**IMPORTANT ADVICE FOR ALL HAULIERS**

### What is African Swine Fever?
- African swine fever (ASF) is a disease of pigs caused by a virus, which is fatal to domestic pigs and wild boar.
- ASF is spreading through continental Europe and the risk of it entering the UK has increased.
- The virus is present in very high amounts in blood and carcases of affected wild boar, as well as in their droppings.
- ASF virus can survive for months to years in smoked, dried, cured and frozen meat from affected pigs or wild boar.
- Introduction of ASF into UK pigs or feral wild boar would be devastating for their health and for the country’s pig industry.

### What should hauliers do?
- **PLEASE DO NOT** bring pork, wild boar meat or meat products back to the UK from affected areas.
- **USE A SECURE BIN** to dispose of waste food – avoid dropping meat products.
- **NEVER** feed pigs or wild boar with meat or meat products – **THIS IS ILLEGAL**.
- **AVOID CONTACT** with wild boar found dead or sick, and the area near them.

### If you transport livestock:
- **Please be aware that you can inadvertently bring back ASF infection if your clothing, footwear or equipment is contaminated directly from pigs or wild boar, or indirectly from the environment.**
- It is vital that you follow the transport of animals legislation and your company’s cleaning and disinfection guidance.
- For further information, please follow cleaning and disinfection guidance overleaf and see: pork.ahdb.org.uk/media/2727/vehicle_factsheet.pdf
- Use a government approved disinfectant at General Orders rate – listed on gov.uk

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**Use a secure bin to dispose of pork, wild boar meat, or other meat products.**
**How to Clean and Disinfect Pig Transport Vehicles**

**Detergent Wash & High Pressure Rinse**

**Step 1**
Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (coveralls, personal protective eye wear, boots and gloves)

**Step 2**
Starting on top deck, scrape and brush the sidewalls, division gates and floor of the trailer

**Step 3**
Scrape/brush the tail lift of the trailer

**Step 4**
Remove any deposits of mud, straw etc. from wheels, wheel arches, mudguards and exposed chassis

**Step 5**
Scrub all external surfaces with heavy-duty cleaner solution

**Step 6**
Clean the outside from top down, with attention to wheels, arches and mudguards

**Step 7**
Inside, soak the ceiling, sidewalls, division gates and floor of top and bottom decks

**Step 8**
Wash the tail lift and gates thoroughly

**CAB Disinfection and Final Steps**

**Step 1**
Remove mats and brush debris & organic matter into a refuse sack for disposal

**Step 2**
Wash the cab floor, mats and vehicle pedals

**Step 3**
Using a clean cloth soaked in disinfectant solution, disinfect cab floor, mats and foot pedals

**Step 4**
Park vehicle on a slope to drain and dry

**Disinfection**

**Step 1**
Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (coveralls, personal protective eye wear, boots and gloves)

**Step 2**
Inside, starting on top deck and working down, disinfect ceiling, sidewalls, divisions, floors and the tailgate

**Step 3**
Outside, start at top and work down with attention to wheels, arches, mudguards and underside of vehicle

**Step 4**
Disinfect all vehicle equipment, tools and the belly box

**Step 5**
Once the vehicle has been removed, wash away any remaining debris from the area

**Step 6**
Disinfect overalls and boots

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