



Cull Breeding Swine Program Reminder and Update

September 3, 2008

Several changes to the Cull Breeding Swine Program have recently been approved by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and the Canadian Pork Council. They are outlined as follows:

1. While the deadline for application to the Cull Breeding Swine Program under the original parameters passed as of midnight September 1, 2008, participants must complete the cull by November 30, 2008 and now have until January 15, 2009 to submit all supporting documentation. Previously, the deadline for receipt of documentation was 120 days after applications had been received by the Administrator.
2. Eligible producers will now be allowed a supplemental feed payment of \$1 per day per breeding swine from the time of application until the time of culling up to a maximum of \$30, increased from the previous maximum of \$15. In cases where culling delays occur as a result of exceptional circumstances, the maximum feed allocation may be increased to \$45 per breeding swine. Eligible producers who believe their cull was delayed as a result of exceptional circumstances beyond their control (for example, cull date postponed by the coordinator or service provider) may be eligible for an allocation of \$45 per breeding swine and should contact the Administrator at 1-877-655-2567 or by email at cbsp@cpc-ccp.com. Each request will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
3. The program currently covers claims for breeding swine culled from herds between November 1, 2007 and November 30, 2008. Statistics on the national breeding herd are now indicating that the cull began as early as August 1st, 2007. Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada has agreed to seek the necessary authority to permit breeding swine culled between August 1, 2007 and October 31st, 2007 to be eligible for the program. For further information call or e-mail the Administrator at 1-877-655-2567 or cbsp@cpc-ccp.com.

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