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HEALTH OF ANIMALS REGULATIONS FOR PIG TRANSPORT

MAXIMUM TRANSPORT DURATIONS FOR PIGS

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- The maximum transport duration for pigs and the way it is determined have changed.
- The duration is now measured as the time the pigs go without feed, water and rest (FWR).
- For fully fit pigs, the time without feed, water and rest cannot exceed 28 hours.
 - Feed or water is considered available when all pigs have access to it.
 - Rest is considered provided when the pigs have not been handled or transported for at least 8 hours. If the pigs are handled or transported again in less than 8 hours, they are not considered to have rested and that time counts against their 28 hours.

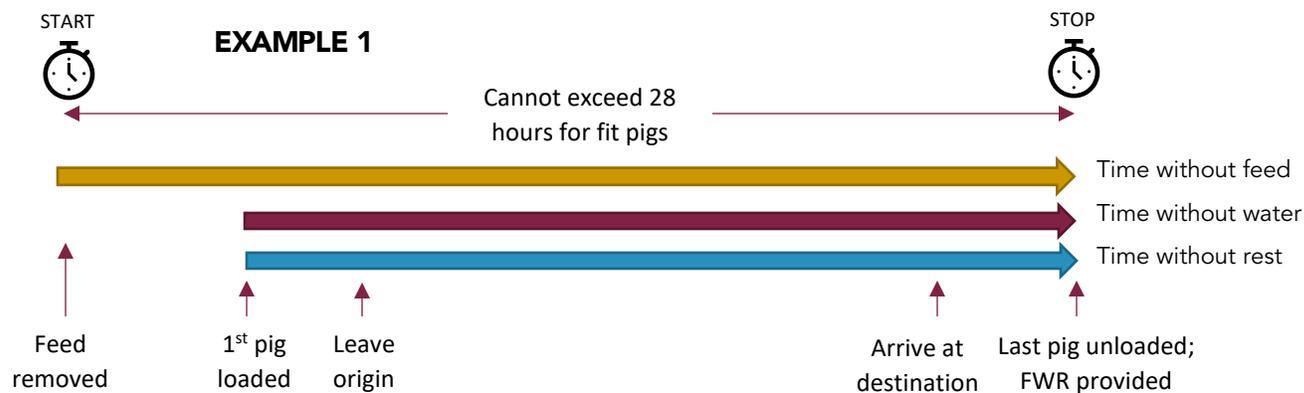
COMPROMISED PIGS

- For compromised pigs, time without feed, water and rest cannot exceed 12 hours and the compromised pigs must be shipped to the nearest suitable place, which cannot be an assembly yard.

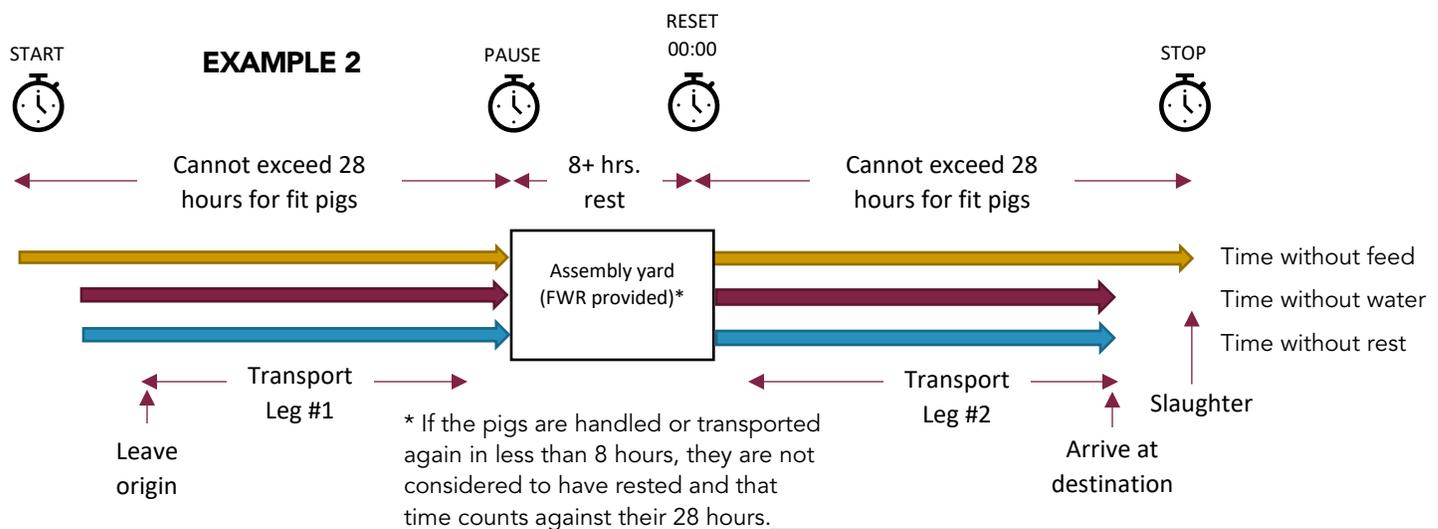
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- Transporters must protect all pigs' well-being and prevent dehydration, nutritional deficits and exhaustion; if any of these conditions are detected, the transporter must take all practical measures to relieve pig suffering.
- Feed, water and rest can be provided on-board if:
 - All pigs can access feed and water in adequate quantities,
 - The trailer is kept stationary for 8+ hours,
 - There is adequate space for all pigs to lie down without having to lie on top of each other,
 - There is enough bedding to keep the pigs clean and dry, and
 - All pigs' well-being is ensured with adequate ventilation and protection from the weather.
- Feed, water and rest can also be provided at an intermediate holding facility, e.g. an assembly yard.



- If the trailer is specially equipped and environmentally controlled (see the *Health of Animals Regulations* for specific details), feed, water and rest can be provided while the trailer is moving.



For more information:

- contact your provincial pork organization;
- contact your nearest CFIA area office; or
- visit CFIA's website: inspection.gc.ca/humane.