided</p>
7	<p><b>Sale of Young Livestock</b>  <b>These animals not allowed at a livestock market:</b> a weaned foal less than 30 days old; a weaned pig less than 10 kilograms; any other species less than 8 days old.                      If these young ones are present, they are to be kept separate and the owner is to be notified to take them back</p>
8	<p><b>Unloading Livestock</b>                      No person shall unload any livestock at a livestock market or assembling station if it is ill, injured, fatigued, and unable to stand or is unduly suffering</p>
9	<p><b>Care and Handling of Livestock</b>                      Livestock not to remain at the market or station for longer than <b>144 hours</b>, unless so directed by a peace officer; after <b>48 hours</b>, the operator of the market or station must provide space, shelter, food, water and bedding for the livestock; if any livestock become sick or injured or too tired to stand or to compete for space, food or water, they are to be separated from the other livestock and the owner must remove that livestock</p>
10	<p><b>Transportation of Animals</b>  <b>Animals Unfit for Transport</b>                      (1) No person shall load or transport animals that are sick, injured, fatigued, or would suffer unduly during transport; (2) a person may transport animals to or from a veterinary clinic as long as they are loaded and transported humanely; (3) No person shall continue to transport an animal that becomes unfit for transport beyond the nearest suitable place where it can receive proper care</p>

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11	<p><b>Crowding Prohibited</b>                  No person shall load or transport animals in a vehicle if it is likely to cause injury or undue suffering to the animals due to crowding</p>
12 (1) to (4)	<p><b>Livestock Loading</b>                  No person shall load or unload livestock in a manner likely to cause injury or undue suffering to it; no person shall load or transport livestock that is <b>likely to give birth</b> during transport, (unless for reasons of health); no person shall beat or by use of a prod cause injury to livestock being loaded or unloaded from a vehicle; no person shall load or transport livestock in a vehicle where there is <b>insufficient space</b> for the livestock to stand without touching a deck or roof</p>
12 (5)	<p>A pen into which livestock is unloaded during transport for rest and food must:                  be large enough for all livestock to lie down at the same time; provide adequate food and water;                  have adequate amount of straw; and provide for protection from extremes of weather</p>
13	<p><b>Vehicle</b>                  Exhaust fumes are not to enter the box where the animals are kept;                  the box must protect the animals from direct exposure to adverse conditions;                  the deck surface must be non-slip flooring or covered with straw or sand; and the box must be clean</p>
14	<p><b>Unsuitable Vehicles would be:</b>                  (1) A box area insufficient in height or strength;                  Not padded properly; bolt heads projecting into box;                  Fittings not secure; broken or damaged siding or floors;                  Inadequate ventilation; Unsafe footholds;</p> <p>(2) No person shall load or transport an animal in a vehicle that exposes it to extreme injurious heat or cold</p>

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15	<p><b>Duty to Keep Livestock Segregated</b>  Livestock must be segregated during transport as follows:  by species; or if same species but are incompatible by nature;  groups of mature bulls, de-tusked boars, rams &amp; goat bucks;  cows, sows and mares with suckling offspring;  mature boar that has tusks intact;  mature stallion is segregated from all other livestock, including other mature stallions  livestock of same species but of substantially different weight or age are segregated from one another</p>
16	<p><b>Rest Stops</b>  (1) If horses, swine and other monogastric animals are transported for more than <b>36 hours</b>, they must be unloaded for rest, food and water for at least 5 hours;  (2) If cattle, sheep, goats or other ruminants are transported for more than <b>48 hours</b>, they must be unloaded for rest, food and water for at least 5 hours</p>
17	<p><b>Custody</b>  If peace officer takes custody of animal under section 3 of the Act, the peace officer must give to the owner or person in charge of the animal a Notice in the form set out in the Schedule</p>
18	<p><b>Expenses</b>  <b>Tariffs</b>  Expenses for transportation, food, shelter, medicine, or the costs of destroying the animal may be charged if an animal is taken into custody under the Act</p>
20	<p><b>Expiry</b>  This Regulation expires on July 30, 2014</p>