African swine fever

Protect Australia from African swine fever.

African swine fever (ASF) is a contagious disease of pigs that’s spreading rapidly and will devastate Australia’s pork industry if it gets in.

The disease is spread by direct contact with infected pigs, contaminated vehicles, equipment or clothing and by feeding infected swill or meat scraps to pigs.

It’s vital that we keep ASF out of Australia and we need your help when you’re travelling and working in Australia. Do your bit to protect Australia.

Before you travel.

- Don’t bring meat or animal products into Australia from your home country.
- Don’t bring any clothes or equipment used with pigs in your home country to Australia.
- If you have contact with pigs at home, wait seven days before having contact with pigs or avoid having contact with pigs in Australia.

When you arrive.

Australia has strict biosecurity restrictions on meat or animal products entering the country.

- Declare all products, including food, animal products and plant material, specified on your incoming passenger card.
- If you don’t declare goods, such as meat or animal products, you could be fined.

Maintaining good biosecurity and hygiene practices in Australia.

Never feed meat products, or foods that have had contact with meat products, known as swill, to pigs. This is illegal.

When you enter a farm or production area use:
- on-farm tools, boots and equipment if provided
- a footbath for footwear
- a suitable disinfectant, such as chlorine, to clean equipment.

When you leave a farm:
- disinfect your boots, clothes, vehicles and any equipment you are taking with you.

We all share the responsibility to protect Australia against ASF.

If it looks suspicious, call us 1800 675 888.