287.128 Records of licensee; inspection; sale of certain animals for slaughter.

Sec. 8. (1) The director may inspect the records of any licensee at any time to determine the origin and destination of any livestock handled by the licensee and to determine if any provisions of this act or the rules promulgated under this act, or requirements for importation of animals, or movement of animals within the state, have been violated.

(2) Each person licensed under this act shall keep the following records, for a minimum of 5 years, on each animal bought, received, sold, exchanged, transported, resold, or transferred:
   (a) The identity of each animal, including all of the following:
      (i) Species.
      (ii) Breed or physical description.
      (iii) Age or type.
      (iv) Gender.
   (b) The date and source of each animal, including complete name and address of the person from whom the animal is acquired.
   (c) Records of all required tests, treatments, movement certificates, and permits.
   (d) The date and place of disposition of each animal including the complete name and address of the destination and the name of the person receiving the animal.

(3) In addition to the records described in subsection (2), a person licensed to operate a livestock auction, buying station, or collection point shall keep the following records of each animal bought, received, sold, exchanged, transported, resold, or transferred:
   (a) The official identification of each animal recorded by official eartag, official breed registry tattoo, or official backtag number.
   (b) If an animal is sold by weight, the official weight of the animal.

(4) Animals, as determined by the director, at a licensed livestock auction, collection point, or buying station consigned for slaughter, or that do not meet intrastate testing requirements for movement from 1 premises to another, shall be sold for slaughter only and shall be moved directly to slaughter. A person operating a livestock auction or buying station shall not sell livestock to a buyer of animals not meeting intrastate testing requirements for movement from 1 premises to another unless the buyer certifies in a signed statement that the animals removed from the premises shall be moved directly to a slaughter establishment and slaughtered within 5 days after movement. A licensee shall not allow animals to be removed from a livestock auction, collection point, or buying station premises until the buyer provides the slaughter destination information for each animal being removed from the premises.