

2009 GENERAL LIVESTOCK HEALTH RULES
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2009 Illinois Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements

--adapted to include Lee Co. guidelines for cats, dogs and rabbits--

Animals not conforming to the health requirements are not to be brought to the grounds.

General Requirements

1. Exhibitors are requested to familiarize themselves with all rules applicable to their exhibits.
2. All out-of-state animals shall require an entry permit. Permits are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling (217) 782-4944.
3. **All animals exhibited, except as noted, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) with shows that the animal meets all health requirements for the State of Illinois.** CVI's shall be made available to Bureau of Animal Health Personnel on request. CVI means a legible record made on an official form of the state of origin which has been issued, signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian and which shows the name and address of the animal's owner or exhibitor and the results of all required tests or vaccinations. A CVI shall list only one animal identification per line; shall be presented on the form in which it was initially issued; and shall not be corrected, changed or altered in any manner.
4. All animals shall be officially identified and this official identification shall be recorded on the CVI.
5. If animals are from tuberculosis accredited, brucellosis certified, pseudorabies qualified, or brucellosis validated herds, the identifying herd number(s) along with the date of the last herd test(s) shall appear on the CVI.
6. CVI for out -of-state-livestock shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance.
7. CVI for Illinois-origin livestock shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.
8. All livestock shall be subject to examination upon entry to any Illinois Fair or exhibition. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases shall be immediately withdrawn and held in quarantine at the owner's risk and expense until properly treated and recovered, or until the animal is released to return to the owner's premise. Any livestock infected with scabies, mange, active lesions of ringworm, soremouth, or multiple warts which are easily visible without close examination shall not be permitted to exhibit and are subject to quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds. Sheep and goats with caseous lymphadenitis as evidenced by draining abscesses shall not be exhibited and are subject to immediate quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds.
9. Illinois Department of Agriculture personnel or designee may collect blood, tissue, milk or urine samples from any animal being exhibited and/or raced at any Illinois Fair to test for the presence of illegal drugs. New examination techniques, such as ultrasound, may also be used at anytime while the animals are on the grounds of any Illinois Fair or exhibit. The Illinois Department of Agriculture may collect urine, blood, tissue or other test samples from exhibition animals at the time of slaughter.
10. All exhibitors of animals at any Illinois Fair or exhibition shall comply with the provisions of the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act. If violations are observed, the animal(s) will be excused from exhibition and ordered removed from the grounds with all awards being forfeited. Any practice of deviation from normal, accepted care, including physical, medical or mechanical application, shall constitute a violation of show rules and may result in the animal(s) disqualification and removal from the fairgrounds.
11. Any Illinois cattle or goats being exhibited in non-accredited free states must be isolated from the remainder of the herd/flock upon return to Illinois and retested for tuberculosis 60-120 days post-entry.

OUT OF STATE LIVESTOCK-All out-of-state animals shall require an entry permit. They must comply with the 2009 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements for out of state livestock as stated by the IL Dept. of Ag Bureau of Animal Health. Contact the Extension office if you need a copy of these requirements. This applies to any animals that have left the state in the last 120 days.

CATTLE

1. Individual identification of each animal shall be either a fully healed and legible tattoo, official metal ear tag, registration number, or individual brands, if brand is recorded on the registration certificate.
2. Illinois calves under 6 months of age, and Illinois steers are not required to have Certificate of Veterinary Inspections.
3. Illinois is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State and is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Testing for these diseases is not required for Illinois cattle.

SWINE

1. Swine shall be identified by an official ear tag, tattoo or recognized breed ear notch.
2. Ear notch identification is acceptable for barrows, crossbred gilts and breeding swine.
3. Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois swine.
4. All exhibition swine are required to be tested for pseudorabies as described below. Swine of all ages shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within 90 days prior to exhibition; or swine shall originate immediately and directly from a qualified pseudorabies negative herd.
5. Barrows and females in market classes must meet the same requirements as breeding swine.
6. Swine consigned to terminal market classes must meet the same test requirements as exhibition swine if these classes are held in conjunction with "exhibits not intended for slaughter."
7. When terminal classes are held on a day when no other livestock are present, these animals are exempt from all test requirements and do not need a health certificate. All swine terminal classes must be identified by a site tattoo.
8. Swine from pseudorabies quarantined herds are not allowed to exhibit regardless of whether or not the show is terminal or non-terminal.
9. Lee County 4-H Fair and Junior Show is not classified as a terminal show.

SHEEP

1. Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo, official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
2. Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.
3. When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database. Sheep originating from a herd that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
4. For any animal born after 1/1/2002, the CVI must include the flock date of birth and the flock origin, if different.
5. MARKET LAMBS: All wethers must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before weigh-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

GOATS

1. Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo, official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
2. Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.
3. When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.
4. Ears should be used for tattooing when possible. If there is no space in the ear, the flank or tail fold may be used.
5. For any animal born after 1/1/2002, the CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

HORSES, PONIES, MULES AND OTHER EQUINE

1. All horses and other equine, twelve (12) months of age and older shall be accompanied by a Negative Test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) conducted within the last twelve (12) months. A copy of this test shall accompany the animal.
2. AGID (Coggins) or ELISA tests are accepted.
3. A CVI is not required for Illinois equine.

RABBITS

No health certificate is required but all animals will be inspected upon arrival. Any rabbits that are determined to be sick or have an infectious or transmittable disease or ear mites should not be on the fairgrounds and must be taken home immediately.

CATS

No health certificate required, but proof of current immunizations against distemper (panleukopenia), feline rhinotracheitis and rabies are required. The preceding shots must be listed on vet invoice with cats name. Cats must also be free of fleas, lice, ear mites and mange. Any cat showing symptoms of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases will not be permitted to show.

DOGS

Accompanied by proof of health exam and current vaccinations, completed within 90 days prior to exhibition, showing dates of immunization. Shall be free from communicable diseases, free of external parasites and kept under direct control at all times. All dogs must have current immunization against rabies, distemper-hepatitis-lepto spirosis and parvo virus.

POULTRY

1. All entries (except waterfowl, i.e. domesticated fowl that normally swim, such as ducks and geese) in a show or exhibition shall have originated from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean or equivalent hatchery or flock OR have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. Exhibitor shall show proper information as to name and address of owner or exhibitor, name and address of the authorized testing agent, date of the testing and the number, breed, and species of those tested. Hatchery papers must be presented to superintendents to prove birds came from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean hatchery or testing must be completed.
2. Prior to being used to transport poultry to a show, all crates, boxes, containers and vehicles shall be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
3. Any poultry vaccinations must be performed at least 4 weeks prior to delivery to the show.
4. Upon admission to a show, all entries shall be examined by the official county fair veterinarian or qualified state personnel who shall also receive and examine all certificates necessary for admission of birds to a show. Birds not in show condition will be excused from exhibition and removed from the premises. Any fowl showing signs of illness during the fair will be removed from the exhibition grounds.
5. All out-of-state turkeys must originate from flocks that are officially classified as U.S. Mycoplasma Gallisepticum Clean in accordance with the provisions of the National Poultry Improvement Plan or be negative to a test for Mycoplasma gallisepticum within 30 days prior to entry.

**Illinois Department of Agriculture
 Division of Meat, Poultry and Livestock Inspection
 CERTIFICATE OF EXAMINATION OF POULTRY
OWNER OR EXHIBITOR**

Name and Location of Show

Number Entered	Breed	Species

Band No. of each bird: _____
If more space is needed, use reverse side

These birds were tested by _____
Name and Address Date

Birds came from the Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flock of _____
Name of Flock Owner

Address

On_____,20____, I inspected the listed poultry entries and source of flock or flocks and to the best of my knowledge found them free from any evidence of, and not recently exposed to, any other infectious or transmissible disease.

Name and Address of Flock Owner or Exhibitor

The inspection date must be within 5 days of admission to the above show.