

Exhibitors at Washington Fairs

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2016 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements and Recommendations

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Enclosed are the recommended animal health requirements and livestock inspection regulations for entries to Washington fairs. These are minimum standards only and individual fairs may apply more stringent regulations.

If the show animal is not entered into a terminal event, be sure to practice the biosecurity necessary to prevent the spread of disease to the farm of origin.

Entry Permits

Entry permits are required for all out-of-state cattle, sheep rams over six months of age and swine. A blanket entry permit to a fair will be issued upon request by calling (360) 902-1878.

Special Sales

- An application for a special livestock sale may be obtained by calling the Livestock Identification Program at (360) 902-1855. A copy of the application is enclosed.
- Make sure to get your special sales permit in on time (**15 days prior to the sale to be considered**).
- A Certificate of Permit (haul slip) needs to be filled out completely by the consigner prior to transporting and consigning the animal to the sale. You can purchase by calling (360) 902-1855.
- Cattle being consigned must provide proper proof of ownership documents at the time of inspection. If proof of ownership is not satisfied, proceeds of the animal's sale will be held until proper ownership documentation is presented.
- If a brand inspection is needed, it will be done prior to the sale. If you have any questions please contact Kris Budde, Program Support Supervisor (509) 994-3345 or Kyle Schaffer, Brand Inspector 2 (360) 303-1549.

CVI / Health Certificates

All out-of-state animals coming to a Washington State Fair must have a certificate of veterinary inspection (health certificate) completed within 30 days prior to shipment.

Zoonotic Diseases

Please remember that E. coli 0157H7, Salmonella and other infections can be transmitted by contact with animals. Children, seniors and immune impaired persons are particularly susceptible. Hand washing facilities should be available wherever human-animal or animal waste contact is possible and signage directing the public to those facilities needs to be visible.

Resources

For information on exhibiting animals at Washington fairs see our fair resources page at: <http://agr.wa.gov/FoodAnimal/AvianHealth/Fairs.aspx>

OUT- OF- STATE CATTLE

All cattle are required to have:

- A certificate of veterinary inspection prior to entry which contains:
 - listing official individual identification
 - an entry permit number, which may be a blanket permit number issued to individual fairs.
 - ownership inspection (brand) from the state of origin prior to entering the fair.

Brucellosis Test Requirement

- All **dairy** bulls over six months and vaccinated **dairy** females over 20 months that **WILL BE SOLD** at the fair requires a negative brucellosis test within 30 days prior to shipment.
- No test required if for show only.

Tuberculosis Test Requirement

- All **dairy** bulls and heifers 12 months of age and older require a negative tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to shipment.
- **All cattle** used for rodeo or timed events must have a negative test for tuberculosis within twelve months.

Trichomoniasis Test Requirement

- Bulls over 18 months of age must have a negative bovine trichomoniasis qPCR test within twelve months prior to shipment into Washington State and have a statement on the certificate of veterinary inspection certifying that the bulls have had no female breeding contact after being sampled.
- **Any breeding bull** 18 months of age or older that **WILL BE SOLD** at the fair requires a negative bovine trichomoniasis qPCR test within 60 days prior to the fair.
- Exemption to the bovine trichomoniasis test is a bull less than 18 months of age, as determined by dentition inspection by an accredited veterinarian or verified by breed registration documents, that is confirmed by a statement and the signature of the owner or the owner's designee as having had no breeding contact with female cattle.

Cattle from Canada and Mexico

- **All cattle** 12 months of age and older from the countries of Canada and Mexico require a negative tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to shipment.
- **All cattle** over six months of age from the countries of Canada and Mexico require a negative test for Brucellosis within 30 days prior to shipment.
- Our policy is to allow non-vaccinated Canadian cattle, six months of age, entry to the fair and return to Canada provided the fair board rules allow non-vaccinates to be exhibited.
- A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, an entry permit number, a negative tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to shipment and a negative brucellosis test within 30 days prior to shipment is required.
- If Canadian cattle remain in the state, they must meet Washington brucellosis vaccination and livestock inspection program requirements. They will be CAN branded by a representative of the Animal Services Division.

OUT-OF-STATE-HORSES

All horses are required to have :

- A certificate of veterinary inspection issued 30 days prior to shipment.
- Horses over six months of age are required to have a negative test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) within twelve months of entry.
- Horses from the state of Idaho and Oregon are exempt from the EIA test.
- An ownership inspection (brand) from the state of origin prior to entering the fair.

OUT-OF-STATE-SHEEP-AND-GOATS

All sheep and goats are required to have:

- Certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days prior to shipment with a statement saying they are free of clinical signs of sore mouth, foot rot and caseous lymphadenitis
- Rams over six months of age require an entry permit number.
- Official individual scrapie identification

If lactating goats are entering, their milk must be discarded during any stay in Washington unless they have been tested negative for brucellosis within 30 days and tuberculosis within 60 days prior to shipment.

Brucellosis Test Requirement

Any breed of ram six months of age or older that **WILL BE SOLD** at the fair requires a negative test for *Brucella ovis* within 30 days prior to shipment

Scrapie Test Requirement

Any black-faced ram **offered for sale** requires a genotype test for scrapie and must show a test result of QR or RR at the 171 Condon.

OUT-OF-STATE-SWINE

All swine are required to have:

- A certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days prior to shipment
 - The certificate of veterinary inspection must contain the following certification: "To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not originated from a premise known to be affected by Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus (PEDv), and have not been exposed to PEDv within the last 30 days." The certification must be signed by both the owner of the swine and the certifying veterinarian.
- Official USDA identification
- An entry permit number.

The state veterinarian reserves the right to apply further restrictions should the PEDv threat become greater as the fair season approaches.

If you have any questions, please contact the Animal Services Division at (360) 902-1878 or email animalhealth@agr.wa.gov.

OUT-OF-STATE-ALPACAS-AND-LLAMAS

All alpacas and llamas are required to have:

- Certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days prior to shipment

OUT-OF-STATE-POULTRY

All poultry are required to have:

- USDA NPIP VS Form 9-3 or a certificate of veterinary inspection within 30 days prior to entry and must not be coming from an area that is under state or federal restrictions.
- All other birds, including exotic fowl, pigeons, and doves, require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection that contains the following statement:
 - "To the best of my knowledge, the birds listed on this certificate are not infected with exotic Newcastle disease, psittacosis, or avian influenza and have been free from clinical signs of or known exposure to infectious or communicable disease during the past thirty days."

NPIP requirement

- All chickens and game birds must originate from an NPIP participant flock that has met Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza classification requirements or has tested negative for Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza within 30 days prior to entry.
- All waterfowl must originate from a NPIP participant flock that has met Avian Influenza classification requirements or has tested negative for Avian Influenza within 30 days prior to entry.
- All turkeys must originate from an NPIP participant flock that has met Pullorum-Typhoid, Avian Influenza, Mycoplasma Gallisepticum and Mycoplasma Synoviae classification requirements or has tested negative for Pullorum-Typhoid, Avian Influenza, Mycoplasma Gallisepticum and Mycoplasma Synoviae within 30 days prior to entry.

IN-STATE-POULTRY

All chickens, exotic fowl, and game birds must test negative for Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days prior to exhibition. Waterfowl, doves, and pigeons are exempt from this rule. Exhibitors are exempt from this rule if they are members of NPIP, or within the last 12 months, have purchased their show birds from a NPIP participating producer or a feed store that purchased their chicks from an NPIP participating producer.

If you have any questions please contact Beth Corder at (360) 725-5494 or email bcorder@agr.wa.gov.

RECOMMENDED MINIMUM ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS AND LIVESTOCK INSPECTION FOR COUNTY, DISTRICT & STATE FAIRS

1. Each fair should have an official fair veterinarian in attendance.
 2. Individual Certificate of Veterinary Inspections on Washington animals is not required for entry into the fair. If the fair requires a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection on in-state animals, then a private veterinarian can issue a certificate of veterinary inspection per group or individual.
 3. No animal from a quarantined area or premises may be permitted to enter the fair or show.
 4. **OUT-OF-STATE ANIMAL ENTRIES MUST COMPLY WITH STATE OF WASHINGTON IMPORT REGULATIONS. NO EXEMPTIONS UNLESS EXEMPTED BY RULE.**
 5. Fair veterinarians should inspect all classes of livestock and poultry (including but not limited to cattle, sheep, swine, horses, pet animals, rabbits, fur-bearing animals, pigeons, ducks, geese and turkeys, etc.) before they are exhibited to determine that the livestock and poultry show no clinical indications of contagious, infectious diseases and ectoparasites.
 6. Fair veterinarians should reject any animal with infectious or contagious diseases or ectoparasites. Exhibitors should be made aware that ringworm, warts, pinkeye, strangles, contagious ecthyma, scabies, lice, mites, ticks and fleas fall into these categories. All poultry that have been vaccinated for ILT (Infectious Laryngotracheitis) should be rejected from showing. Poultry infected with the field strain or the vaccine-like strain of ILT can shed the virus when stressed, resulting in other birds becoming infected.
 7. Fair veterinarians must check out-of-state exhibitors for proper import documents and required testing.
 8. It is strongly recommended, but not required, that cattle be vaccinated in the current show year against respiratory diseases.
 9. The fair veterinarian's professional decision as to the health status of an animal must be final and be upheld by the fair board. Animals exhibiting disease symptoms during the course of the fair should be rejected by the fair veterinarian and removed from the exhibit area.
 10. It is strongly recommended to supply separate barns for separate species. Wash racks, show rings and loading and unloading equipment should not be shared between cattle and sheep/goats. If this is not possible, cattle should be exhibited first, then exhibit the sheep/goats. Practice good animal health biosecurity which includes cleaning and disinfection.
- Show and fair boards may require additional tests or vaccinations that would be listed in the fair premium book.