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PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANIMALS FOR  
EXHIBITION, INCLUDING COMMERCIAL EXHIBITION**

This document provides the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's (PDA) animal health requirements and recommendations for the Pennsylvania County and Community Fairs. All exhibitors are encouraged to check with the management of each fair in advance to ensure compliance with all fair requirements.

Fair management is requested to maintain records and asked to provide contact information of owners of all animals which are exhibited to PDA upon request. Please note, there are new sales slips and records requirements, and documentation needed to move with sheep and goats after a sale.

It remains our goal to continue poultry exhibitions in 2021. We will continue to monitor reports of avian influenza cases that may occur in the United States that could put our poultry industry at risk.

The following Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinary Consultation Relationship statement for the animals and poultry being exhibited must be included with a signature line for the owner or caretaker on the fair registration form: "I attest and affirm that a "veterinarian consultation relationship" – as that phrase is defined in the Animal Exhibition Sanitation Law found at 3 Pa.C.S.A. § 2501 et seq. and any amendments thereto – "exists with regard to any animals I will be exhibiting." Animals entering with a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) are exempt from this statement requirement.

For specified events at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, including the Pennsylvania Farm Show, the Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show, the Pennsylvania State Junior Dairy Show, the Keystone International Livestock Exposition, the Pennsylvania Fall Holstein Show and the Pennsylvania State 4-H Horse Show, exhibitors will need to consult the 2021 show managements' requirements.

PDA recommends that animals returning home from fairs and shows be isolated from other members of the herd or flock for a minimum of three weeks to help prevent the spread of disease and recommends that exhibitors of all animals discuss the health of their animals, including vaccine recommendations, with a veterinarian on a regular basis. PDA also encourages animal and poultry owners to register their premises so they can be contacted in a disease emergency situation. Call 717-836-3235 to register a premises.

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**Section 1: Pennsylvania Camelids**

**Requirements:**

PDA has no specific requirements for Pennsylvania camelids at fairs. However, fair management has the authority to impose requirements designed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

**Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. Individual official identification (ID). Official ID will have a US shield  and includes:
  - A United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-issued National Uniform Ear tagging System (NUES) tag; or
  - A 15-digit Animal Identification Number ear tag starting with “840”; or
  - An electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader); or
  - Other official identification approved by USDA (brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable); or
  - For animals without any of the ID options listed in number 3 above...on the PA Department of Agriculture CVI (Form AAI-113 Rev. 7/18) accredited veterinarians simply need to:
    - Check “OTHER” and write "Camelid" in box number 5;
    - Write the animal’s color in box number 14;
    - Record gender in box number 16;
    - Record age in box number 17; and
    - Record either “llama” or “alpaca” in box number 15

\*In addition, veterinarians are encouraged to write down any distinguishing markings that are present on the animal or include a photo to accompany the CVI. Questions regarding proper identification for camelids on CVIs for Pennsylvania fairs can be directed to PDA at 717-783-6851.

## **Section 2: Out of State Camelids**

### **Requirements:**



1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): This applies to camelids 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 located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Identification required: A person may not import camelids unless each animal is individually identified by a unique ear tag issued or approved by the state or country of origin, by a permanent tag or unique mark (tattoo) approved by the Department or by some other device or means of identification (microchip) approved by the Department. Questions regarding proper identification for camelids imported into Pennsylvania can be directed to the Department by calling 717-783-6851.
5. 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 of tests 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 the 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).

### **Recommendations:**

All out of state camelids must meet all criteria listed above as "requirements". PDA has no additional recommendations to prevent the introduction of contagious disease from out of state camelids.

### **Section 3: Pennsylvania Cattle**

#### **Requirements:**


1. Cattle shall be identified by an official ear tag or other unique identification device approved by PDA. Official identification includes:
  - A USDA-issued National Uniform Ear tagging System (NUES) ear tag having a US shield ; or
  - A 15 digit Animal Identification Number (AIN) ear tag starting with “840” and having a US shield ; or
  - Other identification approved by the PDA (brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable).

#### **Recommendations:**

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time).
4. Rodeo: It is recommended that rodeo cattle of all ages be negative on an official tuberculin test within 60 days prior to the start of the fair unless they are members of and originate from an accredited tuberculosis-free herd. The cattle can be accompanied by the negative test report or the tuberculosis test results can be recorded by the veterinarian on a CVI.

### **Section 4: Out of State Cattle**

#### **Requirements:**

1. Federal regulations (USDA) require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. 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.”
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Federal regulation (USDA) requires individual official animal identification. Official ID will have a US shield  and includes:
  - A USDA-issued National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) tag; or
  - A 15-digit Animal Identification Number (AIN) ear tag starting with “840”; or

- Other official identification approved by USDA. (brands and breed registrations with tattoos are not acceptable).

5. 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 of tests 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 the 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).
- **Special Tuberculosis Test requirement for Rodeo Cattle**  
All rodeo cattle and bison from out of state must be negative on an official tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to entering Pennsylvania unless they originate from and are members of an Accredited Tuberculosis-free herd within an accredited Tuberculosis-free state or zone. This requirement for rodeo cattle from out of state is in addition to all other requirements listed above for out of state cattle.

**Recommendations:**

1. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is recommended for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time).

## **Section 5. Pennsylvania Cervids**

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) program participants: Contact the Department (717-772-2852 or 717-783-5309) for specific requirements for exhibition of CWD-susceptible cervids to remain in compliance with CWD programs.

### **Requirements:**

1. Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID includes:
  - A legible and unique tattoo approved by the PDA or USDA;
  - A USDA-issued ear tag bearing a unique number provided by USDA that utilizes one of the following numbering systems:
    - The National Uniform Ear tagging System (NUES); or
    - The Animal Identification Number (AIN) ear tag bearing 15 digits starting with “840”; or
    - The premises-based numbering system using a Premises Identification Number (PIN) in conjunction with a livestock production numbering system; or
    - An electronic implant device, such as a microchip that utilizes a nationally unique 15-digit animal identification number starting with “840” provided an appropriate reader is immediately available wherever the animal is located.

### **Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. Fair management is requested to provide contact information of owners of all cervids which are exhibited to Mary Martin at the Department within 7 days of the last day of the exhibition (717-783-5309 or [marymartin@pa.gov](mailto:marymartin@pa.gov)).

## **Section 6: Out of State Cervids**

### **Requirements:**

1. All CWD-susceptible cervid species: A written importation permit is required from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Call Mary Martin at 717-783-5309 between 8 AM and 4 PM weekdays. Call for a permit at least 30 days in advance.
2. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation. The CVI shall confirm that the cervid originates from a herd that has been classified as “Certified” in a government-administered CWD herd certification program with components as determined by 9 CFR Part 55.24.
3. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS): This applies to cervids 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 located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed.”

4. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
5. Two forms of individual ID are required for CWD-susceptible species (including blacktail deer, elk, moose, mule deer, red deer, reindeer, sika deer, whitetail deer, and hybrids). One form of identification listed below is required as official animal identification. The second device may be either a second form of official animal identification or a form of individual animal identification which is unique to that animal within the herd and which is linked to the CWD database. Non CWD-susceptible species require only the official form of identification; a second form is not required. Consultation with PDA on currently acceptable forms of identification is strongly recommended when anticipating importation of cervids. Official ID includes:
  - A legible and unique tattoo approved by the Department and USDA; or,
  - A USDA-issued ear tag, bearing a unique number provided by USDA that utilizes one of the following numbering systems:
    - The National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES); or
    - The Animal Identification Number (AIN) ear tag bearing 15 digits starting with “840”; or
    - The premises-based numbering system using a Premises Identification Number (PIN) in conjunction with a livestock production numbering system; or
    - An electronic implant device, such as a microchip that utilizes a nationally unique 15-digit animal identification number starting with “840” provided an appropriate reader is immediately available wherever the animal is located.
6. Brucellosis testing requirements:
  - All sexually intact cervids 12 months of age and older are test-eligible.
  - If the animal is from a brucellosis certified-free herd, no further testing is required. The date of the most recent herd test and test results must be included on the CVI.
  - If the animal is from a brucellosis monitored herd, it must be brucellosis test negative within the 90 days prior to the date of importation. The date of the test and the test results must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by the laboratory test report (a copy of the test report is acceptable).
  - If the animal is from a herd with no brucellosis status, it must be brucellosis test negative within the 30 days prior to the date of importation. The date of the test and the test results must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by the laboratory test report (a copy of the test report is acceptable).
7. Tuberculosis testing requirements:
  - Cervids of all ages are test-eligible.
  - If the animal is from a tuberculosis accredited herd, no further testing is required. The date of the most recent herd test and test results must be included on the CVI.
  - If the animal is from a tuberculosis monitored or Qualified Herd, it must be tuberculosis test negative within the 90 days prior to the date of importation. The date of the test and test results 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).
  - If the animal is from a herd with no tuberculosis status, it must be test negative on two consecutive tuberculosis tests conducted at least 90 days apart, with the last test conducted within the 90 days prior to the date of importation. The date of the tests and test results must be included on the CVI or the animal must be accompanied by the negative test reports (copies of the test reports are acceptable).



8. All cervids: Fair management is requested to provide contact information of owners of all cervids which are exhibited to Mary Martin at the Department within 7 days of the last day of the exhibition (717-783-5309 or [marymartin@pa.gov](mailto:marymartin@pa.gov)).

**Recommendations:**

All out of state cervids must meet all criteria listed above as “requirements”. PDA has no additional recommendations to prevent the introduction of contagious disease from out of state cervids.

**Section 7: Pennsylvania Dogs**

**Requirements:**

1. Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required for all exhibition dogs 12 weeks of age and older.

**Recommendations:**

1. All rabies-vaccinated dogs should be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate. The certificate must contain legible name, contact information, and signature of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
2. All animals are free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases.

**Section 8: Out of State Dogs**

**Requirements:**

1. Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required for all exhibition dogs 12 weeks of age and older.
2. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) written within 30 days of importation. Exemption: a person may bring one or more dogs into Pennsylvania for show or other demonstration without a CVI for a period not to exceed 30 days provided that each dog is equipped with a collar bearing a name plate giving the name and address of the owner.

**Recommendations:**

1. All rabies vaccinated dogs should be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate. The certificate must contain legible name, contact information and signature of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
2. All animals are free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases.

## **Section 9: Pennsylvania Equine Animals**

### **Requirements:**

The Department of Agriculture has no specific requirements for Pennsylvania equines at fairs. However, fair management has the authority to impose requirements designed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

### **Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. It is recommended that all equine animals be test negative for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) by an official test within the 12 months prior to the opening date of the exhibition. Laboratory test results should accompany each animal to its final destination (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable). The CVI shall specify the date of sample collection and EIA test results. Foals less than six months of age accompanied by a test-negative dam are exempt from EIA testing requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal to its final destination.
4. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older.

## **Section 10: Out of State Equine Animals**

### **Requirements:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) statement: This applies to horses 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 were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. All equine animals must be test negative for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) by an official test within the 12 months prior to the date of importation. Laboratory test results must accompany each animal to its final destination (a copy of the original lab report is acceptable). The CVI shall specify the date of sample collection and EIA test results. Foals under six months of age accompanied by a dam with negative EIA official test results are exempt from EIA testing

requirements. If the foal is not accompanied by the dam, a copy of the dam's test results must accompany the foal to its final destination.


5. If an equine animal has resided in Texas or New Mexico for a cumulative total of 30 days or more within the six months preceding the date of entry into the Commonwealth, that animal must be test-negative for *Babesia caballi* and *Theileria equi* on a competitive enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (c-ELISA) test, or a Department-approved equivalent test, with the test occurring within the 30 days preceding entry into Pennsylvania. The date of test and the test results shall be written on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

#### **Recommendations:**

1. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older.

### **Section 11: Pennsylvania Goats**

#### **Requirements:**

1. Individual official animal identification is required for all goats. Official ID includes:
  - A 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 animal is accompanied by a registration certificate and the tattoo is legible.
  
2. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:
  - a. Market goats must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information:
    - Official identification (as described above)
    - Sale date
    - Sale location
    - Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor
    - Hauler contact information
    - Destination name and contact information
    - Total number of animals in the shipment
    - Type of goat (i.e. meat, dairy, specific breed)
    - Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler
      - Those slips must follow the goat to their final destination (including slaughter facilities)


- b. Goats which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.
- c. A copy of the sale records slips and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept for 5 years.

**Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.

**Section 12: Out of State Goats**

**Requirements:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
  2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) statement: This applies to states that experienced a VS 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 were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
  3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
  4. Individual official animal identification is required for all goats. Official ID includes:
    - a. A USDA ear tag with a US shield ; or
    - b. 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
    - c. A breed registration tattoo if the animal is accompanied by a registration certificate and the tattoo is legible.
- 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 test negative within the 60 days prior to the date of importation. 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 report is acceptable).

- All animals originating from states or zones designated modified accredited must originate from herds in which all animals 12 months of age and older have tested negative within the 12 months prior to the date of importation; and the individual animals (all ages) to be imported have also tested 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).

6. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:

- a. Market goats must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information
  - Official identification (as described above)
  - Sale date
  - Sale location
  - Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor
  - Hauler contact information
  - Destination name and contact information
  - Total number of animals in the shipment
  - Type of goat (i.e. meat, dairy, specific breed)
  - Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler
    - Those slips must follow the goats to their destination (including slaughter facilities)
- b. Goats which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.
- c. A copy of the sale records slips and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept for 5 years.

**Recommendations:**

All out of state goats must meet all criteria listed above as “requirements”. PDA has no additional recommendations to prevent the introduction of contagious disease from out of state goats.

**Section 13: Pennsylvania Poultry, Including Chickens, Turkeys, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites and Pigeons/doves, and Hatching Eggs**

**Requirements:**

1. All Pennsylvania poultry, including chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, and upland game birds entering an exhibition must bear an official PDA-issued butt end style leg band. Ratites must be

identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader). Pigeons and doves must bear a unique individual identification leg band but do not have to be identified with an official PDA leg band.

2. An Owner-endorsed Poultry Health Certificate or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health chart or CVI) must accompany all Pennsylvania poultry, including chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites; and pigeons/doves; and hatching eggs. The certificate must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibition; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - A statement that the entries and the flock of origin are free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases; and
  - Owner signature and date of that signature.
3. **Avian Influenza Testing and Verification:** All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or a Category II Accredited Veterinarian:
  - All poultry, including chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites, (pigeons/doves excluded), and their hatching eggs for exhibition must originate from a flock in which a random, representative sample of a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested for avian influenza within the **30** days prior to opening date of the exhibition. The birds or hatching eggs must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing instead of blood samples, and the swabs may be tested using PCR techniques. Swabs from geese and ducks may not be combined in the same tube for testing. Untested birds shall not be comingled with or added to the tested flock after negative samples have been collected and before the show.
4. **Pullorum-typhoid Testing and Verification** (pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded for exhibition). All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or a Category II Accredited Veterinarian.
  - Poultry, including chickens, turkeys, upland game birds and ratites (waterfowl excluded) and their hatching eggs must originate from a flock in good standing on the NPIP Pullorum-typhoid Clean Program (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) or from a flock in good standing on the PA Pullorum Equivalent Program. The birds or hatching eggs must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent NPIP 9-2 form or state equivalent form must accompany the birds or hatching eggs (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If birds are less than one year of age and originate from an NPIP Clean hatchery, they do not have to be tested for pullorum-typhoid if they are accompanied by an NPIP 9-3 form from that hatchery and any additions to the flock were also from NPIP Clean sources. The NPIP number must be noted on the report for NPIP Pullorum-typhoid Clean flocks;

**OR**

- All individual birds (pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded) for exhibition (maximum of 300) must have had a pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report, or

state equivalent form for the rapid test (copies acceptable). Test results must be negative. The following age restrictions apply:

- Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
- Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
- Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
- Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
- All birds not meeting these age restrictions at the time of sampling are exempt from pullorum-typhoid testing requirements.

#### 5. Testing specifics/Records requirements

- a. Sample collectors and testers must maintain records of animal identification, approved rapid testing, and any other records required by the Domestic Animal Law, and any order issued by the Department for a minimum of two years and must make records available to the Department upon request.
- b. National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) protocols for sample collection, including the number of swabs/tubes of viral transport media, and testing shall be followed. All samples must be tested at a NAHLN laboratory. (excluding the Pullorum-typhoid rapid whole blood plate agglutination test that may be conducted at farm)

### **Section 14: Out of State Poultry, Including Chickens, Turkeys, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, Pigeons/doves and Hatching Eggs**

#### **Requirements:**

1. All poultry, including chickens, turkeys, waterfowl and upland game birds entering an exhibition must bear an official leg band issued by the state or country of origin.
2. Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader). Pigeons and doves must bear a unique individual identification leg band but do not have to be identified with an official state leg band.
3. An Owner-endorsed Poultry Health Certificate or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health chart or CVI) must accompany all poultry, including chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites; and pigeons/doves; and hatching eggs. The certificate must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibition; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - A statement that the entries and the flock of origin are free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases; and
  - Owner signature and date of that signature.
4. **Avian Influenza Testing and Verification:** All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or a Category II Accredited Veterinarian. All poultry, including chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites, (pigeons/doves excluded), and their

hatching eggs must originate from a flock in which a random, representative sample of a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested for avian influenza within the **30** days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds or hatching eggs must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs may be tested using PCR techniques. Swabs from geese and ducks may not be combined in the same tube for testing. Untested birds shall not be comingled with or added to the tested flock after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

5. **Pullorum-typhoid Testing and Verification** (pigeons/doves excluded): All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or a Category II Accredited Veterinarian.

- a. All poultry, including upland chickens, turkeys, upland game birds, waterfowl, and ratites (*pigeons/doves excluded*) and hatching eggs must come from NPIP Pullorum-typhoid Clean flocks in good standing with the program (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) and the birds must be accompanied by an NPIP 9-3 form;

OR

- b. All individual birds (*pigeons/doves excluded*) (maximum of 300) must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 30 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent NPIP 9-2 form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
  - Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
  - Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
  - Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
  - Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
  - Waterfowl shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
  - All birds not meeting these age restrictions at the time of sampling must come from a flock in which all the eligible birds in the flock (up to 300) have been test negative within the 30 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition.

6. **Testing specifics/Records requirements**

- a. Sample collectors and testers must maintain records of animal identification, approved rapid testing, and any other records required by the Domestic Animal Law, and any order issued by the Department for a minimum of two years and must make records available to the Department upon request.
- b. National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) protocols for sample collection, including the number of swabs/tubes of viral transport media, and testing shall be followed. All samples must be tested at a NAHLN laboratory. (excluding the Pullorum-typhoid rapid whole blood plate agglutination test that may be conducted at farm)

**Section 15: Pennsylvania Rabbits**



## Requirements:

The Department of Agriculture has no specific requirements for Pennsylvania rabbits at fairs. However, fair management has the authority to impose requirements designed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

## Recommendations:

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases.

## Section 16: Out of State Rabbits

### Requirements:

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 Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD) has been diagnosed in the prior twelve (12) months or there is a reasonable suspicion it exists unless they meet the following requirements:

(a) All live rabbits must be accompanied by an ICVI 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 ICVI must include statements by an accredited veterinarian certifying that:

- (i) All rabbits in the shipment have been examined for and found free of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases;
- (ii) All rabbits have originated from a single premises that has no signs of infectious, contagious or communicable disease in rabbits;
- (iii) There have been no movements of rabbits onto the premises of origin within the 90 days prior to the date of shipment; and
- (iv) 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.

(b) 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.

Fair management has the authority to impose additional requirements designed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.


### Recommendations:

For Rabbits that originate from a from a Commonwealth, State, Territory, or Country where RHD has NOT been diagnosed in the prior twelve (12) months or there is NO reasonable suspicion it exists:

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within 30 days prior to the date of importation.
2. A statement on the CVI attesting that all rabbits listed on the CVI are free of signs of infectious and contagious disease

## **Section 17: Pennsylvania Sheep**

### **Requirements:**

1. Individual official animal identification is required for all sheep. Official ID includes:
  - A 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.
  
2. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:
  - a. Market sheep must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information:
    - Official identification (as described above)
    - Sale date
    - Sale location
    - Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor
    - Hauler contact information
    - Destination name and contact information
    - Total number of animals in the shipment
    - Type of sheep (i.e. meat, wool, specific breed)
    - Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler
      - Those slips must follow the sheep to their destination (including slaughter facilities)
  
  - b. Sheep which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.
  
  - c. A copy of the sale records slips and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept for 5 years.


### **Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2021.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.

3. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time).

## **Section 18: Out of State Sheep**

### **Requirements:**

1. Federal regulation (USDA) requires a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 days prior to entry into PA.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) Statement: This applies to states that experienced a VS 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 were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Individual official USDA scrapie animal identification is required. Official scrapie ID includes:
  - A 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.
5. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:
  - a. Market sheep must be documented on sales slips which contain the following information:
    - Official identification (as described above)
    - Sale date
    - Sale location
    - Name, address and phone number of the exhibitor
    - Hauler contact information
    - Destination name and contact information
    - Total number of animals in the shipment
    - Type of sheep (i.e. meat, wool, specific breed)
    - Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler
      - Those slips must follow the sheep to their final destination (including slaughter facilities)
  - b. Sheep which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) prior to movement to the destination state.

- c. A copy of the sale records slips and a copy of any ICVIs (in b. above) must be kept for 5 years.

**Recommendations:**

1. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time).

**Section 19: Pennsylvania Swine**

**Requirements:**

1. No swine species shall be exhibited in Pennsylvania unless each animal:
  - Is accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) issued within 14 days of the fair;
  - Is permanently identified by an official 840 series radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tag and the ear tag number is recorded on the CVI;
  - Has been visually inspected and found to be free of signs of contagious disease immediately prior to unloading at the exhibition by an accredited veterinarian or swine health monitor appointed by the fair board or livestock show committee.
2. All breeding swine exhibitions are to occur prior to the arrival of any market swine:
  - a. Breeding swine must be removed from the animal exhibition premises prior to any market swine arriving.
  - b. Breeding swine animal exhibitions shall arrive, exhibit, and depart in a period no greater than 72 hours.
  - c. Swine birthing exhibitions and educational displays which are not competing may occur concurrently with market swine animal exhibition, as long as, reasonable precaution is made to ensure the biosecurity of the swine birthing exhibition or educational display.
3. All Market swine exhibited in Department sponsored Market shows shall move directly to a PDA or USDA licensed slaughter facility following the animal exhibition and may not be diverted to premises other than a recognized slaughter establishment or a slaughter market in which the sales are designated slaughter only sales.
4. Non- PDA sponsored shows including jackpot shows and 4-H round-ups, not occurring during a PDA sponsored fair or show are exempt from the terminal slaughter requirement only if the following conditions are adhered to:
  - a. As is stated above, the swine shall be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 14 days of the exhibition and shall be permanently identified by an 840 series radio frequency (RFID) identification ear tag.
  - b. Arrival, exhibition and departure of the swine occur within a 72-hour window.
  - c. There is no public access to the animals other than observation during competitions.
  - d. An Accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor visually inspects the animals prior to unloading, and they are found to be free of signs of contagious disease.
  - e. An accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor shall monitor and record the health of the pigs daily for signs of contagious disease and the accredited Veterinarian shall immediately report all suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.

- f. A Veterinary-client-patient-relationship is established between the show committee/management staff and an accredited Veterinarian, and that Veterinarian is readily available for health monitoring, emergency coverage, treatment, follow up evaluation, and prompt reporting of suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.

## **Section 20: Out of State Swine**

### **Requirements:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 14 days prior to the date of the show is required. The CVI shall include a statement verifying that the swine have not been fed raw garbage.
2. Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) Statement: This applies to states that experienced a VS 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 were not located within 10 miles of a site where VS has been diagnosed."
3. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI.
4. Has been visually inspected and found to be free of signs of contagious disease immediately prior to unloading at the exhibition by an accredited veterinarian or swine health monitor appointed by the fair board or livestock show committee.
5. Individual animal ID – must be permanently identified by an official 840 series radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tag and the ear tag number is recorded on the CVI.
6. Brucellosis Testing Requirements:
  - a. No test required if the animal originates from a validated brucellosis-free state or brucellosis-free herd. All others must be tested negative within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
7. Pseudorabies Testing Requirements:
  - a. Sexually intact swine over 6 months of age shall originate from a qualified PRV negative herd or be test negative to an official pseudorabies test within 30 days prior to importation.
  - b. No pseudorabies testing required for all other swine
8. All breeding swine exhibitions are to occur prior to the arrival of any market swine:
  - a. Breeding swine must be removed from the animal exhibition premises prior to any market swine arriving.
  - b. Breeding swine animal exhibitions shall arrive, exhibit, and depart in a period no greater than 72 hours.
  - c. Swine birthing exhibitions and educational displays which are not competing may occur concurrently with market swine animal exhibition, as long as, reasonable precaution is made to ensure the biosecurity of the swine birthing exhibition or educational display.

9. All Market swine exhibited in Department sponsored Market shows shall move directly to a PDA or USDA licensed slaughter facility following the animal exhibition and may not be diverted to premises other than a recognized slaughter establishment or a slaughter market in which the sales are designated slaughter only sales.
10. Non- PDA sponsored shows including jackpot shows and 4-H round-ups not occurring during a PDA sponsored fair or show are exempt from the terminal slaughter requirement only if the following conditions are adhered to:
  - a. As is stated above, the swine shall be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 14 days of the exhibition and shall be permanently identified by an 840 series radio frequency (RFID) identification ear tag.
  - b. Arrival, exhibition and departure of the swine occur within a 72-hour window.
  - c. There is no public access to the animals other than observation during competitions.
  - d. An Accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor visually inspects the animals prior to unloading, and they are found to be free of signs of contagious disease.
  - e. An accredited Veterinarian or trained swine health monitor shall monitor and record the health of the pigs daily for signs of contagious disease and the accredited Veterinarian shall immediately report all suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.
  - f. A Veterinary-client-patient-relationship is established between the show committee/management staff and an accredited Veterinarian, and that Veterinarian is readily available for health monitoring, emergency coverage, treatment, follow up evaluation, and prompt reporting of suspicious disease to the State Animal Health Official.

ANNEX

**Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Regulations References**

- A. **Animals for exhibition** in Pennsylvania must meet specific requirements under each species, as well as the General Provisions in the Department's regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:
1. Importation of domestic animals - Section 3.3 of the regulations (7 Pa.Code § 3.3).
  2. Health Certificate requirements of imported animals- Section 3.4 of the regulations (7 Pa.Code § 3.4).
  3. Health Certificate requirements for Pennsylvania animals - Section 3.7 of the regulations (7 Pa.Code § 3.7).
- B. **Camelids** for exhibition in Pennsylvania must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:
1. Section 3a.3 establishes specific provisions for interstate transport of camelids.
  2. Camelids must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine order:  
-49 PaB. 709, February 16, 2019, Tuberculosis Testing Requirements for Importation of Cattle, Bison, Goats or Camelids
  3. Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Vesicular Stomatitis 36 Pa.B. 7974, December 30, 2006.
- C. **Cattle** for exhibition in Pennsylvania must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:
1. Section 3.151 establishes specific provisions for intrastate transport of cattle, goats, and buffalo.
  2. Sections 3.21- 3.28 establish specific provisions for interstate transport of cattle, goats, and buffalo.
  3. Cattle must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine order-49 PaB. 709, February 16, 2019, Tuberculosis Testing Requirements for Importation of Cattle, Bison, Goats or Camelids.
  4. Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Vesicular Stomatitis-36 Pa.B. 7974, December 30, 2006.
- D. **Cervids** for exhibition in Pennsylvania must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:
1. Section 3a.4 establishes specific provisions for intrastate transport, including identification and health requirements (exhibition and comingling) of cervids.
  2. Section 3a.3 establishes specific provisions for interstate transport of cervids.
  3. **Imported cervids** for exhibition in Pennsylvania must also meet the regulations set forth in the Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Chronic wasting Disease Importation Requirements for Farmed or Captive Chronic Wasting Disease-Susceptible Cervids. 44 Pa.B. 2267
  4. Only cervids originating from a CWD Certified Herd in a State with an approved Certified Herd Program may be shipped interstate.
  5. Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Vesicular Stomatitis-36 Pa. B. 7974, December 30, 2006.

E. **Dogs** for exhibition in Pennsylvania must meet the following regulations:

1. Rabies Prevention and Control in Domestic Animals and Wildlife Act – 3 P.S. §455.8 (related to vaccination required; certificate and tag) and the attending regulations (7 PA.Code §§ 16.41-16.46).
2. 7 PA Code, sections 3.91 (related to interstate health certificate required) and 3.92 (related to show dog exempt for 30 days).

F. **Equines** for exhibition in Pennsylvania must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:

1. Sections 3.215 and 3.221 establish specific provisions for intrastate transport of equine animals.
2. Sections 3.101, 3.103, and 3.105 establish specific provisions for interstate transport of equine animals.
3. Equines for importation must also meet the requirements set forth in: Interstate Quarantine Order; Equine Piroplasmiasis. 40 Pa.B. 3966.
4. Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Vesicular Stomatitis-36 Pa.B. 7974, December 30, 2006.

G. **Goats** for exhibition must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:

1. Section 3.151 establishes specific provisions for intrastate transport of cattle, goats, and buffalo.
2. Sections 3.21 – 3.28 establish specific provisions for interstate transport of cattle, goats, and buffalo.
3. Goats must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine order General Quarantine Order; Scrapie - 50 Pa. B. 4751, September 19, 2020 and Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Scrapie 50 Pa. B. 4754, September 19, 2020.
4. Goats must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine order-49 Pa. B. 709, February 16, 2019, Tuberculosis Testing Requirements for Importation of Cattle, Bison, Goats or Camelids.

Goats for exhibition must meet the requirements of the code of federal regulations 9 CFR 79.2

H. **Poultry, Birds, Water and Game Fowl and their Hatching Eggs** for exhibition must meet the regulations set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:

1. Sections 3.191 - 3.198 establish specific provisions for intrastate transport of Poultry, Birds, Water and Game Fowl and Their Hatching Eggs.
2. Sections 3.111 - 3.119 establish specific provisions for interstate transport for Poultry, Birds, Water and Game Fowl and Their Hatching Eggs.
3. General Quarantine Order; Poultry Exhibition Requirements 49 Pa. B. 3093 June 15, 2019.
4. The Interstate and General Quarantine Order - 45 Pa.B. 4930, August 22, 2015 - Cleaning and Disinfection of Conveyances and Containers.

I. **Rabbits** for exhibition must meet the regulations as set forth in:



1. Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease 50 Pa. B. 5272 September 26, 2020.

**J. Sheep** for exhibition must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:

- Sections 3.161 - 3.163 establish specific provisions for intrastate transport of sheep
- Sections 3.121 - 3.124 establish specific provisions for interstate transport of sheep
- Sheep Goats must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine order General Quarantine Order; Scrapie - 50 Pa. B. 4751, September 19, 2020 and Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Scrapie 50 Pa. B. 4754, September 19, 2020.

Sheep for exhibition must meet the requirements of the code of federal regulations 9 CFR 79.2

**K. Swine** for exhibition must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:

- Sections 3.172 - 3.180 establish specific provisions for intrastate transport of swine.
- Swine must also meet the requirements as set forth in the Interstate/International and General Quarantine Order; Importation and Intrastate Movement of Swine 39 Pa. B. 5442, September 19, 2009.
- Swine must also meet the requirements as set forth in the General Quarantine Order; Swine Exhibition Requirements 50 Pa. B 548 January 25, 2020.
- Swine must also meet the requirements as set forth in the Interstate and International Quarantine Order; Swine Exhibition Requirements 50 Pa. B. 550 January 25, 2020.