



## ***ANIMAL DISEASE PREVENTION ADVISORY***

***With the recent confirmed and suspected outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in South Korea and Japan, and with continuing disease events in many other parts of Asia, all segments of the Canadian hog and pork industries are reminded of the importance of taking precautionary measures when hosting visitors from other countries that have such viruses as foot-and-mouth present in their livestock population.***

***The Canadian Pork Council urges hog producers to ensure that visitors from any Asiatic country not have had any contact with livestock, farm equipment on a livestock operation, or animal feed, for at least one week (7 days), and preferably, two weeks (14 days).***

***Past advice from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency regarding people visiting Canada from countries where Foot and Mouth (FMD) and other serious livestock diseases are present includes sanitary precautions such as washing and disinfection of all personal effects and equipment that has accompanied them. Footwear is particularly important to have cleaned and disinfected. Dry cleaning of clothes is recommended.***

***The CPC is communicating with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency to ensure the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency is conscious of their obligations to monitor visitors and Canadians returning from outside the country who may be visiting a farm within the next 14 days. The Pork Council is also underlining the importance of enforcing controls on the disposition of food-containing garbage from incoming boats, planes and other transport vehicles.***

***Canada does not allow the importation of livestock or unsterilized livestock products from countries where Foot And Mouth Disease.***

***If any questions remain, do not hesitate to contact your local CFIA office.***