

ANIMAL HEALTH REGULATIONS (continued from page 5)

SHEEP

To qualify, all animals must be free of any evidence of transmissible disease, including external parasites, sore mouth, and foot rot, and be clearly identified on an official health certificate of the state of origin. The health certificate must be prepared by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days (Pennsylvania flocks, 90 days) of the opening date of the Show. A copy of the health certificate must accompany the sheep to the Show and be available for inspection at all times during the Show as additional inspections of sheep health certificates will be made.

Identification-Purebred animals must be identified by registry name and number, corresponding to the ear tag or tattoo number. Grade animals must be identified by farm-flock number, corresponding to the ear tag or tattoo number.

Flock Inspection - Flocks must be examined within 30 days (Pennsylvania flocks, 90 days) of the opening date of show. The veterinarian who has examined the entries and the flocks from which they come must certify on the health certificate that he has found no evidence of transmissible disease and, to the best of his knowledge, no exposure thereto, and are not subject to any quarantine restrictions.

IMPORTANT RULE- Certification by the owner and an accredited veterinarian that the identified animal(s) is (are not) known to have been exposed to scrapie. Dipping-Not required of Sheep entries from officially recognized Scabies free areas; all other Sheep must be dipped in an officially permitted solution within 10 days of the opening date of the show.

Shipping Fever Complex-It is recommended that all sheep, except those consigned to immediate slaughter, be properly immunized before shipment to the show. All sheep except wethers must bear an official U.S.D.A./A.P.H.I.S. ear tag to be exhibited at the show. Sheep from flocks on the voluntary scrape program must bear the official ear tag, tattoo, or electronic ear implant.

New Rule-Rabies Vaccine Required with veterinary certificates for all breeding cattle except for 4H Market Animals.

SWINE

To qualify, all animals must be free of any evidence of infectious, contagious, or parasitic diseases, and be clearly identified on an official health certificate of the state of origin prepared by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days of the opening date of the Show. A copy of the health certificate must accompany the swine to the Show and be available for inspection at all times as additional inspections of swine health certificates will be made. The following information is required on all health certificates:

PENNSYLVANIA SWINE No Pseudorabies test required / No Brucellosis test required.

OUT-OF-STATE SWINE Brucellosis Requirement-All breeding swine over six (6) month of age must be negative to a brucellosis test within 30 days of opening date of show or originate from a validated brucellosis free swine herd.

Pseudorabies - All breeding swine must be negative to a USDA approved pseudorabies test conducted within 30 days of arrival at the Show OR be a member of a Qualified Pseudorabies Negative Herd. The date of the Pseudorabies Negative Herd number and the date of the last quarterly or monthly herd test must be on the health certificate. HEALTH CERTIFICATE MUST SHOW THIS STATEMENT: HERD OF ORIGIN HAS SHOWN NO EVIDENCE OF PSEUDORABIES WITHIN THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS.

GOATS

ALL GOATS MUST HAVE AN OFFICIAL EARTAG OR LEGIBLE BREED REGISTRATION TATTOO

All goats except wethers must bear an official U.S.D.A./A.P.H.I.S. ear tag to be exhibited at the show. The only exceptions are those goats that have a registration tattoo and have been coded with a premise I.D. number.

No goat showing clinical signs of contagious or infectious disease including caseous lymphadenitis, sore mouth, active erring worm, foot rot, warts, lice and mange will be admitted to the show.

Health Certificate - An accredited veterinarian shall sign the statement of health on the AA1-11 test report that he examined the animal(s) within thirty (30) days of issuance of the health certificate.

Tuberculosis Test- Not required

Brucellosis Test- Not required

All animals must be individually identified on the health certificate.

New Rules

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within 30 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition is required.
2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI (the statement provided on the CVO Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds).
3. An animal Owner or Caretakers Verification of Veterinarian Client relationship (VCPR) form must accompany each animal, and must be presented upon arrival at the exhibition.
4. Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID includes:
5. A.) Scrapie eartag. Contact USDA to obtain scrapie eartags at 1-866-8763-2824, weekdays from 9-5pm. Your order may take several weeks for processing, so order tags early: or
B.) An ISO- compliant tag
C.) A scrapie tattoo. Goats with an official scrapie tattoo must also have a unique individual animal ID (tattoo) to meet the scrapie requirement or
D.) Goats having a breed registration tattoo and accompanied registration certificate are exempt from the scrapie ID requirement if the Tattoo is legible and the registration certificate (copy acceptable) or a certificate of Veterinary Inspection which lists the tattoo and registry accompanies the animal at all times during transport from the premises of birth.

RABBITS

Rabbits will be screened on arrival for health & show condition. No rabbits showing signs of contagious or infectious disease will be admitted.

Rabbits must have an ear tattoo.

New Rules for 2010

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2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.

Out of State Rabbits

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2. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.