

LICENSE TO OPERATE NEW JERSEY CEM QUARANTINE FACILITY

Applicant/
CEM Facility Operator(s): _____

Mailing
Address: _____

Phone/FAX _____ Mobile
Number: _____ Number: _____

E-mail _____ Facility GPS
Address: _____ Coordinates: _____

Name of Facility: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

County: _____

Phone Number: _____

FAX Number: _____

Is this an equine breeding farm?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Name of Facility Owners(s): _____

Mobile Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Emergency Contact and phone number: _____

Specific Facilities for Quarantine	NJ Licensed & USDA Accredited Veterinarian
_____	Name: _____
_____	Address: _____
_____	E-mail: _____
_____	Phone: _____

I, _____, am applying for approval for a license to operate a Contagious Equine Metritis ("CEM") quarantine facility and have read and agree to comply with the NJ CEM Program and the Code of Federal Regulations Title 9, part 93.300 – 93.326. I am certifying that facility personnel will also comply with the same. I will notify NJDA immediately of any change to the address or contact information listed above.

Date

Applicant's Signature

For information or questions contact:	Division of Animal Health, PO Box 400 Trenton, NJ 08625	Phone: 609-671-6400 FAX: 609-671-6413 E-Mail: sandra.strilec@ag.nj.gov
Dr. Sandy Strilec Veterinarian NJ Dept of Agriculture		



New Jersey Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM) Quarantine Facility License

I agree to comply with the provisions set forth below, as well as those prescribed in 9 CFR 93.300, and all requirements and procedures of the USDA APHIS VS Guidance 13406.3 (dated October 19, 2023) as amended and supplemented, and the provisions of NJAC 2:5 as amended and supplemented, while acting as an official New Jersey Contagion Equine Metritis Quarantine Facility. This license authorizes the Applicant(s) named above to operate the CEM Quarantine facility only at the location and using the specific facilities described above.

Term

This CEM Quarantine Facility will remain authorized to provide such services until a request is made to discontinue operation by the license holder, facility owner, a State official, or a Federal veterinarian.

- If the facility has not been used for CEM quarantine and testing for a 12-month period, a State or Federal official may suspend operations until the facility is re-inspected and re-approved by a State or Federal official.
- This license shall terminate if the License Holder ceases operations or transfers to a different facility or a different location.
- This license shall terminate if the License Holder fails to comply or is unable to comply with any statutory or regulatory requirements or any provision in this License.

Transferability

This license may not be transferred or assigned in whole or in part by the License Holder.

“License Holder” means the Applicant(s) who fills out this form and is approved by the Department to hold a license to operate a CEM Quarantine Facility.

“Applicant” means the person(s) or business entity named above who operates or proposes to operate a CEM Quarantine Facility and who is applying to become a License Holder. The Applicant will become a License Holder only if approved by the Department.

“Facility Owner” means the person(s) or business entity who owns the premises described in this License. The “Facility Owner” is not the License Holder if it is a separate person or entity from the “Applicant.”

Is the Facility Owner a separate person or entity from the Applicant? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Facility Owner understands and accepts these terms. _____ (initials of Facility Owner)

Continuity and Timeliness of Services

The Applicant recognizes that the New Jersey Department of Agriculture (“NJDA”) provides a limited number of CEM Quarantine Facility licenses based upon its available resources. The License Holder agrees to provide CEM Quarantine Facility services:

- 1) to meet the demand of the general public in a timely manner,
- 2) all year round, and
- 3) at levels consistent with the maximum number of horses that can be housed at the Facility (_____ horses) as indicated on the State approved application and/or as stipulated elsewhere in this license.

The NJDA may conduct an inspection to reassess a License Holder’s performance of its duties at any time and for any reason and may revoke a license if the License Holder fails to satisfy these performance requirements.

Buildings and Equipment

When quarantined horses are on-site, the approved protocols for housing, care, and treatment must be followed as approved by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health. This includes the specific use of buildings and equipment to inspect, treat properly, and test equine entering this facility. Such buildings and equipment will include:

- An enclosed barn or shed of sound, permanent construction, capable of being effectively cleaned and disinfected. The attached premise map identifies the approved buildings.
- Box stalls where individual horses can be kept separate from each other either by an empty stall, an empty area where horses cannot touch each other, or by a solid wall at least 8 feet (2.4m) high.
- An isolation facility large enough to accommodate all animals under quarantine, providing adequate separation of quarantined horses from each other and isolation from other horses and common traffic flow. Isolation from other horses includes that between quarantined and resident horses within every infrastructure on the premises, such as but not limited to stalls, turnout, wash stalls, and riding arenas.
- Security measures to prevent the escape or unauthorized removal of horses from the facility.

Before implementing any changes to the infrastructure of this facility, the NJDA Division of Animal Health must be consulted. Changes to the infrastructure of the facility will not commence without preliminary approval by the NJDA. The Department must inspect any completed changes prior to granting final approval for their use.

Veterinary Oversight

Technically qualified veterinarians shall carry out the proposed inspection, treatment, and testing required by 9 CFR 93.301 and this agreement. A technically qualified veterinarian shall mean a veterinarian who is experienced in equine reproduction work, including experience in the handling of stallions during breeding, collection of stallion semen in an artificial vagina, production of heat in mares, breeding mares, and related activities. Such veterinarians must be licensed and accredited by the United States Department of Agriculture to perform federal regulatory activities in the State of New Jersey. In addition, the veterinarians must conduct all required examination, testing, treatments, and collections of material for culture as specified in 9 CFR 93.301 (e) (3) through (e) (5).

All blood samples and culture specimens will be collected at times and in such a manner to expedite delivery to the appropriate testing laboratory as specified in 9 CFR 93.301.

- Specimens will be submitted to the NJDA Division of Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratory (AHDL) and forwarded by the AHDL to the National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, when necessary.

Animal Care

All horses maintained at the CEM quarantine facility will be kept following the provision set forth in New Jersey Administrative Code Title 2, Chapter 8: Humane Treatment of Domestic Livestock.

Horses will be tested for EVA, EIA, and CEM-CF upon arrival to the CEM facility.

Mares selected as test mares shall not have been on any premise at any time where CEM has been diagnosed. The test mares will be qualified prior to breeding as apparently free from CEM by testing as required in 9 CFR 93.301 and not be used for breeding from the time the specimens are taken to qualify the mares. Mares will be treated with prostaglandin at day 9 post breeding to recycle the mare and ensure termination of any possible pregnancy.

Stallions will not be released from quarantine until all cultures and tests of the mares shall show negative results, or the stallion will be retreated as required by 9 CFR 93.301. Should test mares be infected with CEM, they shall undergo treatment and testing until found to be negative for CEM, or undergo ovariectomy, or be consigned directly to slaughter, or be euthanized as specified in 9 CFR 93.301.

Horses will not be removed from the quarantine facility until the State of New Jersey Release of Quarantine form has been signed by an NJDA authorized veterinarian.

- The State Veterinarian's office will be advised of the initial destination of each imported horse following its release from quarantine.

If a horse fails to qualify for release from quarantine within a reasonable time, as determined by the NJDA Division of Animal Health, the horse:

- will be moved to facilities approved by NJDA and any relevant jurisdiction under official permit, or
- will be humanely euthanized and the carcass destroyed under the supervision of the NJDA Division of Animal Health.

THIS SECTION SETS FORTH ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THIS LICENSE (to be completed by NJDA, not the applicant)

This facility must provide CEM Quarantine services for Stallions. Yes___ No___

This facility may not provide CEM Quarantine services for Stallions. Yes___

This facility must provide CEM Quarantine services for Mares. Yes___ No___

Biosecurity

The quarantine area will be clearly identified by posted signs.

All holding facilities and equipment will be cleaned and disinfected prior to the entry of horses into the quarantine facility.

- The disinfectant used shall be effective against the CEM organism.

Protective clothing for personnel who care for the animals must be available at the entrance of the CEM quarantine facility and will be used only in the facility. Such persons will wear boots that must be disinfected with an approved disinfectant, and footbaths must be available at the facility's entrance.

After each culture or treatment, all gloves, sleeves, speculums, and other disposable material will be placed in plastic garbage bags and stored in the quarantine facility until appropriate disposal.

Equipment directly involved with stallion treatment should be single use only. For multi-use equipment, such as wash buckets used during culture collection and treatment procedures, the bucket should be lined with a disposable plastic bag and the exterior surface of the bucket should be cleaned and disinfected immediately after use.

During the quarantine period, all equipment and utensils used for feeding, watering, grooming, and cleaning will remain in the quarantine area and be limited only to the animals in quarantine.

Drainage from the CEM facility will not flow into areas where other horses are being maintained on the premises.

Horses in quarantine will not contact other horses during the quarantine period except as specified in 9 CFR 93.301.

Visitors and pets will not be permitted into the quarantine area unless authorized by State or Federal veterinary personnel.

Immunity: The License Holder of the CEM facility accepts all liability for all care and treatment of the horses under CEM quarantine.

Compensation

License Holder will reimburse the NJDA Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratory per N.J.A.C. 2:10.

All provisions of this license shall be carried out under the supervision and on-going monitoring by State and/or Federal officials. The facility shall be available for inspection by authorized State or Federal officials at any time necessary, with or without advance notice, in order to conduct required testing or observation of quarantine procedures.

Name of CEM facility: _____

Physical address of facility: _____

Mailing address of facility (if different): _____

Signature of Applicant/ License Holder: _____

Signature of CEM Facility Owner: _____

Date: _____

I hereby grant (Applicant's name) _____ a license to operate the following CEM Quarantine Facility: (facility name) _____ commencing (date) _____ in accordance with all of the terms and conditions set forth above.

Signature of State
Veterinarian: _____

Date: _____

Signature of USDA Area Veterinarian in
Charge: _____

Date: _____

Farm Diagram / Map: