287.730d Privately owned cervid farm; testing and inspection for tuberculosis.

Sec. 30d. (1) Beginning 90 days after the enactment date of this section, each owner of any privately owned cervid farm, other than any privately owned white-tailed deer or elk farm, that does not possess official tuberculosis accredited or qualified herd status as defined in bovine tuberculosis eradication: uniform methods and rules, effective January 22, 1999, approved by the veterinary services of the animal and plant health inspection service of the United States department of agriculture, and all amendments to those publications thereafter adopted pursuant to rules that the director may promulgate, shall cause an official test for tuberculosis to be conducted on all privately owned cervids 12 months of age or older, and all cattle and goats 6 months of age and older in contact with the privately owned cervids. This testing shall be completed within 18 months following the effective date of this section. The owner of any privately owned cervid farm, other than privately white-tailed deer or elk farms, that begin operation after the effective date of this section shall complete the testing requirement within 18 months following assembly of the herd.

(2) Beginning 90 days after the enactment date of this section, each owner of any privately owned cervid ranch, other than privately owned white-tailed deer or elk ranches, shall cause privately owned cervids removed from the herd to undergo visual inspection by a specially trained accredited veterinarian, approved by the director, for evidence of tuberculosis. The number of animals to be inspected shall be equal to the number required for establishing an official tuberculosis-monitored herd as outlined in bovine tuberculosis eradication: uniform methods and rules, effective January 22, 1999, approved by veterinary services of the animal and plant health inspection service of the United States department of agriculture, and all amendments to those publications thereafter adopted pursuant to rules that the director may promulgate. The testing shall be completed within 5 years following the effective date of this section. The owner of any privately owned cervid ranch, other than privately owned white-tailed deer or elk ranches, which begins operation after the effective date of this section shall complete the required testing within 5 years following assembly of the herd.


Compiler's note: In the last sentence of subsection (1), the phrase “other than privately white-tailed deer or elk farms” evidently should read “other than privately owned white-tailed deer or elk farms.”