

Update to the List of Notifiable Pests and Diseases of Animals in NSW

Following amendments to the Biosecurity Act 2015 (the Act) and the Biosecurity Regulation, the listing of notifiable diseases in NSW has changed.

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There are several pests and diseases of animals that are notifiable under NSW legislation, requiring individuals to notify authorised officers if an animal is suspected or confirmed to have one of these pests and diseases.

Animal pest and diseases are listed as notifiable because they may be exotic to Australia (such as foot and mouth disease and rabies) and if established here could impact severely on animal health, trade, livestock production, human health or the environment. Some other diseases that already exist in Australia are notifiable because there is a disease control program in place, there is a risk of zoonotic disease, the disease occurs in parts of Australia other than NSW, or because livestock, livestock products, or their property of origin needs to be certified in terms of disease.

Changes to the list of notifiable diseases

Ehrlichia canis, *Mycoplasma iowae*, *Pseudogymnoascus destructans* (White Nose Syndrome) and *Senecavirus A* have been incorporated into the list of notifiable diseases under Schedule 1 of the Biosecurity Regulation.

These changes have been made to align with the Commonwealth list of notifiable animal diseases. Further information can be found on the [Department of Agriculture – National list of notifiable animal diseases](#).

Managing notifiable pests and diseases of animals

A complete list and details of the management of notifiable pest and diseases of animals in NSW can be found in the [Notifiable Pests and Diseases of Animals in NSW Primefact](#).

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