

STATE LIVESTOCK HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

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2018 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements

County Fairs

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

These Exhibition Health Requirements apply to all livestock present at the fair including those animals that are not entered in competitive events.

Health Certificate / Certificate of Veterinary Inspection

The term "Health Certificate" or "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection" (CVI) means a legible record, made on an official form of the state of origin, issued by an accredited veterinarian, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet the health requirements of the state of destination.

A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI):

1. Must accompany animals, except as noted, and be available on request by Animal Health Officials; All out-of-state animals shall require an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available by calling the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, at 217/782-4944. Permits may also be obtained online at: <http://www.agr.state.il.us/AnimalHW/animalregistry/login.php>
 2. Must show results of required tests and/or vaccinations;
 3. Must show name and address of owner or exhibitor;
 4. Must be dated and signed by an accredited veterinarian;
 5. Must show only one (1) identification per line on the CVI; and
 6. Must show the official identification of each animal.
 7. For out-of-state livestock, a CVI shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance.
 8. For Illinois origin livestock, a CVI shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.
 9. 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.
- Note: No Corrections or Additions will be allowed on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
Any Illinois cattle, bison, cervidae 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.

Animals with active lesions of ringworm with resulting loss of hair, soremouth, caseous lymphadenitis or multiple warts easily visible without close examination, will not be permitted to exhibit. Animals infested with scabies or mange will not be permitted to exhibit. As a condition of entry in Illinois State Fair events, all exhibitors agree to cooperate fully with testing protocols including ultrasound. Department personnel 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 any substances, practices or other adulterants which may give the animal a competitive advantage. The Illinois Department of Agriculture may also collect blood, tissue or other test samples from exhibition animals at the time of slaughter.

Market animals (steers, barrows, wethers) at the Illinois State Fair must meet the requirements regarding drug withdrawal and eligibility for slaughter. If any therapeutic drugs are used just prior to the fair, they must have a withdrawal time such that they are slaughter eligible by the time they arrive at the fairgrounds. Upon entry to the Illinois State Fairgrounds, no person shall administer internally or externally any medication or drug, including prescription and non-prescription, unless prior written authorization is received from the State Veterinarian's Office. Any medication or drug administered without written authorization or in an unauthorized dosage

constitutes a violation of show rules, and all premiums and awards from all shows for the owner, exhibitor and/or trainer will be withheld.

All exhibitors of animals at any Illinois Fair 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 be ordered removed from the grounds with all awards and premiums being forfeited. Any practice or deviation from normal, accepted care, including physical or mechanical application, will constitute a violation of show rules and is subject to the above provisions.

CATTLE

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be either a fully healed and legible tattoo, approved official ear tag, registration number, or individual brand, if brand is recorded on the registration certificate.

Illinois Cattle

Brucellosis

1. Illinois is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois cattle.

Tuberculosis

Illinois is an Accredited Tuberculosis- Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Illinois cattle.

Please note: Illinois calves under 6 months of age, and Illinois steers are not required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Out-of-State-Cattle

All out-of-state cattle are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available by calling the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, at 217/782-4944. Permits may also be obtained online at: <http://www.agr.state.il.us/AnimalHW/animalregistry/login.php>

Brucellosis

1. Female cattle six (6) months of age and older and bulls eighteen (18) months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within thirty (30) days prior to entry, unless exempt by one (1) of the following:

- A. Originate directly from a certified brucellosis-free herd.
- B. Official vaccinates of dairy breeds under twenty (20) months of age or official vaccinates of beef breeds under twenty-four (24) months of age.
- C. Animal originated from a "Class Free" state (if entire state is so classified)
- D. Steers and spayed heifers are not required to be tested for brucellosis

2. The negative brucellosis test shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory within 30 days prior to exhibition.

Tuberculosis

1. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States A. No tuberculin test required. All cattle, including steers, originating from an Accredited Tuberculosis Free State, may enter Illinois for exhibition when accompanied by a CVI issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days.

2. Non-Accredited Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)

- A. Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past year.
- B. The individual animals entering Illinois must be negative to an additional tuberculin test conducted within 30 days prior to exhibition.
- C. Cattle that enter Illinois for exhibition and remain in Illinois (animal does not return to the state of origin within 30 days) must be isolated and retested for TB 60-120 days from the last official TB test date.

SWINE

Illinois Swine

Identification

1. Swine shall be identified by an official ear tag, tattoo or recognized breed ear notch.
2. Ear notch identification is acceptable for all barrows, crossbred gilts and breeding swine.
(Note: Ear notch identification of crossbred swine does not satisfy USDA identification requirements for interstate movement or official testing.)

Brucellosis

Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois swine.

Pseudorabies

Pseudorabies testing is not required for Illinois swine.

Out-of-State Swine

All out-of-state swine are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available by calling the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, at 217/782-4944. Permits may also be obtained online at: <http://www.agr.state.il.us/AnimalHW/animalregistry/login.php>

Identification

1. Individually identified by an official ear tag, tattoo or recognized breed ear notch.
2. Ear notch identification is not acceptable for crossbred animals.

Brucellosis

1. Breeding swine 4 months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to exhibition unless exempt by one (1) of the following:
 - A. Originate immediately and directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd.
 - B. Originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free state.
2. Swine brucellosis tests for exhibition shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory.

Pseudorabies

1. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage IV or V state are exempt from the pseudorabies testing requirement.
2. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage III state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry or originate immediately and directly from a qualified pseudorabies negative herd.
3. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage I or II state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within the 10 days prior to entry.
4. Barrows and females in market classes must meet the same requirements as breeding swine.

SHEEP

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader. Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.

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.

Market Lambs

All market lambs must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before weigh-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

Illinois Sheep

1. Sheep originating from a herd or flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd or flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd/flock plan.
2. For any animal born after 1/1/2002, the CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Sheep

All out-of-state sheep are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available by calling the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, at 217/782-4944.

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GOATS

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. Ears should be used for tattooing when possible. If there is no space in the ear, the flank or tail fold may be used.

Illinois Goats

1. Goats originating from a herd or flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd or flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd/flock plan.

2. For any animal born after 1/1/2002, the CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Goats

All out-of-state goats are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available by calling the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, at 217/782-4944.

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1. Goats originating from a herd or flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd or flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd/flock plan.

2. Tuberculosis- Goats from areas or states that are not Accredited Bovine Tuberculosis Free, must be accompanied by a CVI indicating that the goats originated from a herd where a complete negative herd test has been conducted within the past twelve (12) months and the individual animals are negative to a tuberculin test conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry. For any animal born after 1/1/2002, the CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

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.

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 an official 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.

6. A permit is also required for out-of-state poultry. A permit may be obtained by calling (217)782-4944.

Please note: These poultry exhibition requirements do not apply to 4-H and FFA 1-day poultry shows where the entries are taken to the show and returned home the same day. However, a permit is required for out-of-state poultry.

RABBITS

There are no requirements governing the movements of rabbits within or into Illinois.