

Protect Tasmania from foot-and-mouth disease!

We need your help to prevent foot-and-mouth disease getting into Tasmania and making our farm animal sick.

What can you do to help?

If you're going to Bali or Indonesia these School Holidays, please remind your family to:

- ✓ Clean any dirt off your clothes, shoes, bags and equipment before you get on the plane to return to Tasmania.
- ✓ Don't bring back any meat or dairy products!
- ✓ Tell Biosecurity staff at the airport you have been to Indonesia/Bali and walk over the sanitation mat (if provided) when you arrive in Australia.
- ✓ Clean your clothing again when you get home.
- ✓ Avoid contact with livestock for 7 days once you return.



**COME
IN CLEAN**



**CHECK
YOUR BAGS**

What is foot-and-mouth disease and why is it important to keep out?



Foot-and-mouth disease is a highly contagious viral disease of livestock, affecting cloven-hoofed animals including cattle, buffalo, pigs, sheep, goats, deer, camels, alpacas and llamas.

While not generally lethal to animals, an incursion would shut down Australia's meat exports markets and cause significant damage to our agriculture sector and the community it supports.

Can foot-and-mouth disease affect humans?

Human infection is extremely rare. This is a different virus to human hand, foot and mouth. Infection cannot occur by eating meat from infected animals.

How can foot-and-mouth disease spread?

Normally foot-and-mouth disease is spread from animal to animal, but the disease can survive for long periods of time on clothing, shoes and equipment, so it's important you clean them before coming back to Australia.

For more information go to the [Biosecurity Tasmania website: www.nre.tas.gov.au/FMD](http://www.nre.tas.gov.au/FMD)

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