

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES  
VETERINARY SERVICES  
**ANIMAL DISPOSAL PLAN**

**Purpose:** Presence of trichinae encysted larvae in the meat of dead mammals is a potential source for exposing swine. Because swine will consume the remains of dead animals, all dead swine should immediately be removed from pens. Prompt removal of the carrion from the premises or prompt disposal by other accepted methods will eliminate the carcass from attracting other wild mammals to the premises. All disposal methods and time limits for disposal of dead animals must be compliant with state animal health dead animal disposal regulations.

**Objective:** The trichinae auditor shall receive, audit, and observe for evidence confirming the continued implementation of the items contained within this animal disposal plan.

An example Animal Disposal Plan:

1. All swine located at the premises are observed at least \_\_\_\_\_ times per day. Intervals between observations are not less than \_\_\_\_\_ hours.
2. All dead swine and other dead mammals are disposed of within \_\_\_\_\_ hours.
3. Swine and other mammals greater than \_\_\_\_\_ pounds shall be disposed of promptly by an approved method. If rendering the carcass the rendering company will be called promptly or will have an established pickup time. If rendering fill in the following:

Rendering Company

Name:	Address:	Phone number:
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4. Dead animals will be inaccessible to rodents and wildlife.
5. Swine or other mammals less than, or equal to, \_\_\_\_\_ pounds shall be disposed of by incineration, composting, or buried according to regulations or procedures provided by local and state government or other environmental agencies.

I have implemented, and continue to follow, the animal disposal plan outlined above.

Producer's Signature:	Date:
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Caretaker's Signature: (if different from producer)	Date:
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This plan should be updated as animal disposal practices change on the production site. At the maximum, this document is valid for a period of 2 years after the date of signature.