

US SWINE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN



PILOTING A PROVEN PLATFORM FOR SAFEGUARDING, CERTIFYING, AND BETTERING ANIMAL HEALTH

WHAT IS US SHIP?

An industry, state and federal partnership for improving preparedness across the US Pork Industry.

US SHIP will establish a National Playbook of technical standards centering on Prevention and Demonstration of Freedom of Disease Outside of Control Areas in Support of Animal Health, Commerce, and Trade.

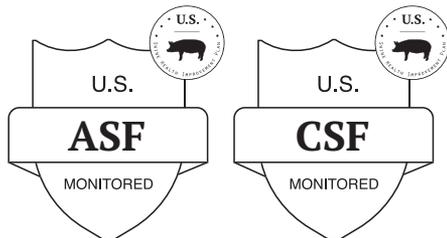
INCLUDING:

PRODUCERS
PACKERS
VETERINARIANS
DIAGNOSTICIANS
MICROBIOLOGISTS
VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICIALS

OFFICIAL STATE AGENCIES

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS

ASF-CSF Monitored Certification



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PROGRAM BACKGROUND



US SHIP is being modelled after the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP), a collaborative effort involving industry, state, and federal partners providing standards for certifying the health status of greater than 99% of commercial poultry and egg operations across the US.

US SHIP aims to establish a similar platform for safeguarding, improving, and representing the health status of swine across participating farm sites, supply-chains, states, and regions. Such a working system is needed to support the current and future health assurance needs of the 21st century US pork industry.

The US SHIP ASF-CSF Monitored certification aims to mitigate risks of disease introduction and provide a practical means for demonstrating evidence of freedom of disease (outside of foreign animal disease control areas) in support of ongoing interstate commerce and a pathway towards the resumption of international trade over the course of a trade impacting disease response and recovery period.

The time for such a national strategy is now!



STANDARDS

US SHIP Program Standards:

Informed by a congress of US pork industry participants

Applicable across the broad-spectrum of various types of pork production operations

Center on **Biosecurity, Traceability, and Sampling and Testing.**



CERTIFICATION

ASF/CSF Monitored certificate holders include:
farm sites and slaughter facilities.

(Intended for all types of pork producers i.e. large, small, exhibition/youth)



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US SHIP Participant Checklist

HOW TO BECOME US SHIP CERTIFIED

Step 1. Enrollment

- Contact US SHIP Official State Agency (OSA) in which the participating premises is located
- Enroll live swine production and slaughter facility premises with the US SHIP OSA in which the participating premises is located
- Acknowledge understanding of and compliance with requirements for certification
- Complete biosecurity survey

Step 2. Certification

- US SHIP OSA to contact US SHIP participant (Swine Owner) to initiate certification
- US SHIP participants need to demonstrate competency in providing at least 30 days of movement information electronically in a common format (e.g., a prescribed CSV file) to the US SHIP OSA in a timely manner
- US SHIP OSA confers certification

Step 3. Maintenance of Certification

- Meet or exceed the requirements for the US SHIP certification(s) held

Overview of Industry, State, & Federal Partnership Roles



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Program development of US SHIP is being spearheaded by a team of swine interest veterinary colleagues from Iowa State University, South Dakota State University, University of Illinois, and University of Minnesota working in partnership with a number of State and Federal Veterinary Medical Officials, and with advisement from an industry centered Advisory Board.