Swine Euthanasia Decision Guide

Use this Swine Euthanasia Decision Guide as a quick reference for deciding when and how to euthanize a pig. Follow the steps in order, adapt them to your barns, and check source guidance for details.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Check the pig's condition and signs
2. Ask whether recovery is realistic
3. Consult your veterinarian when possible
4. Choose an approved method with training
5. Prepare tools and a calm space
6. Confirm death using signs
7. Record the event
8. Dispose per state rules
9. Review the case with your crew

YOUR NOTES

TIP Learn approved methods from your veterinarian beforehand, so a hard decision can be made quickly and humanely.

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