



Reporting a Suspected Animal Disease Outbreak

Don't guess ... Verify!

Serious infectious animal disease outbreaks are rare, but when they occur, quick action can help limit livestock losses and spread of disease to other animals or humans.

PLEASE REPORT ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS. BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY.

Signs to look for in a possible disease outbreak:

- An unusual number of animal deaths in a short period of time.
- Unusual symptoms or odd behavior that you don't recognize, in more than one animal (excessive salivation, diarrhea, neurological disorders e.g., head pressing, stumbling).

How to report a suspected outbreak:

If you suspect a disease outbreak on your farm, please notify the following offices immediately:

LOCAL VETERINARIAN	PHONE (NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS)
EMERGENCY PHONE	

YOUR COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE	PHONE

(919) 733-7601 (Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m. & After hours)

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER SERVICES, ANIMAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

Check the following online resources for dealing with animal health emergencies:

Emergency Programs Division,
North Carolina Department of
Agriculture & Consumer Services

www.ncagr.com/oep/
Phone: (919) 807-4300

Veterinary Division (Office
of State Veterinarian), North
Carolina Department of
Agriculture & Consumer Services

www.agr.state.nc.us/vet/
Phone: (919) 733-7601

North Carolina State Animal
Response Team (SART)

www.ncsart.org

County Animal Response Teams
(CARTs)

www.sartusa.org/counties/



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