DO YOU HAVE A SMALL-SCALE PIG FARM



African Swine Fever hasn't yet spread in Canada. Let's keep it that way.

African Swine Fever (ASF) is a viral infection with a very high risk of fatality for pigs.



- There is **no treatment or vaccine** for ASF, so prevention through biosecurity and best practices is critical.
- ASF is **highly persistent in the environment** and can be transmitted through **direct or indirect** contact with infected pigs or pork products.
- ASF cannot be transmitted from pigs to humans and is not a food safety risk.

Always keep a look out for signs of ASF in your pigs, including:



Fever, weakness, or low appetite



Vomiting and/or diarrhea



Coughing or difficulty breathing



Red, blotchy skin or skin lesions



Sudden abortions or death

There are some simple things you can do to protect your pigs from ASF:

Never feed any type of meat to your pigs, including dog or cat food. This is prohibited by law in Canada.

Avoid having visitors on your farm to prevent **indirect transmission** of ASF.

Clean and disinfect farm equipment and vehicles **entering or leaving your farm**. Also remember to wash your hands often.

Secure your pig pen to prevent your pigs from interacting with wild pigs.

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ASF is a reportable disease in Canada. Remember to stay vigilant and contact your veterinarian promptly if your pigs are unwell.

http://www.ovma.org/pet-owner-resources/african-swine-fever/







