

# HEALTH RULES FOR LIVESTOCK/POULTRY EXHIBITORS

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

All animals must be examined by the official veterinarian on the day they are admitted to the exhibition and at least once daily during the exhibition. All animals must meet the requirements for exhibition, importation, and intrastate movement as defined by the Minnesota Board of Animal Health. No animal may enter or be at a public exhibition that shows clinical signs of any infections, contagious or communicable disease, including ringworm and warts.

## **CATTLE**

Cattle must be officially identified. The Minnesota Board of Animal Health announced new testing requirements for lactating dairy cows effective June 18, 2024. See Division B – Dairy for complete press release.

## **SHEEP and GOATS**

Sheep and goats must be officially identified. No sheep or goat that is within 30 days of giving birth (either before or after) may be exhibited without prior approval from the Board of Animal Health.

## **POULTRY**

Chickens, turkeys and game birds, except baby poultry, must be individually identified with a leg or wing band. Chickens, turkeys, game birds, and hatching eggs from these birds must be accompanied by a certificate or test chart to show compliance with the following requirements:

- Pullorum-Typhoid – originate from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified *U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean* under the National Poultry Improvement Plan or be negative to a *Pullorum-Typhoid* test within 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition.

## **SWINE**

Swine must be officially identified. Swine housed outside of Minnesota that will be coming to the County Fair will need a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

## **HORSES**

Horses, except suckling foals accompanying a negative dam, must be negative to an official Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) test conducted within 12 months prior to the opening date of the exhibition.

## **DOGS**

Dogs four months of age or older must be accompanied by a Certificate of Rabies Vaccination documenting the dog is currently vaccinated for rabies.

## **Requirements for Livestock and Poultry originating from states other than Minnesota:**

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All animals must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinarian Inspection, in addition to the requirements outlined above.