

LIVESTOCK

General Livestock Rules

Health Requirements

1. Designated members of the Salem County Livestock Committee will inspect animals prior to the fair.

2. Animals to be exhibited at the Salem County Fair must be accompanied by the following:
 - Rabbits, Small Animals, Poultry* - "4-H Poultry, Rabbit or Cavy Health Form"
 - Dogs* - Proof of up-to-date distemper, parvo virus, and rabies vaccinations
 - Horses* - Negative Coggins and proof of Eastern encephalitis or Bivalent Encephalitis, tetanus, and rabies vaccinations.
 - Sheep and Goats* - All sheep and goats shall be identified by USDA approved official identification (ear tag and/or approved registry tattoo). Plus, all animals entering the show must have a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) or an Animal Health Certificate (AHC) signed by an accredited New Jersey veterinarian. Certificates should indicate that the animal did not originate from a herd with any infectious or contagious disease. Both forms of health certificates are acceptable.
 - The CVI is issued for an animal if the inspection is done on the farm where the animal originated. A CVI is only valid for a maximum of 30 days. Any animal housed outside of New Jersey must use a CVI form to compete in the shows.
 - An AHC may be issued by an accredited veterinarian but does not need to be issued at the site where the animal is housed. The veterinarian can issue an AHC valid for a 30, 60, or 90 day period based on the veterinarian's knowledge of the herd. AHC's issued for an animal off of the animal's home site must be signed by the owner of the animal under the section entitled "Owner Certification."
 - Beef, Dairy, Swine, and all other animals* - All animals entering the show must have a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) or an Animal Health Certificate (AHC) signed by an accredited New Jersey veterinarian. Certificates should indicate that the animal did not originate from a herd with any infectious or contagious disease. Both forms of health certificates are acceptable.
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3. Animals will be inspected by a designated Salem County Livestock Committee Representative or a certified veterinarian for visual evidence of infections or contagious diseases (i.e. foot rot, sore mouth, pink eye, ringworm, etc.). This inspection will be made prior to penning of animals. Evidence of these or other contagious/ infectious diseases will result in the animal's rejection from entrance to the fair. The Inspector's decision is final.

4. All animals must be dewormed based on the recommendation of a local veterinarian and according to label instructions. For animals to be sold at the fair, plan your deworming

schedule with the date of the sale in mind and the label directions for the “number of days before slaughter.” Your veterinarian may be able to give advice on this matter.

5. All market animals that are being sold at a terminal sale (i.e. market lambs, goats, hogs and steers) must have a completed Drug Use Form (DUF). This form must accompany the animal to the fair and to its final destination.

Livestock Showing Ethics/Code of Conduct

6. Tampering, altering and/or misrepresentation relative to any exhibit is prohibited. This prohibited activity includes but is not limited to the breeding, age, ownership and/or method of preparation or completion. (For example: this includes, but is not limited to coloring that alters or misrepresents breed characteristics, pumping, drenching and filling).
7. Unethical fitting of animal exhibits is prohibited. Unethical fitting is defined as the administration of any substance (to include, but not limited to, drugs, blood, oils, steroids, air, chemical substances) or performance of any surgical or non-surgical procedure altering the animal's configuration or natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or rendering its tissues unfit for human consumption.

Exceptions that are allowed to #3 and #4 include hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, manipulation of normally attached hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching, docking of tails, and coloring that does not alter or misrepresent breed characteristics.

8. An exhibitor may not take exception to the decisions of an official and/or judge in an unprofessional and/or public manner. Nor shall any exhibitor or person representing the exhibitor interfere with or show disrespect to any judge or show official.
9. The final determination as to whether any animal meets the requirements for eligibility for exhibition at the Salem County Fair shall be made by personnel assigned to the exhibit.
10. No animals will be released until after 10:00 p.m.. on Friday evening. Animals may be removed from the grounds between 10:00 p.m. and midnight on Friday or between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. There will be no security after 1:00 p.m. Saturday.
11. Livestock trailers must be parked in designated areas. This included trailers left at the fairgrounds for the duration of the fair, as well as trailers being removed each day.