

Livestock Movement from a NWS-Infested Zone

New World Screwworm (NWS) is a serious pest. The rules below apply when animals are moving from an **NWS-Infested Zone** in Texas. The goal is to prevent spreading the pest while allowing normal business to continue moving safely.

What do Movements Out of An Infested Zone in Texas Require?

- An inspection involving visual checks for wounds, larvae (maggots), or signs of myiasis (NWS infestation).
- A NWS Animal Movement Certificate (interstate movements also require a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI)).
- A statement on the certificate that says: **“All animals were inspected and found free of evidence of NWS infestation.”**

Who Can Perform Inspections & Issue Certificates? Veterinarians or accredited veterinarians (required for interstate movement), state or federal animal health officials, and authorized NWS-certified inspectors

Non-Slaughter Moves (Farms, production sites, temporary holding points)

Certificate Validity: 5 days from inspection

Request for Movement Inspection: Owner must contact a local TAHC region inspector or [region office](#) at least 2 days prior to the movement date.

Inspection Timing: Within 5 days before movement and inspection by approved regulatory or NWS-certified inspector.

Open Wounds: Animals with open wounds may not move until the wound is healed.

Treatment for Movement: Animals must be systemically treated with an approved product.

Infested Animals: Animals infested with fly larvae may not move until the animal has been properly treated and the wound has healed.

Additional Visual Inspections: Inspections at origin and destination should occur.

Slaughter Moves (Direct to slaughter facility)

Certificate Validity: 3 days from inspection

Request for Movement Inspection: Owner must contact a local TAHC region inspector or [region office](#) at least 2 days prior to the movement date.

Inspection Timing: Within 3 days before movement

Open Wounds: Animals with open wounds may not move until the wound is healed.

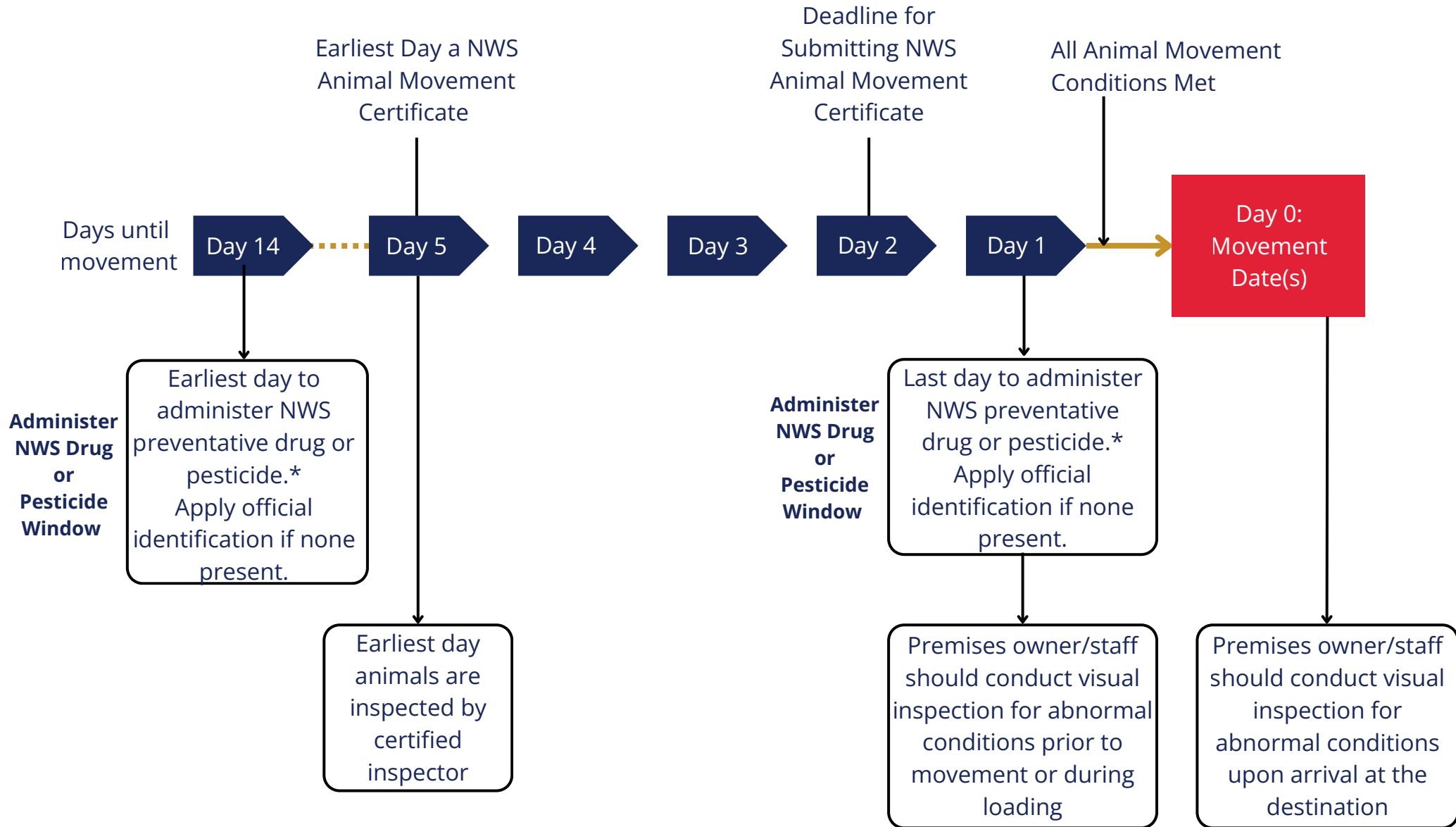
Infested Animals: Must be removed unless TAHC and slaughter facility approve.

Slaughter Deadline: Must be slaughtered within 72 hours of inspection. If not sent to slaughter, animals must be reinspected and potentially treated.

Additional Visual Inspections: Antemortem and postmortem inspections at slaughter plants should occur.



Transfer Livestock Movement Requirements and Timelines for a NWS-Infested Zone



* The window to administer a NWS animal drug or pesticide product should be based on the duration the product prevents NWS infestation to ensure it is effective at time of movement.