

Appendix 3

General Rules and Regulations

1. The Fair Board management will exercise every reasonable care in the protection of exhibits but will not be responsible for loss or damage from any cause including fire or theft. All exhibits will be under the direction of the Fair Board but in no case will he or the County of Greene, County Commissioners or its agencies and instrumentality's be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any loss, injury, or damage, done or occasioned by or arising from any exhibit entered by him and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Fair Board against such loss, injury or damage in regard thereto. Each exhibitor is required to sign a liability waiver/hold harmless statement as a condition of entry. For exhibitors 17 years of age or under this statement will be signed by his parent or guardian.
2. All entries must be postmarked by July 24, 2024.
3. All competitive exhibits must have been grown, made or fashioned in Pennsylvania since the 2023 Fair unless otherwise stated under specific departmental rules. These exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor residing in Pennsylvania. The Fair Board reserves the right to reject any exhibit that is questionable as to variety or breed, or does not show excellence in its respective classification.
4. The Fair Board reserves the right to withhold any premium for lack of merit of exhibits and authorizes judges to award a lower place premium if deemed best. The Fair Board further reserves the right in case of determined ineligibility of an exhibit, following the judgment but prior to the close of the show, to grade up other exhibits of the same class and pay premium on the revised placings. The Show management will not assume responsibility for the payment of premiums offered other than those provided by the Fair Board. All premiums are subject to change by the Fair Board dependent upon funding support.
5. Exhibitors are not permitted to bring livestock, other animals, or other items **not** entered for exhibit to the show building for sale purposes or other purposes.
6. All exhibits will be under the direction of the Fair Board. The show management and/or Fair Board reserves the right to interpret all rules and regulations governing the show, make such interpretations, decisions and settle and determine all matters, or differences, in regard thereto, as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the show. All such interpretations and decisions will be final. Protest may be made to the Fair Board by an exhibitor for any violation to the rules. All protests must be made by the protester, addressed to the Fair Board, received within 24 hours of the alleged violation. A \$100.00 fee must accompany any protest requiring an investigative procedure. Fee will be returned in the event the protest is sustained.
7. The space for competitive exhibits is limited. The Fair Board reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any department of the Show to those which can be accommodated in the available space. Any exhibitor who removes or tampers with stalling signage or stall charts will be disqualified from participation in the Fair.
8. The General Entry Blank should be used in all cases where no special blank is provided.
9. Ownership of exhibits. All exhibits remain the property of the exhibitor unless otherwise specified in the Department Rules. All livestock will be released as noted in department rules. All other exhibits may be claimed by the exhibitor or his representative between 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm Sunday, August 11, 2024.
10. Any exhibitor violating the release time or other Fair Board rules or regulations may lose the privilege of showing at a future Show or be subject to other appropriate action as deemed necessary by the Fair Board.
11. Junior & Youth Division classes eligibility. These classes are open to 4-H Club members and Vocational Agriculture students. Exhibitors must be members of a regularly organized 4-H Club or be Vocational Agriculture Students, carrying a project in the field they wish to make entry and be under the supervision of the Pennsylvania State University Agricultural and Cooperative Extension Service or a Vocational Agriculture Instructor.
12. No alcoholic beverages are permitted. Violators will be subject to dismissal from the Show and forfeit all premiums.
13. Exhibitors must review and follow department specific rules

Livestock Rules

1. Exhibitors shall conform to all requests of the management to lead out their animals for parade, exhibition, judging contest, or other purposes. Refusal will result in forfeiture of prizes won and such other penalty as the Fair Board may impose.
2. Pens and stalls will be assigned on the basis of the number of entries by each exhibitor. Each exhibitor's area will be clearly marked. All exhibitors will use the pens or stalls assigned to them. These facilities are to be used only to tie or enclose livestock. Entry cancellations will cause forfeiture of entry fees.
3. Livestock trucks to be on Fair property during show week shall be parked- under the direction of the Livestock Committee in the area set aside for such trucks as soon as unloaded. All trailers must be removed from the

- grounds Sunday, August 6 in the evening. **Livestock trailers are not permitted to be parked on the grounds!**
4. All applications for entries must be made on printed forms giving class number, age, registration number (in case of purebred animals) and all other necessary information. These forms after being signed by the exhibitor are to be filed with the Fair Secretary on or before closing date of entries.
 5. To be eligible for competition, whether singly or in groups, animals (horses, sheep, swine, goats, dairy cattle, and beef cattle) must be owned by the exhibitor except where otherwise specified.
 6. Fees must be paid at time entries are made. No entry fee is charged for Junior exhibits. Any junior exhibit entered into an open show must pay open show fees.
 7. Exhibitors must have registration certificates available for inspection by management at all times until the judging of the breed is completed. Only original breed registration paper will be accepted when checking in entries. No Photostats, Facsimiles, or copies will be accepted. A copy also must be given to the check-in desk at the time of check-in.
 8. Any exhibitor found to be showing an animal identified improperly will have the animal removed from the show and sale. All premiums and ribbons will be returned. That individual will not be permitted to show at the Fair for one year in either the Open Show or Junior Show. The name of the exhibitor involved will be sent to all County Extension offices and The State Department of Vocational Agriculture.
 9. In all cases the right is reserved to reject entirely or accept conditionally, any entry or application for entry if stalls or pens are not available. No outside pens are permitted!
 10. If a beef, sheep, goat, or horse breed does not have at least three exhibitors with a total of 15 animals exhibited each year for two consecutive years, that breed will be dropped from the show classification the following year.
 11. No nurse cows will be permitted on the premises.
 12. All exhibits must be in place as indicated in Department rules.
 13. No entry fees will be refunded except when an applicant withdraws his entry before closing date for entries or when an application cannot be accepted on date of closing of entries because space is not available.
 14. No animal will be awarded a prize unless removed from its stall and exhibited in the designated show ring at the scheduled time.
 15. Substitution, within breed, of animals (horses, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, dairy cattle, rabbits, and beef cattle) entered for reasons satisfactory to the management will be permitted until the opening day of the show, provided the animal substitution was owned by the exhibitor at the time entries closed. All requests for substitutions of this kind and the reasons therefore, together with a description of the substitution animal shall be filed in writing with the Fair Secretary
 16. No person other than those holding animals being exhibited will be allowed in the show ring during the time of judging, except the officials.
 17. Any movement of animals from one place to another within the Fair Show Area must be done with two people controlling the movement, one person to lead or control the animal, the other to position him/herself to provide cautionary warnings to the public.
 18. Due to limited storage space and to prevent obstruction of aisles and tie areas, livestock exhibitors are not permitted to bring excessive amounts of feed, hay and straw into the barns. Exhibitors who furnish their own feed and forage may bring it into the barn between **7:00 am and 3:00 pm**. All supplies must be stored subject to the approval of superintendent.
 19. Exhibitors will be required to maintain their respective areas in a reasonably clean and orderly condition at all times.
 20. Trimming/Blocking chutes are permitted for beef cattle only, and remain in designated areas or they will be removed from the grounds.
 21. The displaying of farm signs, banners, etc. over exhibits is encouraged. These displays must not interfere in any way with other exhibitors or with the conduct of the Show. Neither shall they create a safety hazard to animals or spectators.
 22. Power washers, generators, and other electrical equipment are prohibited in the washrooms and wash rack areas.
 23. Animal Health Regulations: The base date for computing health rules will be January 1, 2024.
 24. Beef Cattle Tie Out Time - Cattle may be taken to the tie out area at 10:00 pm, but must be in their exhibit area by 8:00 am. **No pens are to be used or made for outside tie outs! No tents to be used to house livestock!**
 25. SAFETY: In the event that the show committee determines that the showing or displaying of an animal(s) is potentially harmful to any exhibitor, animal, or the public, Fair Board reserves the right to prevent, dismiss or excuse an exhibitor from showing or displaying his animal(s), and in extreme circumstances ask the exhibitor along with his animal(s) to vacate the premises.
 26. 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 Fair.

Health Rules for Cattle and Steers

1. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** All cattle must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian with an inspection date within the 30 days prior to the date of arrival at the show.
2. **Cattle Identification Requirements:** (a). All cattle for exhibition must be identified by a USDA-issued metal ear tag; a breed registration ear tag; or an ISO-compliant 15-digit ear tag (including RFID). (b). All market cattle must be identified by an RFID (tag).
3. **Rabies Vaccination:** A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is recommended for animals three months of age and older (market cattle are exempt from this vaccination requirement). If given, all vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated cattle must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain the name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable. A rabies vaccination is not recommended for market steers.
4. **Other Vaccination Recommendations:** It is highly recommended that all cattle entering the show be immunized against IBR, PI3, BVD, and BRSV. It is strongly recommended that at least one vaccination against IBR, PI3, BVD, and BRSV be given within the 12 months prior to the date of arrival at the show.
5. **Out-Of-State Cattle** (*must also follow rules above*)
 - **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."
 - **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 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 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).

Health Rules for Equine Animals

1. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** All equine animals must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian with an inspection date within the 30 days prior to the date of arrival at the show.
2. **Equine Infectious Anemia Test Requirements:** All equine animals 6 months of age and older must have tested negative for EIA by an official test within the 12 months prior to the date of arrival at the show. A copy of the official test results must accompany each animal to its final destination. A foal less than 6 months of age accompanied by a dam which meets the above requirements is exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is less than 6 months of age and is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the foal's negative test results must accompany the foal to its final destination. The negative report must accompany the equine and must include an accurate description including age, color, sex, and any other reliable identification such as tattoos, distinctive marks, etc. Solid color animals must be identified by some method of unique identification such as a lip tattoo, brand, or at least two distinctive markings such as whirls. The name of the laboratory conducting the EIA test, and the date of the test and result must be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. A photocopy of the test report must be submitted with the entry form.

3. **Rabies Vaccination:** A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is recommended for animals three months of age and older. If given, all vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated equine animals must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain the name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
4. **Other Vaccination Recommendations:** The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture recommends that exhibitors consult with their veterinarians about the proper vaccination regimen for their animals.

Health Rules for Goats

1. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** All goats to be exhibited must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian with an inspection date within the 30 days prior to the date of arrival at the show.
2. **Goat Identification Requirements:** (a). All goats for exhibition must be identified by an official USDA scrapie eartag; a USDA-approved scrapie tattoo (in addition to individual ID); a USDA-approved custom scrapie eartag; an ISO-compliant 15-digit eartag (including RFID); or a breed registration tattoo if the tattoo is legible and the registration certificate accompanies the animal. The animal ID must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
3. **Out-Of-State Goats (must also follow rules above)**
 - a. **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."

Health Rules for Sheep

1. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** All sheep must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian with an inspection date within the 30 days prior to the date of arrival at the fair. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written in the CVI.
2. **Sheep Identification Requirements:** All sheep for exhibition must be identified by one of the following: an official USDA ear tag with a US shield; 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.
3. **Rabies Vaccination:** A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals three months of age and older (market sheep are exempt from this vaccination requirement). All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated sheep must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate or the vaccination information must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain the name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable. It is not recommended for market sheep to have a rabies vaccination.
7. **Out-Of-State Sheep (must also follow rules above)**
 - **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."

Health Rules for Rabbits

1. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** All rabbits to be exhibited must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian with an inspection date within the 30 days prior to the date of arrival at the show.
2. **Reporting of Disease:** While on exhibit or at any time following exhibition, it is an obligation to report all mass mortality events and all rabbits who are ill and bleeding from eyes, nose, mouth, or have bloody stools to the Department's emergency line 717-772-2852, option 1. It is vital to quickly identify and prevent dangerous transmissible diseases such as Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD) from spreading.
3. **Vaccination against RHDV-2:** Vaccination of Pennsylvania origin rabbits against RHDV-2 is recommended.
4. **Out-Of-State Rabbits (must also follow rules above)**
 - a. **Interstate and International Order of Quarantine:** The owner and the exhibition or destination shall comply with the requirements of the Department's quarantine order, "Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease [50 Pa.B. 5272, Saturday, September 26, 2020].
 - b. **Rabbits originating from a Commonwealth, State, Territory or Country identified as being affected by RHD within the 12 months prior to the start of the exhibition:** No rabbits or their products, such as meat, pelts, hides, carcasses or other items, and no equipment, exposed feed, forages, or conveyances or other items or associated materials may enter the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from a Commonwealth, State, Territory, or Country where RHD has been diagnosed in the prior twelve (12) months or there is a reasonable suspicion it exists unless they meet the following requirements:
 1. All live rabbits must be accompanied by a CVI and must be examined by an accredited veterinarian within the seventy-two (72) hours prior to the date of shipment to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The CVI must include statements by an accredited veterinarian certifying that:
 2. All rabbits in the shipment have been examined for and found free of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases;
 3. All rabbits have originated from a single premises that has no signs of infectious, contagious or communicable disease in rabbits;
 4. There have been no movements of rabbits onto the premises of origin within the 90 days prior to the date of shipment; and
 5. The rabbits have had no contact with wild or captive rabbits other than their cohorts in the 90 days prior to the date of shipment.
 - c. No rabbits or their products, such as meat, pelts, hides, carcasses or other items, and no equipment, exposed feed or conveyances or other items or associated materials may enter the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from a premises exposed to, contaminated with or known to be affected with RHD, or where there is a reasonable suspicion the disease exists or the rabbits have been exposed to or infected with RHD.

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.
- Animals may NOT be muzzled at any time.

Handling - 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 should 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 which 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. Straw, shavings, and corn cobs are permitted. Exhibitors must supply their own bedding.

Feed 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 animal's basic requirements. Animals not allowed reasonable access to feed and water will be disqualified from the show.

Transportation - animals should be transported in a way that is both safe and considerate of the animal's well-being. In the winter, animals should be transported in enclosed trucks or trailers to protect them from the cold.

Blankets/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.

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 medication is indicated, be sure to follow the label directions and allow more than the stated withdrawal time.

GENERAL: Note: No animal showing signs of contagious, or infectious disease, or external parasites will be allowed entry to the show. Exhibitors must have all necessary health papers with the herdsman in charge when entries arrive at the show. All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.

GROOMING: Use only grooming products that are approved for use on meat producing animals when fitting any animal for show. Unapproved products may contain ingredients that result in unacceptable residues in the meat. If it is not certain that a product is residue safe and approved for use on meat animals, don't use it!

MARKET ANIMALS: Animals consigned for slaughter during or immediately following the show shall not receive any treatment with drugs or biologics within the withdrawal time prior to slaughter. Withdrawal times for drugs and biologics are all stated on the directions for use. Label directions must be followed at all times.

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