

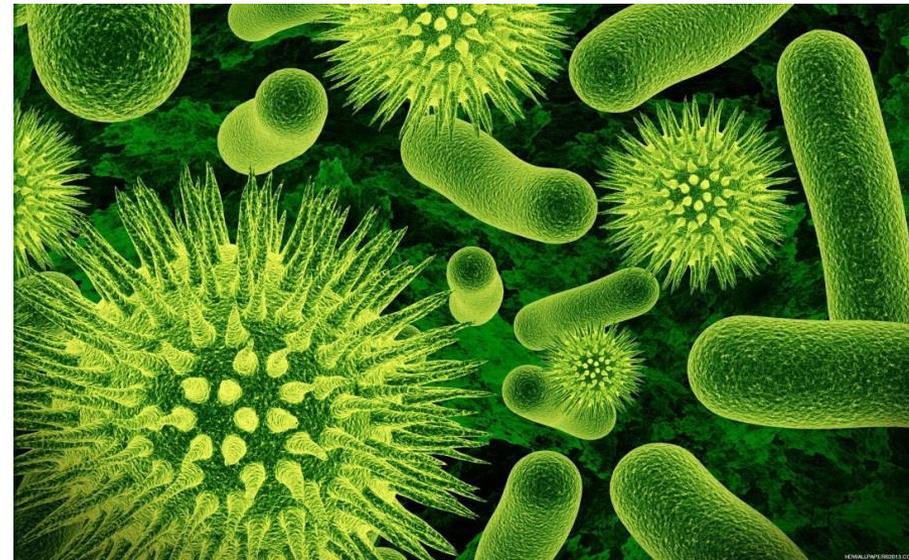


Veterinary Services

National Import and Export Services

Organisms and Vectors

permitting unit



Veterinary Services

VS protects U.S.
livestock and poultry
from introduction and
spread of infectious
diseases



“No **organisms or vectors** shall be **imported** into the United States or **transported** from one State or Territory or the District of Columbia to another State or Territory or the District of Columbia without a **permit**”

Federal law (9 CFR, part 122)



VS permit is required
to receive livestock
and poultry
pathogens from
outside of the state
or the country

bacteria

virus

fungi

parasite



VS does not control
transportation within
a state

Intrastate transport

VS also controls
movement of any
potential vector of
pathogen of livestock or
poultry



Insect vector:

mosquito, ticks, beetles etc.

Imported media vector:

FBS, trypsin, egg etc.



Permit is also required for movement of **killed** pathogens and vectors and their derivatives



Antigens
Vaccine components
DNA/RNA

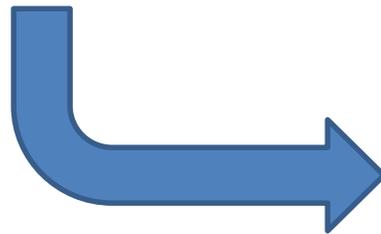


Not every organism requires a VS permit

VS does not control
movement of non-
pathogens
e.g., yeast, mold,
lactobacillus



VS does not control human
pathogens



VS controls zoonotic pathogens that cause disease to livestock or poultry



Vectors!

VS permit is required for **importation** into U.S. of any organism (including **non-pathogens**) if exposed to medium of animal origin



Application Form

Interstate Transport
or Import Permit for
Controlled Organisms
and Vectors

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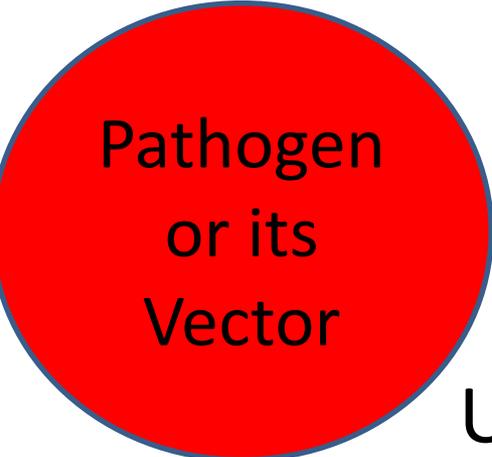


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VS permit is not required for in-state transport

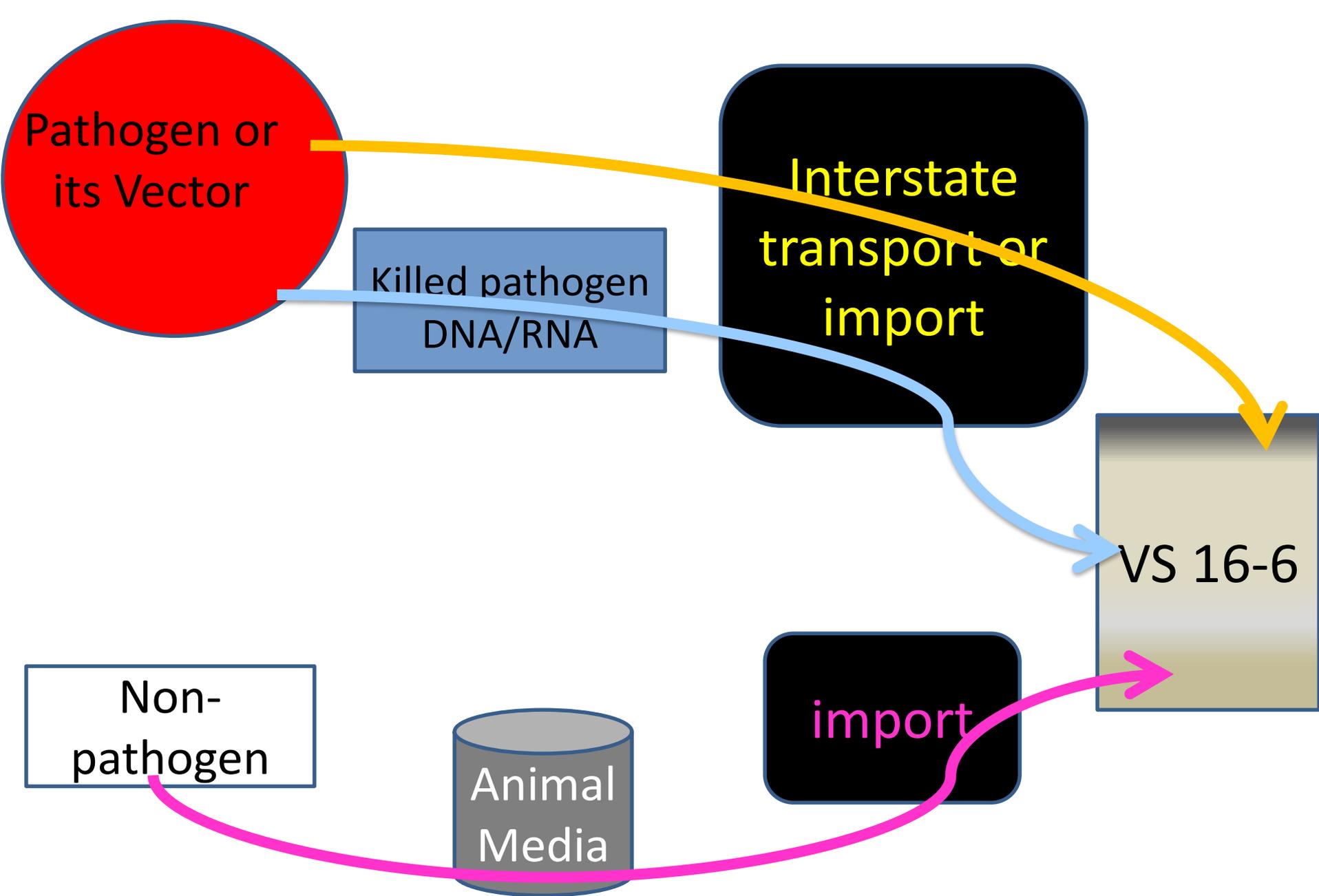
Summary: do I need a permit?

USDA controls movement of livestock or poultry pathogens and their vectors

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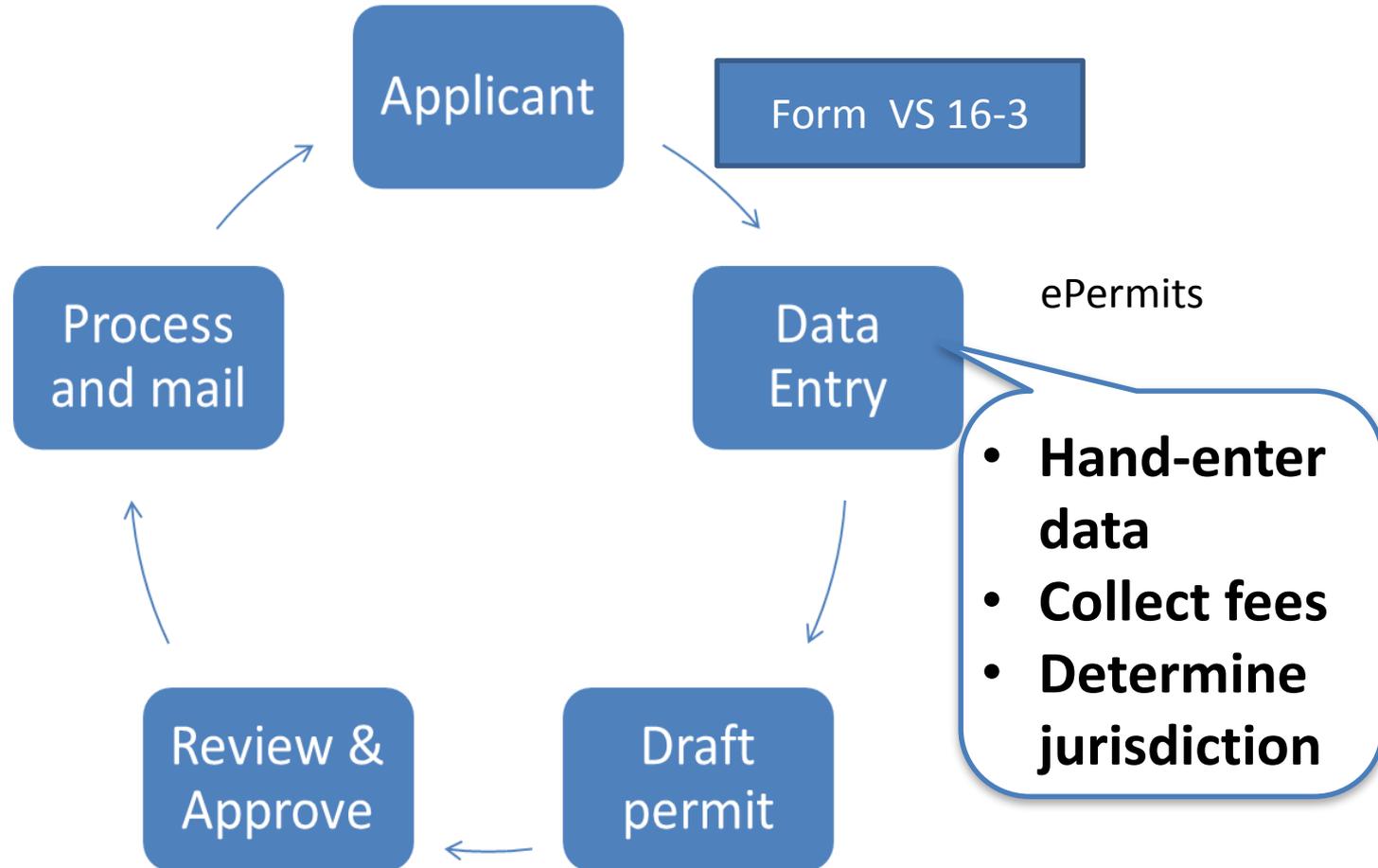
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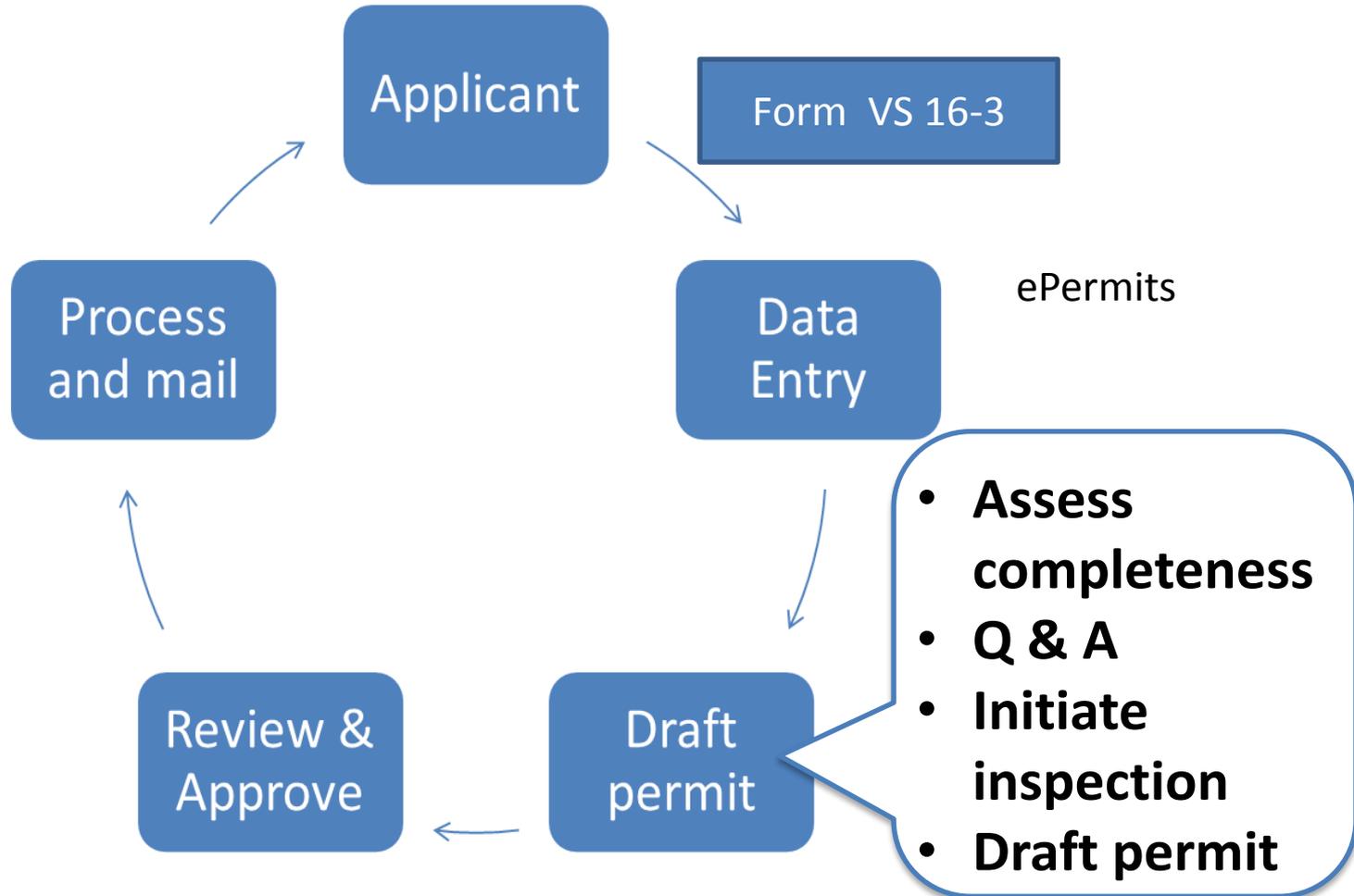


OV Application process

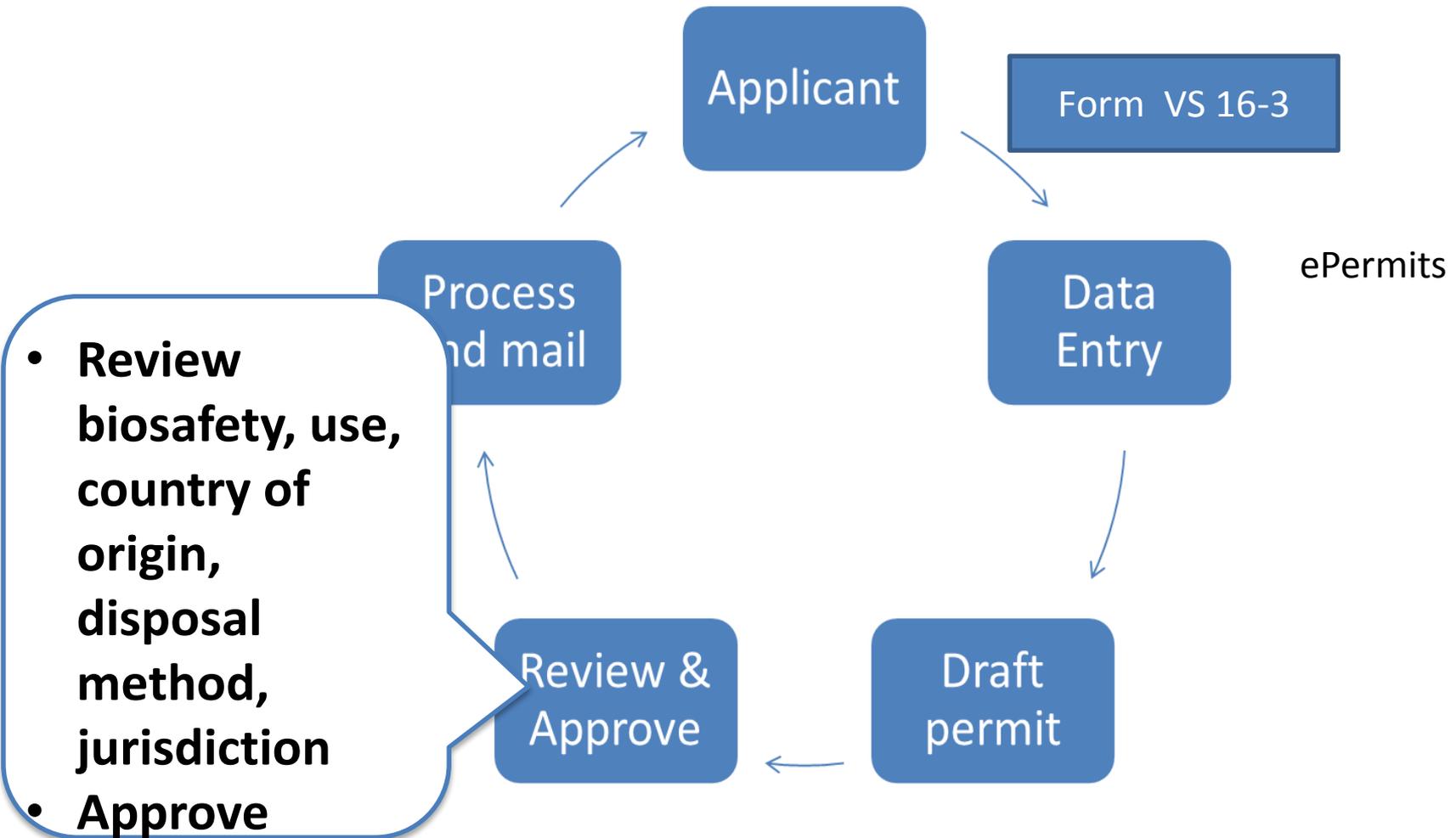
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OV Best Practices

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- Electronic submission – ePermits system

Relative time to ePermits draft queue by submission method



Mail and
overnight mail



Email and fax

**ePermits
submissions are
12 hrs – 3+ days
faster than mail**

ePermits w/ user
fee account

Import



OR

Transport



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O V Best Practices, cont.

Imports

- Full description of agent (genus, species, etc)
- Bacteria subcultured 4 times
- Country of origin
- Animal-origin nutrients/media
- Exposure to livestock/poultry
- Disease status of exporting country
- Method of inactivation

Web tools

<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-health/organisms-vectors>

- Do I need a permit?
- Frequently Asked Questions
 - Guidelines - No permit required
- List of foreign country disease status
- Application form

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