

2024 Season/Ohio's Livestock Health

Exhibition Rules

Chapter 901:1-18 Exhibition of Animals

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 and 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 service, 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 sub stance 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.

901:1-18-04 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 health.

901:1-18-05 Poultry and fowl

(A) All turkeys, chickens and gamebirds 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.

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 be identified with official individual identification;

(2) Originate from a tuberculosis-accredited free herd, an accredited free state or zone, or a modified accredited advanced state or zone;

(3) If originate from a modified accredited state or 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/zone 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 or area/zone are not required to be brucellosis tested.

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 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 thirty days preceding the opening date of the exhibition 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 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 901:1-18-02 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.

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 ; 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.

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 of the exhibition 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."

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.

901:1-18-11 Llama

(A) Camelids including, but not limited to, llamas, alpacas and vicuñas moved within Ohio for exhibition when presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of an infectious or contagious disease.

(B) Camelids including, but not limited to, llamas, alpacas and vicuñas 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 be identified with official individual identification.

(2) When presented for exhibition must show no symptoms or evidence of contagious disease.

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