



Veterinary Professionals of Arizona:

There are many vector-borne and animal-borne diseases that are of concern to human health and animal health partners in Arizona.

As per the [Arizona Administrative Code R3-2-402](#), veterinary professionals are mandated to report potential zoonotic diseases in animals to state agencies. Failure to comply with the reporting requirements could result in consequences, as per [the Arizona Revised Statutes 32-2232](#) and [32-2233](#).

The table below lists zoonotic diseases that veterinarians are **required to report (blue)**, as well as diseases that veterinarians are **recommended to report (orange)**.

Please report a suspected zoonotic disease in an animal to the respective agency.

- Arizona Department of Agriculture (ADA)
 - 602-542-4293
 - <https://agriculture.az.gov/>
- Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD)
 - 623-236-7351
 - <https://azgfdportal.az.gov/>
- Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS)
 - 602-364-3676
 - <http://www.azdhs.gov/>

Additionally, please contact the Arizona Department of Health Services (602-364-3676, vbzd@azdhs.gov) any time zoonotic disease transmission is suspected. We do not need to receive reports for scabies, ringworm, or intestinal parasites.

Visit the following webpages for general information about zoonotic diseases and prevention methods.

- www.azhealth.gov
- www.cdc.gov
- <http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/>

Specific recommendations for infection prevention can be found in [The Compendium of Veterinary Standard Precautions for Zoonotic Disease Prevention in Veterinary Personnel](#).

We appreciate your partnership in promoting and protecting health for all two- and four-legged Arizonans.

Thank you!

Required & Recommended Reportable Zoonotic Diseases in Arizona

	Report to Agency	Disease Name	Causative Agent	Transmission
Required	ADA	Anthrax	<i>Bacillus anthracis</i>	Contact, aerosol, vector
		Avian influenza	Highly pathogenic avian influenza viruses	Contact, aerosol
		Brucellosis	<i>Brucella melitensis, Brucella abortus, Brucella suis, Brucella canis</i>	
		Tuberculosis	<i>Mycobacterium bovis</i>	
		Equine encephalomyelitis	Eastern, Western, and Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis viruses	Vector
		Q fever	<i>Coxiella burnetii</i>	Contact, aerosol, vector
		Vesicular stomatitis	Vesicular stomatitis virus	
	ADA/ADHS	Leptospirosis	<i>Leptospira species</i>	Contact, aerosol
		West Nile Virus	West Nile virus	Vector
	ADA/AGFD/ADHS	Rabies	Lyssavirus	Contact
Tularemia		<i>Francisella tularensis</i>	Vector, contact, aerosol	
Psittacosis/Avian chlamydiosis		<i>Chlamydia psittaci</i>	Contact, aerosol	
Recommended	ADHS	Ehrlichiosis or anaplasmosis	<i>Ehrlichia and Anaplasma species</i>	Vector
		Lyme disease	<i>Borrelia burgdorferi</i>	
		Onchocerca lupi	<i>Onchocerca lupi</i>	
		Rocky Mountain spotted fever	<i>Rickettsia rickettsii</i>	
	AGFD/ADHS	Plague	<i>Yersinia pestis</i>	Vector, contact, aerosol