

**2009 HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITION OF LIVESTOCK,
POULTRY AND BIRDS AT A COUNTY 4H/FFA FAIR**

ANY EVIDENCE OF WARTS, RINGWORM, FOOT ROT, PINK EYE, DRAINING ABSCESSSES OR ANY OTHER CONTAGIOUS OR INFECTIOUS CONDITION WILL ELIMINATE THE ANIMAL FROM THE SHOW.

No individual Certificate of Veterinary Inspection will be required on animals or poultry exhibited at County 4-H/FFA FAIR, but the animals must be inspected when unloaded or shortly thereafter by an accredited veterinarian. All animals moving from out of state into an Iowa county 4-H/FFA fair must meet Iowa Animal and Livestock Importation requirements. Each show must have an official veterinarian.

Quarantined animals or animals from quarantined herds cannot be exhibited.

Swine exhibitors at county fairs that do not require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, must sign and present an owner affidavit that the animals being exhibited did not originate from a quarantined herd and to the best of their knowledge, swine dysentery has not been in evidence in their herd for the past 12 months.

All swine exhibited must be accompanied by a record of a negative pseudorabies test, the test having been performed within 30 days prior to show, for swine originating from a Stage 4 or lower status county, subject to 64.35(2). No pseudorabies testing is required for swine originating from a Stage 5 county (**Iowa is Stage 5**).

Swine returning from an exhibition to its home herd or moved to a purchaser's herd, following an exhibition or consignment sale, must be isolated and retested negative for pseudorabies not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days after reaching the swine's destination. (Code of Iowa 166D.13(2))

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. No testing is required for swine at an exhibition that involves only market classes, provided all swine are consigned directly to a slaughter establishment from the exhibition. The site that the swine originate from must have a current monitored status in order for the swine to be transported to the fairgrounds (statistical testing completed within the last twelve months or originate from a site in Stage III or higher area). Swine leaving the exhibition from a market class must be consigned and moved direct to a slaughtering establishment.
- B. If counties have a split show and the breeding animals are exhibited and returned home before the market classes arrive, it will not be necessary to have a test record on the animals showing in the market classes; however, market class animals must have a current monitored status in order to be transported to the fairgrounds.

SHEEP AND GOATS

All sexually intact sheep must have an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag. All sexually intact goats must be identified with an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag or by an official tattoo registered with USDA (to register, call 1-866-USDA-TAG).

POULTRY AND BIRDS

All poultry exhibited must come from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks, or have had a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within 90 days of public exhibition and the test must have been performed by an authorized tester. (SEE GENERAL SECTION 1.B)

However, "Market Classes" of poultry consigned to a slaughter establishment are exempt from the Salmonella testing requirements. "Market Classes" of poultry must be separated from all other poultry by a distance of ten or more feet and/or an eight-foot high solid partition.

DOGS AND CATS

All dogs and cats exhibited must have a current rabies vaccination certificate.

FARM DEER

Accredited veterinarians must be approved to administer tuberculosis tests on Cervidae.

“Cervidae” means all animals belonging to the cervidae family, and “CWD susceptible cervidae” means whitetail deer, blacktail deer, mule deer, red deer, and elk. Cervidae may be exhibited without other testing requirements when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection that lists individual official identification.

All Cervidae must have been part of the herd of origin for at least one year or were natural additions, or must have originated from a chronic wasting disease monitored or certified herd in which these animals have been kept for at least one year or were natural additions. Cervidae originating from a herd with a diagnosis, signs, epidemiological evidence, or area under quarantine for chronic wasting disease may not be exhibited. The following statement must appear on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:

- A. CWD susceptible cervidae: “All Cervidae on this certificate originate from a chronic wasting disease monitored or certified herd in which these animals have been kept for at least one year or were natural additions. There has been no diagnosis, signs, or epidemiological evidence of chronic wasting disease in this herd for the past year.”
- B. Other cervidae. “All Cervidae on this certificate have been part of the herd of origin for at least one year or were natural additions to this herd. There has been no diagnosis, signs, or epidemiological evidence of chronic wasting disease in this herd for the past year.”

THE DECISION OF THE OFFICIAL SHOW VETERINARIAN WILL BE FINAL.

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Animal Health Precaution

All livestock buildings are sprayed for flies prior to entry day. Special attention is given to the livestock barns before each fair, and while every precaution is taken to insure the health of the livestock entered for exhibition, the Fair Association cannot assume responsibility for the health and safety of the animals during their stay on the grounds.