

# **WOOD COUNTY HEALTH REGULATIONS AND INSPECTION AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF LIVESTOCK EXHIBITED IN OHIO.**

O.D.A. Administrative Code Rule 901-1-18

THE WOOD COUNTY FAIR WILL OPERATE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF OHIO'S LIVESTOCK SHOW REFORM ACT AND UNDER ALL APPLICABLE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND TAMPERING RULES AND REGULATIONS.

THIS LAW AND THE AMENDED RULES MAY BE VIEWED AT THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE LOCATED IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON THE FAIRGROUNDS, THE 4-H EXTENSION OFFICE AND FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS.

Rule #33

Any changes by O.D.A. to the current rules here will be posted on the fair's website [www.woodcounty-fair.com](http://www.woodcounty-fair.com) and will be available at the fair office as they become available.

## **TAMPERING AND/OR MISREPRESENTATION**

Tampering and/or Misrepresentation as to breeding, age, ownership, custody and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception.

To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity in the livestock shows, the agricultural society reserves the right to disqualify any animal fitted in an unethical manner and disqualify the exhibitor and the exhibitor's assistants who fitted the animal involved.

Unethical fitting shall include any cutting or tearing of the hides, cutting or tearing underneath the hide or removal of tissue in any attempt to alter the shape or appearance. It shall also include attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development, dying or coloring hair, adding artificial tail heads, switches, polls, hair and heels, as well as any attempt to change the conformation and degree of firmness, by administration of fluids or air internally or externally in a liquid, solid or gaseous state. Transparent grooming materials only may be used. Additionally, the use of spanking, or beating with hand or object or icing to enhance firmness will be considered deception.

## **THE USE OF CLENBUTEROL AND OTHER UNAPPROVED DRUGS IS PROHIBITED**

All exhibitors, their immediate family and any other parties involved in the unethical fitting and showing of any animal will be barred from exhibiting or showing at this fair and will forfeit all premiums, prize money and awards won in any junior fair and/or open class divisions.

SHOULD FRAUD OR DECEPTION, AND PROOF, AS DETERMINED BY THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, BE DISCOVERED AFTER THE ANIMAL OR ANIMALS HAVE BEEN SHOWN AND PRIOR TO THE SALE, such animal(s) shall not be permitted to sell. The animals placing next in line at the show shall move up.

SHOULD VIOLATION BE DISCOVERED AFTER THE SALE, all sale money shall be returned to the buyer and the animal, carcass or carcass value shall be returned to the exhibitor. All placings in the show will stand. NO animals will move up. Any carcass suspected of being tampered with or suspected of containing drugs will be detained until the investigation is complete.

IF THE CARCASS IS CONDEMNED at the packing plant for any reason, it shall be grounds for

disqualification in the on-foot and carcass division of the show. Additionally, all premiums and sale money shall be forfeited, and the loss of the animal be incurred by the exhibitor.

## **RULE VIOLATIONS**

In the question of a rule violation, the following due process will be used: The exhibitor and/or parties involved will be questioned by Fair officials. If it is felt a violation has occurred, Fair officials will make recommendations to the rules committee of the agricultural society. After the committee hears the allegations and/or evidence, they will decide if the case should be brought before the full Board of Directors.

In the decision of allegations being brought before the Board, all parties involved will be notified of a meeting date with all parties having the right to present their views and/or evidence.

Upon hearing the case, the Fair Board will make a ruling.

When satisfactory evidence has been obtained by the Fair Board that any of the livestock rules have been violated, the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's family may be barred from showing in any future agricultural fairs. The minimum number of years for a disbarment is three (3) years before the right to a review. In case any premium shall have been awarded to animals shown in violation of this rule, the Fair Board will require the exhibitor to refund ALL premiums, trophies, awards, ribbons and sale money under each violation. Unless fraud and/or deception are involved, all championship placings stand.

## **TESTING LIVESTOCK FOR DRUGS**

All project animals will be subject to pre-fair and fair inspection or testing at any time by designated fair officials or their representatives. Refusal to allow such inspection will disqualify the animal from exhibition and its privileges at any county or state fair.

## **PROTESTS AND APPEALS**

Protests must be made in writing within 24 hours after discovering alleged violation, signed by the parties making protests, and filed with the Wood County Agricultural Society Fair Office, accompanied by a protest fee of \$100 cash which will be retained by the Society if the protest is not sustained. The Rules Committee will hear the protest and announce its decision immediately to the Executive Committee who in turn will make a board presentation if necessary. The final decision shall be released within 30 days of the infraction.

Junior and Senior Fair Board Rules Committee and Dept. Heads under protest, maintains the right to use any reasonable means to investigate any allegations, formal or informal, part of or pertaining to Junior, Senior Fair matters. If protest is found valid, the deposit will not be refunded.

## **EXHIBITOR AND SPECTATOR CONDUCT**

Each division official will expect courteous and orderly conduct by exhibitors and spectators. Harassment, profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct toward fair officials, judges, show manager, help or exhibitors shall not be tolerated. Any violations of this rule would warrant withholding of premiums won and exemption of showing at the Wood County Fair. Violators may be removed from the

fairgrounds.

## **FAIR VETERINARIAN**

The Wood County Fair shall contract the services with a qualified veterinarian during the week of the fair. However, if an exhibitor desires to contact a different vet, he/she may do so at their own expense. The fair vet reserves the right to charge an exhibitor for any medical or surgical supplies dispensed.

Health certificates (papers) will not be required of livestock for exhibition (except for cows over 2 years of age and any livestock transported across state lines.)

The Wood County Fair vet, having inspected livestock after arrival, will be given permission to dismiss any livestock with signs of sickness or disease.

The pseudorabies test will be required of all hogs. Test results will be checked at fair weigh-in.

## **PENALTIES OF DISQUALIFICATIONS**

ALL EXHIBITORS, PARENTS, AND PUBLIC MUST ABIDE BY THE RULES OF THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR FAIR OR WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE GROUNDS, FORFEIT ANY PREMIUMS AND AWARDS, AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER SANCTIONS APPROPRIATE TO THE OFFENDING ACTIONS.

NO EXHIBITOR, THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILY, OR ANY OTHER PARTY INVOLVED IN UNETHICAL PRACTICES SHALL BE PERMITTED TO EXHIBIT AT THE WOOD COUNTY FAIR, HAVING BEEN BANNED FOR DISCIPLINARY OR ETHICAL REASONS FROM OTHER COUNTY, INDEPENDENT, OR STATE FAIRS FOR A PERIOD COMMENSURATE WITH THE BAN.

## **INSPECTION AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF LIVESTOCK EXHIBITED IN OHIO**

### **901:1-18-01. CHAPTER'S APPLICATION.**

(A) Animals listed in this chapter when moved or imported into Ohio for exhibition purposes only shall comply with the requirements of this chapter and when in compliance with the provisions of this chapter shall, with the exception of rules governing movement and importation of quarantined animals, be exempt from any other rules governing movement within or importation into Ohio.

(B) Animals moved within or imported into Ohio for any purpose in addition to exhibition shall meet all movement and import requirements of Chapter 901:1-17 of the Administrative Code.

### **901:1-18-02. DEFINITIONS.**

As used in this chapter.

(A) "Exhibition" means any public show of animals which is sponsored by or under the control of an Ohio county or independent agricultural society organized under Chapter 1711. of the Revised Code; or the Ohio State Fair; **or which is assembled for a period which exceeds thirty-six hours or contains animals of origins other than Ohio.**

(B) "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection" means a form from the state of origin which has been issued and completed by a licensed accredited veterinarian attesting to the health status and identification of an animal listed thereon.

(C) "Approved veterinarian" means any licensed **and accredited** veterinarian approved by the Ohio Department of Agriculture, or an employee of the Ohio Department of Agriculture or the United States

Department of Agriculture, animal plant health inspection service, veterinary services.

(D) "Licensed and accredited veterinarian" means a person who is licensed by the State of Ohio to practice veterinary medicine and who is certified by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal plant health inspection services, veterinary services, to be an accredited veterinarian.

(E) "Residue" means any poisonous or deleterious pesticide governed by 40 C.F.R. 180, any poisonous or deleterious substance governed by 21 C.F.R. 109.6, or any other substance governed by 21 C.F.R. 556.

(F) "Contagious or infectious disease" means any disease, including any foreign animal disease, or vector, capable of transmission by any means from a carrier animal to a human or to another animal and includes dangerously contagious or infectious diseases.

(G) "Tuberculosis accredited free herd" is one that has passed at least two consecutive annual negative official tests for tuberculosis in accordance with the "Uniform Methods and Rules - Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication" and has no other evidence of bovine tuberculosis.

#### **901:1-18-03. EXHIBITIONS: SANITATION, INSPECTION AND RECORDS.**

(A) Each entity sponsoring an exhibition shall have in attendance an approved veterinarian for the duration of the exhibit.

(B) Each entity sponsoring an exhibition shall:

(1) Immediately, prior to an exhibition and under the direction of the approved veterinarian, thoroughly clean and disinfect each building, pen, stall, ring or other enclosure in which animals are to be quartered for exhibition;

(2) Have the approved veterinarian:

(a) Examine the certificate of veterinary inspection when required for an animal brought to the exhibition;

(b) Inspect within a reasonable time of arrival each animal brought to the exhibit for symptoms of any infectious or contagious diseases;

(c) Daily inspect each animal present at the exhibition for symptoms of infectious or contagious disease.

(3) Maintain a record for one year from the date of the exhibition of each animal present at the exhibit. The record shall contain the name and address of the owner of each animal and the species and breed of the animal.

(4) May order the immediate removal of any animal which in the opinion of the approved veterinarian places other animals at unacceptable risk of disease

(C) An exemption from the requirements of paragraph (B)(1) of this rule may be requested from the department and will be granted when, in the judgment of the department, cleaning and disinfection will serve no purpose. By way of example only, cleaning and disinfection will generally serve no purpose in a newly constructed building that has never been occupied.

#### **901:18-04. EXHIBITORS.**

(A) No person shall present for exhibition or exhibit an animal which he knows or has reason to suspect is affected with or has been exposed to a dangerously contagious or infectious disease or

residue.

(B) The owner or bailee of an animal with symptoms of an infectious or contagious disease shall, when directed by an exhibition official, the approved veterinarian, or an employee of the Ohio Department of Agriculture, immediately remove the animal from the exhibition premises.

(C) Upon request, each person who presents for exhibition or exhibits an animal, shall make available any certificate of veterinary inspection, registration certificates, vaccination certificate, and other documents to exhibition officials, the approved veterinarian or an employee of the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

(D) Each person who presents for exhibition or exhibits an animal for which a certificate of veterinary inspection is required by rules 901:1-18-01 to 901:1-18-11 of the Administrative Code shall forward a copy of the certificate of veterinary inspection to the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Division of Animal Industry.

(pg 14-15) **959.05 DRUGGING ANIMAL PRIOR TO COMPETITION RESTRICTED.**

No person shall administer to any animal within forty eight hours prior to the time that the animal competes at a fair or exhibition conducted by a county or independent agricultural society authorized under Chapter 171L of the Revised Code or by the Ohio expositions commission any drug or medicament not specifically permitted under rules of the state racing commission promulgated pursuant to Chapter 3769 of the Revised Code or under rules of the society, in respect to a county or independent agricultural society, or of the Ohio expositions commission, in respect to the Ohio state fair. This section does not apply to any horse racing meeting conducted under a permit issued pursuant to Chapter 3769 of the Revised Code.

## **POULTRY AND FOWL**

**WC 8-1** Each poultry exhibitor must comply with one of the following (does not include waterfowl)

A. Poultry exhibited were obtained from a flock or hatchery of origin which is participant in the National Poultry Improvement Plans for the eradication of Disease, (all commercial Ohio hatcheries meet this requirement) or

B. Poultry are from a flock which has had a negative test for Pullorum disease within 12 months or

C. Poultry have had a negative test for Pullorum disease within 90 days, or

D. Exhibited poultry tested negative for Pullorum disease at the fairgrounds by a State approved tester.

**WC 8-2** Any specimen showing symptoms of disease will be refused or taken from exhibit and held isolated, if possible.

### **901:1-18-05. POULTRY AND FOWL.**

(A) All turkeys, chickens and game-birds moved within or imported into Ohio for exhibition must:

(1) Originate directly from a flock or hatchery which is a participant in the national poultry improvement plan for the eradication of disease and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement of this paragraph; or

- (2) Originate directly from a flock which has had a negative test for Pullorum/Fowl Typhoid Disease within twelve months preceding the opening date of exhibition and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement of this paragraph; or
  - (3) Have had a negative test for Pullorum/Fowl Typhoid Disease, within ninety days, preceding the opening date of the exhibition and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement of this paragraph; or
  - (4) Be tested for Pullorum/Fowl Typhoid Disease upon arrival at the exhibition by a tester approved by the Ohio Department of Agriculture and found negative
- (B) The rapid whole blood test shall not be used to test turkeys for compliance with the requirements of paragraphs (A)(2), (A) (3) and (A)(4) of this rule.
- (C) Waterfowl, doves and pigeons are exempt from this rule.

## **CATTLE**

### **901:1-18-06. CATTLE.**

- (A) Cattle moved within Ohio for exhibition:
- (1) The animals presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease.
- (B) All cattle imported into Ohio for exhibition must:
- (1) Be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty days preceding the opening date of the exhibition; and
  - (2) Originate from a tuberculosis-accredited free herd, an accredited free state or zone, or a modified accredited advance state or zone;
  - (3) If originate from a modified accredited state of zone must comply with Rule 901:1-17-03 of the Administrative Code;
  - (4) If originate from an accreditation preparatory or a non-accredited state or zone are prohibited from exhibition;
  - (5) If from a Brucellosis Class A state or area must be negative to an official Brucellosis test within thirty days of the opening date of the exhibition unless: they are under six months of age, steers, or official vaccinates under twenty months of age (dairy) or twenty-four months of age (beef); and
  - (6) If from a brucellosis Class B or C state or area/zone must meet all requirements for pre-entry testing as specified in 9 C.F.R. 78.9 and obtain an Ohio permit prior to movement.
- (C) Cattle from a brucellosis certified free herd or class free state area/zone are not required to be Brucellosis tested.

## **GOATS**

### **NO PERSON MAY REMOVE OR TAMPER WITH OFFICIAL SHEEP AND GOAT IDENTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 9 CFR PART 79.2**

In order for Ohio to maintain Consistent State Status, Ohio sheep and goat exhibitions will be considered Interstate Commerce.

### **901:1-18-07 Goats**

(A) Goats moved within Ohio for exhibition:

(1) The animal presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease.

(2) All sexually intact animals and any wether eighteen months of age and older must be identified with an official individual identification as defined in rule 901:1-13-04 of the Administrative Code.

(B) Goats imported into Ohio for exhibition:

(1) Must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within 30 days preceding the opening date of the exhibition and be identified with official identification; and

(2) The animal presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease; and

(3) The owner and the veterinarian must attest to the following statement written on the certificate of veterinary inspection "the goats in this shipment are not known to be under any movement restrictions because of scrapie."

(4) Originate from a tuberculosis accredited free herd as defined in paragraph (G) of rule 901-18-02 of the Administrative Code for bovine tuberculosis eradication; or-

(5) Originate from a bovine accredited free state or zone, or a bovine modified accredited advanced state or zone; or

(6) Originate from a bovine modified accredited state or zone must comply with Rule 901:1-17-06 of the Administrative Code.

(C) If originate from a bovine accreditation preparatory or a bovine non-accredited state or zone are prohibited from exhibition.

Rule Amplifies: ORC 941.06 and ORC 941.10

## **HORSES, MULES AND PONIES**

### **901:1-18-08. HORSES, MULES AND PONIES.**

(A) Horses, mules and ponies moved within Ohio for exhibition:

(1) If not under quarantine and if they are free of any signs of a contagious or infectious disease, and

(2) If the animal is twelve months of age or older, the exhibition manager may require that the animal has been tested and classed negative to an official test for equine infectious anemia within twelve months of the opening date of the exhibition.

(B) Horses, mules and ponies imported into Ohio for exhibition:

(1) Shall be accompanied by an official certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty days of the opening date of the exhibition or **obtain a permit for extended time granted by the chief of the division of animal industry as authorized in paragraph (C) of rule 901:1-17-01 of the Administrative Code; and**

(2) If the animal is twelve months of age or older, it shall be accompanied by evidence the animal was negative to an official test for equine infectious anemia within twelve months of the opening date of the exhibition; and

(3) Upon request by an authorized representative of the Ohio Department of Agriculture, the person responsible for each animal must make available a chronological list of dates, places and events attended by this animal within thirty days prior to entry into Ohio.

## **SHEEP**

### **SHEEP CONTAGIOUS ECTHYMA (SORE MOUTH) VACCINATION RECOMMENDATION**

To protect your sheep flock from contagious ecthyma (sore mouth), the Division of Animal Industry recommends that all sheep be vaccinated for contagious ecthyma (sore mouth) six weeks prior to entering the exhibition circuit. The vaccination should be done by and in accordance with the recommendations of your veterinarian.

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#### **901:1-18-09 Sheep**

(A) Sheep moved within Ohio for exhibition:

- (1) The animal presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease.
- (2) All sexually intact animals and any wether eighteen months of age and older must be identified with an official identification as defined in rule 901:1-13-04 of the Administrative Code.

(B) Sheep imported into Ohio for exhibition:

- (1) Must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty days preceding the exhibition opening date and be identified with official individual identification, and;
- (2) The animal presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease; and
- (3) The owner and the veterinarian must attest to the following statement written on the certificate of veterinary inspection "the sheep in this shipment are not known to be under any movement restrictions because of scrapie."

Rule Amplifies: ORC 941.10

## **SWINE**

### **901:1-18-10 Swine**

(A) Swine moved within Ohio for exhibition:

- (1) The animals presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease.
- (2) Will be exempt from the requirement of a certificate of veterinary inspection if they originate immediately and directly from a pseudorabies stage V area.
- (3) Swine originating from a pseudorabies stage IV area shall:
  - (a) Be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty days preceding



the opening date of the exhibition; and

(b) Originate from a pseudorabies qualified herd; or

(c) Be negative to an official pseudorabies test within thirty days of the exhibition.

(B) Swine imported into Ohio for exhibition:

(1) Must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty days preceding the opening date of the exhibition; and

(a) Originate immediately and directly from a pseudorabies stage V area or from an area or country recognized by the United States department of agriculture, animal plant health inspection service, veterinary services as pseudorabies free; or

(b) Originate immediately and directly from a pseudorabies stage IV area; and

(c) Be negative to an official pseudorabies test within thirty days of the exhibition.

Rule Amplifies: ORC 941.10