

1721.0720 TRANSPORT OF ANIMAL CARCASSES.**Subpart 1. Permits.**

A. A permit from the board is required for a vehicle used to transport carcasses over public roads within the state except that no permit is required for a person to haul the carcass of an animal that was owned by that person before the animal died. A permit is valid for one year from the date of issuance. Violations of the requirements of parts 1721.0690 to 1721.0740 pertaining to carcass disposal shall constitute grounds for the board to revoke a permit issued for a vehicle used to transport carcasses over public roads in the state. The board shall notify the permit holder of the right to appeal the board's initial determination under the Administrative Procedure Act, Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14.

B. The application for a permit must include:

- (1) the name and address of the owner;
- (2) a description of each vehicle owned, leased, contracted, or used in the transportation of carcasses including the license number;
- (3) the address of each collecting station; and
- (4) the name and address of the establishment where the carcasses are to be hauled.

C. Prior to issuance of a permit, all vehicles must be inspected by the board to determine that they meet the requirements in this part.

Subp. 2. **Restrictions.** The carcass of an animal that has died from anthrax, rabies, ingestion of toxic materials, or any disease that may endanger the health of the domestic animals of the state may not be transported without prior permission of the board.

Subp. 3. **Vehicles.** A vehicle used for transport of carcasses must be equipped with a watertight body or tank, a cover that completely encloses the body or tank, and a tailgate that completely encloses the rear opening of the vehicle. The vehicle must be thoroughly washed and disinfected after hauling each load or before proceeding with the next load.

Subp. 4. **Transfer of carcasses.** A carcass must not be removed from a vehicle except at an establishment, a collecting station, a veterinary clinic, a veterinary diagnostic laboratory, or another site approved by the board to receive animal carcasses. Carcasses removed from a vehicle at a collecting station must be kept within an enclosure or a building provided for that purpose. Carcasses at a collecting station may only remain at the facility for up to 24 hours. If the enclosure at a collecting station is refrigerated and kept at a temperature of less than 45 degrees Fahrenheit, carcasses may remain at the facility for up to seven days.

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