

Crawford County Fair Livestock Health Requirements

Based on 2022 Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Animal Health Recommendations for Animals for Exhibition, Including Commercial Exhibition

Section 1: Fair Camelid Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2022.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. Individual official identification (ID). Official ID will have a US shield and includes:
 - A United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-issued National Uniform Ear tagging System (NUES) tag; or
 - A 15-digit Animal Identification Number ear tag starting with "840"; or
 - An electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader); or
 - Other official identification approved by USDA (brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable); or
 - For animals without any of the ID options listed in number 3 above on the PA Department of Agriculture CVI (Form AAI-113 Rev. 7/18) accredited veterinarians simply need to:
 - Check "OTHER" and write "Camelid" in box number 5;
 - Write the animal's color in box number 14;
 - Record gender in box number 16;
 - Record age in box number 17; and
 - Record either "llama" or "alpaca" in box number 15

*In addition to veterinarians including all forms of identification present on their CVI, they are encouraged to write down any distinguishing markings that are present on the animal or include a photo to accompany the CVI. Questions regarding proper identification for camelids on CVIs for Pennsylvania fairs can be directed to PDA at 717-783-6851.

Section 2: Out of State Camelids Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): This applies to camelids entering Pennsylvania from states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months. In these cases an accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this CVI have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals have neither been exposed to VS nor located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Identification required: A person may not import camelids unless each animal is individually identified by a unique ear tag issued or approved by the state or country of origin, by a permanent tag or unique mark (tattoo) approved by the Department or by some other device or means of identification (microchip) approved by the Department. Questions regarding proper identification for camelids imported into Pennsylvania can be directed to the Department by calling 717-783-6851.
5. Tuberculosis Testing Requirements:
 - No test is required for animals originating from states or zones designated as accredited free by the USDA.
 - All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited advanced by the USDA must be test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation. The negative test results and dates of tests must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original report is acceptable).
 - All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited by the USDA must originate from herds in which all animals 12 months of age and older are test negative within the 12 months prior to the date of importation and the individual animals (all ages) to be imported are also test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation and at least 60 days after the negative whole herd test was completed. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original test report is acceptable).

Section 3: Pennsylvania Cattle Requirements:

1. Sexually intact cattle shall be identified by an official ear tag or other unique identification device approved by PDA. Official identification includes:
 - A USDA issued National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) tag: or
 - A 15 digit Animal Identification Number(AIN(ear tag Starting with "840" ; or
 - Other identification approved by the PDA (brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable).

Fair Cattle Requirements:

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2022.
In addition to the identification for sexually intact cattle, all non-sexually intact cattle including steers and spayed heifers should be identified with forms of ID consistent with # 1 in requirements above.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.

Section 4: Out of State Cattle Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): This applies to cattle entering Pennsylvania from states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months. In these cases an accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this CVI have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals have neither been exposed to VS nor were located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Federal regulation (USDA) requires individual official animal identification for sexually intact cattle in interstate movement. Official ID will have a US shield and includes:

- A USDA-issued National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) tag; or
- A 15-digit Animal Identification Number (AIN) ear tag starting with "840"; or
- Other official identification approved by USDA. (brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable).

5. Tuberculosis testing requirements:

- No test is required for animals originating from states or zones designated as accredited free by the USDA.
- All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited advanced by the USDA must be test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation. The negative test results and dates of tests must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original report is acceptable).
- All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited by the USDA must originate from herds in which all animals 12 months of age and older are test negative within the 12 months prior to the date of importation and the individual animals (all ages) to be imported are also test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation and at least 60 days after the negative whole herd test was completed. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original test report is acceptable).

Recommendations:

1. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is recommended for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time). Market cattle consigned for slaughter immediately following exhibition can be exempt.

Section 7: Pennsylvania Dogs Requirements:

1. Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required for all exhibition dogs 12 weeks of age and older. All rabies-vaccinated dogs should be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate.

Recommendations:

1. All rabies-vaccinated dogs should be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate. The certificate must contain the name of the product used, the date of vaccination and the legible name, contact information, and signature of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
2. All animals are free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases.

Section 8: Out of State Dogs Requirements:

1. Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required for all exhibition dogs 12 weeks of age and older. All rabies-vaccinated dogs should be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate. Rabies vaccine product used, and date of vaccination shall be listed on the CVI for vaccine eligible animals.
2. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) written within 30 days of importation. Exemption: a person may bring one or more dogs into Pennsylvania for show or other demonstration without a CVI for a period not to exceed 30 days provided that each dog is equipped with a collar bearing a name plate giving the name and address of the owner.

Recommendations:

1. All rabies vaccinated dogs should be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate. The certificate must contain the name of the product used, the date of vaccination and the legible name, contact information and signature of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
2. All animals are free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases.

Section 9: Pennsylvania & Out Of State Equine Animals

Fair Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2022.
2. It is required that the Veterinarian that is providing your Coggins, Rabies, Influenza, Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) and other health related forms must be accredited and certified in the state in which the appropriate form(s) and certificate(s) are being submitted.
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. It is required that all equine animals be test negative for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) by an official test within the 12 months prior to the opening date of the exhibition. Laboratory test results should accompany each animal to its final destination (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable). The CVI shall specify the date of sample collection and EIA test results. Foals less than six months of age accompanied by a test-negative dam are exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal to its final destination.
5. Equine influenza vaccination is required and must be given within 180 and 15 days prior to the opening date of the Fair. Intranasal vaccination is recommended but intramuscular is acceptable. All vaccine label directions must be followed and the vaccination information must be included on the CVI.

Vaccine Recommendations:

Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis), Eastern, Western and Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis. All vaccine label directions must be followed.

Section 10: Additional Out of State Equine Animals Requirements:

1. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) statement: This applies to horses entering Pennsylvania from states that experienced a Vesicular Stomatitis outbreak in the last 12 months. In these cases an accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this CVI have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
2. Foals under six months of age accompanied by a dam with negative EIA official test results are exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal to its final destination.
3. If an equine animal has resided in Texas or New Mexico for a cumulative total of 30 days or more within the six months preceding the date of entry into the Commonwealth, that animal must be test-negative for Babesia caballi and Theileria equi on a competitive enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (c-ELISA) test, or a Department-approved equivalent test, with the test occurring within the 30 days preceding entry into Pennsylvania. The date of test and the test results shall be written on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Recommendations:

1. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older. The name of the product used, date of administration and Veterinarian administering the rabies vaccination should appear on the CVI or on a Rabies vaccination certificate and this information should

correlate to a written description of the horse, and any and all forms of identification associated with the horse- such as lip, tattoos, brands, or microchips.

Section 11: Pennsylvania & Out of State Goats Fair Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2022
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) statement for the animals being exhibited is included on the registration form and must be signed.
4. Individual official animal identification is required for all goats. Official ID includes:
 - A USDA ear tag with a US shield; which includes scrapie program tags (animals bearing identification with blue colored scrapie program tags are not permitted be exhibited in Pennsylvania- please call the department at 717-783- 6851 if such a tag is encountered) or
 - A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database a.k.a. scrapie tattoo (flock ID in the right ear--state postal code and letters/numbers--and individual animal ID in the left ear); or
 - A breed registration tattoo if the animal is accompanied by a registration certificate and the tattoo is legible.

2. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:

a. Market goats must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information:

* Official identification (as described above)

* Sale date

• Sale location

• Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor

• Hauler contact information

• Destination name and contact information

• Total number of animals in the shipment

• Type of goat (i.e. meat, dairy, specific breed)

• Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler

Those slips or a document capturing all of the above must follow the goat to their final destination (including slaughter facilities)

b. Goats which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have an interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.

c. A copy of the sale records slips as delineated above and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept by the sale organizer/extension for 5 years.

Section 12: Additional Out of State Goats Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.

2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) statement: This applies to states that experienced a VS outbreak in the last 12 months. In these cases an accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this CVI have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."

3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.

• Tuberculosis testing requirements:

• No test is required for animals originating from states or zones designated as accredited-free by the USDA.

• All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited advanced by the USDA must be test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original report is acceptable).

• All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited must originate from herds in which all animals 12 months of age and older have tested negative within the 12 months prior to the date of importation; and the individual animals (all ages) to be imported have also tested negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation and at least 60 days after the negative whole herd test was completed. The negative test results and date of test must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by a negative test report (a copy of the original test report is acceptable).

Section 13: Pennsylvania Poultry, Including Chickens, Turkeys, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, and Ratites and Hatching Eggs; and Pigeons/doves

Fair Requirements:

There will be no live poultry or related exhibits at the 2022 Fair as per Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture regulations.

Section 15: Pennsylvania Rabbits Fair Requirements:

1. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the Fairgrounds.

2. An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinary Consultation Relationship statement for the animals being exhibited must be included with a signature line on the registration (entry) form.

Section 16: Out of State Rabbits Requirements:

Contact John McMillen for rules.

Section 17: Pennsylvania Sheep Fair Requirements:

1. Individual official animal identification is required for all sheep. Official ID includes:

• A USDA ear tag with a US shield ; which includes scrapie program tags (animals bearing identification with blue colored scrapie program tags are not permitted be exhibited in Pennsylvania- please call the department at 717-783- 6851 if such a tag is encountered or

• A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database a.k.a. scrapie tattoo (flock ID in the right ear--state postal code and letters/numbers-- and individual animal ID in the left ear); or

• A breed registration tattoo if the animals are accompanied by a registration certificate (copy acceptable) and the tattoo is legible.

• Identification used for sheep and goats must be permanently affixed to the individual animal.

2. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2022.

3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.

4. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:

a. Market sheep must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information:

- Official identification (as described above)
- Sale date
- Sale location
- Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor
- Hauler contact information
- Destination name and contact information
- Total number of animals in the shipment
- Type of sheep (i.e. meat, wool, specific breed)
- Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler

Those slips or a document capturing all of the above must follow the sheep to their destination (including slaughter facilities)

b. Sheep which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have an interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.

c. A copy of the sale records slips as delineated above and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept by the sale organizer/extension for 5 years.

Recommendations:

1. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time). Sheep consigned as market animals for slaughter may be exempt from this recommendation.

Section 18: Out of State Sheep Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to entry into PA.

2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) Statement: This applies to states that experienced a VS outbreak in the last 12 months. In these cases an accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this CVI have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."

3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.

4. Individual official USDA scrapie animal identification is required. Official scrapie ID includes:

- A USDA ear tag with a US shield which includes scrapie program tags (animals bearing identification with blue colored scrapie program tags are not permitted be exhibited in Pennsylvania- please call the department at 717-783- 6851 if such a tag is encountered).or
- A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database a.k.a. scrapie tattoo (flock ID in the right ear--state postal code and letters/numbers--and individual animal ID in the left ear); or
- A breed registration tattoo if the animals are accompanied by a registration certificate (copy acceptable) and the tattoo is legible.

5. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:

Market sheep must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information:

- Official identification (as described above)
- Sale date
- Sale location
- Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor • Hauler contact information
- Destination name and contact information
- Total number of animals in the shipment
- Type of sheep (i.e. meat, wool, specific breed) • Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler

Those slips or a document capturing all of the above must follow the sheep to their destination (including slaughter facilities)

Sheep which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.

A copy of the sale records slips as delineated above and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept by the sale organizer/extension for 5 years.

Section 19: Pennsylvania Swine Fair Requirements:

1. No swine species shall be exhibited in Pennsylvania unless each animal:

- Is accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) issued within 14 days of the exhibition;
- Is permanently identified by an official 840 series radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tag and the ear tag number is recorded on the CVI;
- Has been visually inspected and found to be free of signs of contagious disease immediately prior to unloading at the exhibition by an accredited veterinarian or swine health monitor appointed by the fair board or livestock show committee.

2. Swine health monitors appointed by fairs or show/event organizers must undergo annual online training Swine health monitors must provide a current completion certificate to the fair or show staff they will be performing monitoring services for, prior to the start of the event.

2. All breeding swine exhibitions are to occur prior to the arrival of any market swine:

- a. Breeding swine must be removed from the animal exhibition premises prior to any market swine arriving.
- b. Breeding swine animal exhibitions shall arrive, exhibit, and depart in a period no greater than 72 hours. Time begins when the first swine arrives physically on the fairgrounds whether unloaded from a trailer or not and ends when the last hog physically leaves the premises on a trailer.
- c. Swine birthing exhibitions and educational displays which are not competing may occur concurrently with market swine animal exhibition, as long as, reasonable precaution is made to ensure the biosecurity of the swine birthing exhibition or educational display.

3. All market swine exhibited in Department sponsored market shows shall move as all in and all out directly to a PDA or USDA licensed slaughter facility following the animal exhibition and may not be diverted to premises other than a recognized slaughter establishment or a slaughter market in which the sales are designated slaughter only sales.

4. Non- PDA sponsored shows including jackpot shows and 4-H round-ups, not occurring during a PDA sponsored fair or show are exempt from the terminal slaughter requirement only if the following conditions are adhered to:

- a. As is stated above, the swine shall be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 14 days of the exhibition and shall be permanently identified by an 840 series radio frequency (RFID) identification ear tag.
- b. Arrival, exhibition and departure of the swine occur within a 72-hour window. Time begins when the first swine arrives physically on the exhibition grounds, whether unloaded from a trailer or not, and ends when the last hog physically leaves the premises on a trailer.
- c. There is no public access to the animals other than observation during competitions.
- d. An Accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor visually inspects the animals prior to unloading, and they are found to be free of signs of contagious disease.
- e. An accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor shall monitor and record the health of the pigs daily for signs of contagious disease and the accredited Veterinarian shall immediately report all suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.
- f. A Veterinary-client-patient-relationship is established between the show committee/management staff and an accredited Veterinarian, and that Veterinarian is readily available for health monitoring, emergency coverage, treatment, follow up evaluation, and prompt reporting of suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.

Section 20: Out of State Swine Requirements:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 14 days prior to the date of the show is required. The CVI shall include a statement verifying that the swine have not been fed raw garbage.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) Statement: This applies to states that experienced a VS outbreak in the last 12 months. In these cases an accredited veterinarian shall determine whether the animals are free from VS, and animals shall be accompanied by a CVI with the following statement signed by the accredited veterinarian: "All animals identified on this CVI have been examined and found to be free from VS. During the past 90 days, these animals were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Has been visually inspected and found to be free of signs of contagious disease immediately prior to unloading at the exhibition by an accredited veterinarian or swine health monitor appointed by the fair board or livestock show committee.
5. Individual animal ID – must be permanently identified by an official 840 series radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tag and the ear tag number is recorded on the CVI.
6. Brucellosis Testing Requirements:
 - a. No test required if the animal originates from a validated brucellosis-free state or brucellosis-free herd. All others must be tested negative within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
7. Pseudorabies Testing Requirements:
 - a. Sexually intact swine over 6 months of age shall originate from a qualified PRV negative herd or be test negative to an official pseudorabies test within 30 days prior to importation.
 - b. No pseudorabies testing required for all other swine
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 - a. Breeding swine must be removed from the animal exhibition premises prior to any breeding swine exhibitions are to occur prior to the arrival of any market swine: market swine arriving.
 - b. Breeding swine animal exhibitions shall arrive, exhibit, and depart in a period no greater than 72 hours. Time begins when the first swine arrives physically on the exhibition grounds, whether unloaded from a trailer or not, and ends when the last hog physically leaves the premises on a trailer.
 - c. Swine birthing exhibitions and educational displays which are not competing may occur concurrently with market swine animal exhibition, as long as, reasonable precaution is made to ensure the biosecurity of the swine birthing exhibition or educational display.
9. All in all out basis directly to a PDA or USDA licensed slaughter facility following the animal exhibition and may not be diverted to premises other than a recognized slaughter establishment or a slaughter market in which the sales are designated slaughter only sales.
10. Non- PDA sponsored shows including jackpot shows and 4-H round-ups not occurring during a PDA sponsored fair or show are exempt from the terminal slaughter requirement only if the following conditions are adhered to:
 - a. As is stated above, the swine shall be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 14 days of the exhibition and shall be permanently identified by an 840 series radio frequency (RFID) identification ear tag.
 - b. Arrival, exhibition and departure of the swine occur within a 72-hour window. Time begins when the first swine arrives physically on the exhibition grounds, whether unloaded from a trailer or not, and ends when the last hog physically leaves the premises on a trailer.
 - c. There is no public access to the animals other than observation during competitions.
 - d. An Accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor visually inspects the animals prior to unloading, and they are found to be free of signs of contagious disease.
 - e. An accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor shall monitor and record the health of the pigs daily for signs of contagious disease and the accredited Veterinarian shall immediately report all suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.
 - f. A Veterinary-client-patient-relationship is established between the show committee/management staff and an accredited Veterinarian, and that Veterinarian is readily available for health monitoring, emergency coverage, treatment, follow up evaluation, and prompt reporting of suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.

2022 Additional Animal Health Regulations

INFORMATION HERE APPLIES TO ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITORS.

CHECK PA DEPT OF AGRICULTURE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS IN THIS BOOK.

FAIR BOARD DECISIONS ARE FINAL.

IMPORTANT: ALL HEALTH PAPERS MUST BE CHECKED BEFORE UNLOADING

Official identification of animals is required.

All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Fair board decision is final.

Be sure to use only grooming products that are approved for use on meat and dairy animals when fitting your animals for show. Unapproved products may contain ingredients that result in unacceptable residues in the meat or milk. If you are not certain that a product is residue safe and approved for use on meat or dairy animals, do not use it!

••• Important •••

If upon slaughter, treatment with drugs, biologics, or any chemical from fitting products, is the cause of condemnation of a carcass, the loss of the carcass and any other damages will be borne by the exhibitor.

GUIDELINES FOR CARE OF ANIMALS

It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to care for animals in a manner that is responsible and ethical. Following are some guidelines for the treatment of animals exhibited at the show.

Restraining Animals

- Animals should be tied or penned in a manner that will not hurt the animal or restrict its breathing in any way.
- Animals should be tied so that all four feet are firmly on the ground and they have enough room to stand comfortably and lie down.
- Animals should be tied so that they are not able to injure animals tied near them.
- Animals unaccustomed to each other should not be penned together. Any type of rough handling, which could harm the animal, is prohibited. The use of whips, canes and show sticks should be restricted to showing only and then be used only to guide the animals, not punish them. Remember, animals will respond quicker and better to quiet, gentle handling than loud, rough handling.

Bedding

All animals should have bedding that is dry and clean. Pens should be cleaned regularly to keep the animals clean and comfortable. If non-traditional bedding, such as carpeting, is used, it should be regularly cleaned (at least twice daily) to keep the pen free from manure.

Feeding and Water

Animals should be well-fed and have access to clean water regularly. Realizing that many market animals must have restricted amounts of feed to maintain the proper weight, animals must be fed adequate amounts of feed to meet the animals' basic requirements. Animals not allowed reasonable access to feed and water will be disqualified from the show.

Blanket/Sweat Collars

Any type of material, such as blankets or sweat collars, should be large enough to permit normal body functions such as breathing, eating, drinking or lying down.

Transportation

Animals should be transported in a way that is both safe and considerate of the animals well-being.

Health

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to provide proper health care for their animals through routine inspection and consultation with health care professionals. The improper or illegal use of drugs or antibiotics is prohibited. If administration is indicated, be sure to follow the label directions and allow more than the stated withdrawal time.

