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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.

It remains our goal to continue poultry exhibitions in 2019. 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 2019 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, 2019.
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 Eartagging 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 CVI (AAI-13 REV. 7/18) accredited veterinarians simply need to:
    - Check other in box number 5;
    - Write the animal’s color in box number 14;
    - Record age in box number 17;
    - Record gender in box number 16; 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. 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 approved by the Department or by some other device or means of identification 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 Eartagging 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, 2019.
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 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.

### **Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued after May 1, 2019.
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. 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. 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, 2019.
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. All equine animals must 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 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 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 (only for herds enrolled in the USDA Voluntary Scrapie Herd Certification Program); or
  - A breed registration tattoo if the animal is accompanied by a registration certificate and the tattoo is legible.

### **Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2019.
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. 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) 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 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 (only for herds enrolled in the USDA Voluntary Scrapie Herd Certification Program); or
  - A breed registration tattoo if the animal is accompanied by a registration certificate and the tattoo is legible.
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 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).

**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 Other Avian Species 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 crimp style or 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, doves and avian species other than poultry 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 Avian 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 other avian species; 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
  - Description of the birds/hatching eggs; 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 and avian species other than poultry are 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:** 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 (PA waterfowl are excluded and pigeons, doves and avian species other than poultry are 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) and the birds must be accompanied by an NPIP 9-3 form with that flock's NPIP number; 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). 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. **OR**

- All individual birds (PA waterfowl are excluded and pigeons, doves and avian species other than poultry are 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.

**Section 14: Out of State Poultry, Including Chickens, Turkeys, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites; and Pigeons, Doves and Other Avian Species 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, doves and avian species other than poultry 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 Avian 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 other avian species; and hatching eggs. The certificate must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibition; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - Description of the birds/hatching eggs; 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 and avian species other than poultry are 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:** All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or a Category II Accredited Veterinarian.

- All poultry, including upland chickens, turkeys, upland game birds, waterfowl, and ratites (pigeons, doves and avian species other than poultry are 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 with that flock's NPIP number;  
**OR**
- All individual birds for exhibition, including upland chickens, turkeys, upland game birds, waterfowl, and ratites (pigeons, doves and avian species other than poultry are 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). If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent state form for the rapid test (copies acceptable) 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.

## **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, 2019.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases.

## **Section 16: Out of State Rabbits**

### **Requirements:**


The Department of Agriculture has no specific requirements for out of state 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 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. a scrapie tattoo (only for flocks enrolled in the USDA Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program); or
  - A breed registration tattoo if the animals are accompanied by a registration certificate (copy acceptable) and the tattoo is legible.

### **Recommendations:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after May 1, 2019.
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. a scrapie tattoo (only for flocks enrolled in the USDA Voluntary Scrapie Flock Certification Program); or
  - A breed registration tattoo if the animals are accompanied by a registration certificate (copy acceptable) and the tattoo is legible.

### **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:**

Beginning June 1, 2019, no swine species shall be exhibited in Pennsylvania unless each animal:


1. Is accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) issued within 30 days of the fair;
2. Is permanently identified by an official ear tag and the number is recorded on the CVI;  
Forms of official ear tag identification include:
  - USDA-issued metal ear tag with a US shield
  - ISO-compliant 15-digit ear tag starting with "840"
  - plastic show-issued stamped ear tag (Pennsylvania origin market hogs only)
3. Has been visually inspected for signs of disease immediately prior to unloading at the exhibition by an accredited veterinarian.

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

### **Requirements:**

1. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within the 30 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 for signs of disease prior to unloading at the exhibition by an accredited veterinarian.
5. Individual animal ID – must be permanently identified by an official ear tag and the ear tag number recorded on the CVI.

Forms of official ID include:

- A USDA-issued metal ear tag with a US shield  ; or
  - An ISO-compliant 15-digit ear tag starting with "840"
6. Brucellosis Testing Requirements:
    - No brucellosis test is required if the animal originates from a validated brucellosis-free state or brucellosis-free herd or has been brucellosis tested within the 30 days prior to the date of importation.
  7. Pseudorabies Testing Requirements:

- Sexually intact swine over 6 months of age shall originate qualified PRV negative herd or be test negative on an official pseudorabies test 30 days prior to importation.
- No pseudorabies testing required for all other swine

## 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-39 PaB.
  3. 1538, March 28, 2009-Tuberculosis Testing Requirements for Importation of Cattle, Bison, Goats or Camelids.
- 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-39 PaB. 1538, March 28, 2009-Tuberculosis Testing Requirements for Importation of Cattle, Bison, Goats or Camelids.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 - 36 Pa.B. 4734, August 26, 2006 and the Quarantine Order-39 Pa.B. 1538, March 28, 2009-Tuberculosis Testing Requirements for Importation of Cattle, Bison, Goats or Camelids.
- H. **Poultry**, Birds, Waterfowl and Gamebirds 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.
- I. **Poultry**, Birds, Waterfowl and Gamebirds and their Hatching Eggs for exhibition must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine orders referenced below:
1. Interstate and General Quarantine Order; Cleaning and Disinfection of Conveyances and Containers [45 Pa.B. 4930] published August 22, 2015.
  2. General Quarantine Order; Poultry Exhibition Requirements [49 Pa.B. 3093] published June 15, 2019.
  3. Interstate/International Quarantine Order; Avian Influenza [43 Pa.B.18] published January 5, 2013.
- J. **Sheep** for exhibition must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:
1. Sections 3.161 - 3.163 establish specific provisions for intrastate transport of sheep
  2. Sections 3.121 - 3.124 establish specific provisions for interstate transport of sheep
  3. Sheep must also meet the regulations as set forth in the quarantine order General Quarantine Order - 36 Pa.B. 4734, August 26, 2006.
- K. **Swine** for exhibition must meet the regulations as set forth in the 7 PA Code as below:
1. Sections 3.172 - 3.180 establish specific provisions for intrastate transport of swine.

2. Swine must also meet the requirements as set forth in the Interstate/International and General Quarantine Order; Importation and Intrastate Movement of Swine 39 PaB., 5442, September 19, 2009.
3. Swine must also meet the requirements as set forth in the General Quarantine Order — Swine Exhibition Requirements and Interstate and International Quarantine Order — Swine Exhibition Requirements June 2019.