

How To Perform CWD Inspections & Inventories



Types of Identification (ID)

- ❑ In the CWD Herd Certification Program (HCP), animals are required to have two forms of ID, and at least one of these must be “Official ID”.
 - ❑ In the next few slides, you’ll see what constitutes “official ID” and what doesn’t.
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Non-Official ID

- ❑ Also called “Farm Tags”
- ❑ Numbers are not unique w/in the United States
- ❑ Used for herd management
- ❑ Lots of different manufacturers
- ❑ Also includes tattoos and brands



Official ID

- ❑ Nationally Unique Number
 - ❑ Used for government disease eradication/control programs
 - ❑ Has a US Shield or State Name listed
 - ❑ Illegal to remove from animal
 - ❑ Veterinarians and Producers may request these from the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture at no charge
 - ❑ Two options:
 - Metal "Brite" Tags
 - Plastic "840" Tags
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Official ID – Metal “Brite” Tags

- ❑ Metal Tags following USDA’s National Uniform Eartagging System format
 - State abbreviation or two digit state code (Oklahoma is OK or 73)
 - 2 to 3 letters
 - 4 numbers



Official ID – Plastic “840” Tags

- ❑ Plastic Tags following USDA’s Animal Identification Numbering format
 - 15 digits beginning with “840”
 - No letters



Difference Between a CWD “Inventory” and “Inspection”

- On the next two slides, you’ll learn the difference between a CWD “Inventory” and “Inspection”.
 - A CWD Inventory is more thorough than a CWD Inspection and requires hands on confirmation of identification.
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CWD “Inventory”

- ❑ An “Inventory” is performed when a herd first enrolls in the CWD Herd Certification Program, and then every 3 years thereafter during the 4 month window between January 1 and April 1.
 - ❑ All animals (regardless of age or origin) must be listed on the inventory sheet and have 2 forms of ID that must include at least one official ID.
 - ❑ All forms of ID must be physically verified by the veterinarian on all animals.
 - ❑ Most CWD Certified herds also have Tuberculosis Herd Accreditation and Brucellosis Herd Certification Statuses. The CWD Inventory should be paired with the re-accreditation/re-certification testing to limit the number of times animals are handled.
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CWD “Inspection”

- An “Inspection” is performed during the 4 month window between January 1 and April 1 during the 2 off-years between inventories.
 - Only the following animals are required to be listed on the inspection sheet and are required to have 2 forms of ID that must include at least one official ID:
 - All animals 12 months of age or older, and
 - All purchased additions, regardless of age
 - All animals in the herd must be confirmed by the veterinarian. However, farm IDs may be verified from a distance by binocular with the official ID simply cross-referenced in the owner’s records. Although ID is not physically verified during inspections, each ID eligible animal (listed above) must still have two forms of ID.
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Completing the CWD Inventory/Inspection

- Now that you know about the different types of ID and the difference between inventories and inspections, you'll learn how to complete the inventory/inspection.
 - Near the end of the year, CWD HCP participants will be mailed 4 documents:
 - Cover letter assigning an inventory or inspection
 - The previous year's inventory or inspection (slide 12)
 - A blank New Addition's Form (slide 14)
 - A CWD HCP Agreement Form (slide 16)
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Reconciling the Previous Year's Inventory/Inspection

- ❑ On the next slide you'll see an example of a previous year's inventory/inspection that the participant will receive.
 - ❑ Once you have confirmed an animal's presence in the herd and its identification, simply place a check mark in the "Notes" section for that animal.
 - If species, sex, birthdate, or ID is listed incorrectly, strike it out with corrected information.
 - ❑ If an animal was sold since the last inventory/inspection, place an "S" in the "Notes" section with the name, date, city, state.
 - ❑ If an animal died since the last inventory/inspection, place a "D" in the "Notes" section with the date and sampling vet's name.
 - CWD test results will need to be submitted with the inventory/inspection.
 - If the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture has already received test results, these animals will have already been removed from the inventory/inspection form and do not need to be accounted for.
 - ❑ The full instructions for reconciling the previous year's inventory/inspection can also be found on the CWD HCP Agreement Form.
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**Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry
Animal Industry Services
Current Herd/Flock Inventory Report**

Premises:

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Total Animals: 141

Species	Breed	Sex	Age	DOB	Official IDs	Farm IDs	Notes
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2001	73BNF4353	YELLOW 105	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8902	YELLOW 956	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8911	YELLOW 957 Black	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8912	YELLOW 961	S - Joe Blow, 5/10/13, Austin, TX
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8914	YELLOW 960	" "
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8915	YELLOW 915	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8917	YELLOW 954	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Male	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8918	ORANGE 901	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8920	ORANGE 903	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Male	--	06/01/2009	73BTA8920	ORANGE 903	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2007	73CFJ2078	YELLOW 752	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2007	73CFJ2084	YELLOW 759	D - 8/21/13, Dr. Deer, Results Attached
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2007	73CFJ2089	YELLOW 764	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2007	73CFJ2090	YELLOW 765	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2007	73CFJ2091	YELLOW 766	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2008	73CFJ2094	YELLOW 815	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2000	73CFJ2174	YELLOW 01	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	2009	73CFJ2174	YELLOW 01	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2006	73CFJ2198	YELLOW 660	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2006	73CFJ2219	YELLOW 682	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2006	73CFJ2222	YELLOW 679	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Female	--	06/01/2006	73CFJ2250	YELLOW 685	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Male	--	06/01/2005	73CFJ2261	ORANGE 556	✓
Cervidae	ELK	Male	--	06/01/2005	73CFJ2266	ORANGE 582	✓

CWD Herd Additions Form

- This is the same concept as the previous form, however, these animals are new to the herd since the last inventory/inspection and therefore have to have their origin listed:
 - Natural Addition (NA), or
 - Purchased Addition (PA – name, date, city, state)
 - Animals that have been purchased and already sold/died since the last inventory/inspection must be included on this form.
 - In these cases, you will have to rely on the participants records for this information.
 - Instructions are also listed on the form itself.
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CWD HCP Agreement Form

- ❑ After the two previous forms are complete, this form must be signed by both the veterinarian and producer.
 - ❑ This form also includes instructions on reconciling the previous year's inventory/inspection.
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Instructions for the CWD HCP Annual Inventory/Inspection

1. Organize with a CWD certified veterinarian to perform your annual CWD inventory or inspection (as assigned in the accompanying letter). A map of CWD certified veterinarians with contact information can be found at: <http://www.ag.ok.gov/ais/farmedcervidaemap.htm>.
2. A spreadsheet of your previous inventory/inspection has been mailed to you along with this document. The CWD certified veterinarian will need to audit this spreadsheet according to the following instructions (a-d):
 - a. All animals required to be listed must have two forms of identification. At least one of the forms must be official ID.
 - i. During an "inventory" all animals must be listed (regardless of age), and all forms of ID must be physically verified.
 - ii. During an "inspection" only animals over 12 months of age and all purchased additions must be listed. The Farm ID may be verified from a distance, and official ID confirmed by reference in herd records.
 - b. If any information on the spreadsheet is incorrect, strike it out and replace with corrected information. If a tag change has occurred, please notate this. Farm tag colors shall be spelled out completely.
 - c. If an animal is still present in the herd, simply place a check mark in the "notes" column for that animal. If an animal has been sold, place an "S" in the notes column and write the date, name, city, and state for that sale. If the animal has died, place a "D" in the notes column and write the date and the sampling vet's name. If an animal has escaped, place an "E" in the notes column with the appropriate date.
 - d. If an animal died and ODAFF received CWD test results, this animal has already been removed from your inventory. If a dead animal is listed on your inventory, ODAFF likely did not receive test results. These must be supplied to ODAFF by March 15th.
3. A herd additions form has been included with this document to include new additions since your previous inventory/inspection. The CWD certified veterinarian shall complete this according to the directions on that form. Make additional copies of this form as needed.
4. Both the program participant and the CWD certified veterinarian must sign the agreement below.
5. Submit the updated spreadsheet, the herd additions form, this agreement form, and any additional CWD test results to: Animal Industry Services, 2800 N Lincoln Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 or scan and email to justin.roach@ag.ok.gov. Faxes are no longer accepted due to poor quality.

Chronic Wasting Disease Herd Certification Program Agreement

CWD HCP Participant Statement: "I, the participant listed below, certify that all information submitted is to the best of my knowledge true, accurate, and complete. Furthermore, I have read, understand, and agree to comply with all federal and state regulations for the Chronic Wasting Disease Herd Certification Program."

Participant's Name _____ CWD HCP Number _____ Signature _____ Date _____

CWD Certified Veterinarian Statement: "I, the CWD certified veterinarian listed below, have inspected the following cervidae and verified animal identification on the inventory/inspection forms according to the instructions provided. I further verify that I did not observe any symptoms of Chronic Wasting Disease in these cervidae."

DVM's Name _____ Accreditation Number _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Miscellaneous Information

- ❑ The participant will need to submit the following to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture no later than April 1st:
 - Previous year's reconciled inventory/inspection,
 - Completed new additions form,
 - Any CWD Test Results not accounted for, and
 - Signed Agreement Form
 - ❑ The herd owner may fill out the inspection/inventory forms prior to arrival of the veterinarian. However, it is the responsibility of the veterinarian to confirm that all animals listed are accounted for, listed correctly, and identification verified.
 - ❑ The veterinarian may rely on the producer for information regarding animal age, origin, and destination.
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Questions?

- Call Nichole Carrillo or Dr. Justin Roach at 405-522-6124.
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