

CERTIFICATES OF VETERINARY INSPECTION

- Certificates of Veterinary Inspection are NOT REQUIRED for poultry, pigeons, and rabbits. Poultry and pigeons must be accompanied by an Owner-Endorsed health certificate; Rabbits must pass a health inspection as they enter the fairgrounds.
- A Copy of the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection is required at check in and will be collected and kept.
- A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must accompany ALL production agriculture species on the fairgrounds. This includes animals in fair sponsored competitive events and non-competitive exhibitions held on the fairgrounds during the fair.
- Certificates of Veterinary Inspection must be executed on official Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Certificate of Veterinary Inspection forms (AAI-13) provided by the department. Veterinary practice generated 'Health Certificates' are NOT acceptable.
- Certificates of Veterinary Inspection must be marked "Exhibition" in block 1.
- For destination in block 3, Purchaser/Name of Show/Consignee, indicate "2023" Pennsylvania Fair Season" rather than the name of particular fair.
- These Certificates are not valid for interstate movement unless they meet the requirements of the state of destination.
- For ALL OTHER SPECIES, Certificates dated on or after May 1, 2023, are valid through the end of the 2023 Pennsylvania fair season.
- Note-Were a veterinarian has examined an animal for which a May 1, 2023, Certificate is valid for the entire fair season on or after May 1 and the veterinarian is comfortable that the thoroughness of that examination fulfills the obligations inherent in writing a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, the veterinarian may write a later date PROVIDED THAT it is dated as with the actual examination rather than the date on which it is being written.
- For Hogs, Certificate of Veterinary Inspection form must be no more than 14 days prior to the fair check-in date.

ANIMAL HEALTH RULES AND REGULATIONS

- All animals admitted to (show or fair) shall be identified by a unique and permanent ear tag or leg band, tattoo, brand, RFID tag or records of unique physical markings.
- Animals known to be infected with or exposed to any contagious, infectious, or external parasite disease, and animals restricted by quarantine may not be assembled for show purposes.
- All animals admitted to (show or fair) must comply with applicable state (7 PA Code) or federal (9CFR) rules.
- Animals presented for exhibition will be subject to inspection by show officials and will be rejected if there is evidence of infectious, contagious, or parasitic disease, or if health certification or identification documentation is not acceptable.
- All show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.
- **USE CAUTION WHEN FITTING YOUR ANIMALS** Be sure to use only grooming products that are approved for use not banned on meat and dairy animals when fitting your animals for show. Unapproved products may contain ingredients that result in unacceptable residues in the meat or milk. If you are not certain that a product is residue safe and approved for use on meat or dairy animals. **DO NOT USE IT!**
- ****IMPORTANT! ** IF UPON SLAUGHTER, TREATMENT WITH DRUGS, BIOLOGICS, OR ANY CHEMICAL FROM FITTING PRODUCTS, IS THE CAUSE OF CONDEMNATION OF A CARCASS, THE LOSS OF THE CARCASS AND ANY OTHER DAMAGES WILL BE BORNE BY THE EXHIBITOR. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT ANIMALS MUST BE WASHED BEFORE SALE.**
- **ALL HEALTH PAPERS MUST REMAIN AT FAIR GROUNDS FOR LENGTH OF FAIR.**

ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY

According to a plan, perhaps divine, perhaps evolutionary, but in any event, not the result of human intervention, we share the fragile environment of this planet with the animal kingdom; a kingdom of wild creatures in wilderness areas we must preserve; a kingdom of domesticated creatures who with us share our fields and meadows, our very homes, creature who, like us are born in a state of total dependence on parents or other adults; creatures who suffer pain, endure the pangs of hunger, shiver in the cold, swelter in the heat, recoil from cruelty, suffer from neglect, experience the ravages of disease, respond to loving care, and are comforted by clean, adequate living space just as humans.

-While recognizing the benefit to humanity derived from effective research into causes of and cures for disease and the need of the people of the World for an adequate food supply, the Westmoreland Agricultural Fair Association reaffirms as one of its basic corporate objectives the understanding and preservation of the basic needs of animals – wild and domestic.

-This Association determines to devote its resources and programs to the understanding and preservation of such needs.

-This Association is determined to take all appropriate steps, to the extent of its capabilities to require that those who use or occupy premises owned by this Association take every appropriate measure for the preservation of such needs.

-This Association determines to support and assist in every way possible the efforts and activities of other agencies, public or private, the purposes of which are the understanding and preservation of such need