

# 2018 WISCONSIN STATE FAIR OPEN AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR

## GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Wisconsin State Fair Park  
Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center  
640 S 84th St  
West Allis, WI 53214  
414.266.7050/7051  
[entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com)

Those participating in the Wisconsin State Fair may request reasonable accommodations for disabilities by contacting the Agriculture Department via email ([entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com)), via phone (414.266.7051) or by writing 640 S 84th St, West Allis, WI 53214 one month in advance of Fair events. The Agriculture department will contact the participants as soon as possible to discuss the requests for accommodations and will notify the appropriate State Fair Officials of accommodations which have been approved.

Wisconsin State Fair Park's Livestock Premise Identification number is # 003G3P.
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### WISCONSIN STATE FAIR PARK EMPLOYEES

Wisconsin State Fair Park employees, including but not limited to those involved in determining the eligibility for and the outcome of competitive events of the Wisconsin State Fair, are required to avoid situations and actions which could create doubt on the fairness of competitions. Participants in competitions and the public must have confidence that Wisconsin State Fair competitions remain above reproach. To this end, Wisconsin State Fair Park employees shall abide by the State of Wisconsin's ethics and conflict of interest statutes and administrative rules as well as Wisconsin State Fair Park Board policies.

See the Wisconsin State Fair Park Ethics document located on the website at [www.wistatefair.com](http://www.wistatefair.com) for more information.

### RULE INTERPRETATION/ENFORCEMENT

In the event Wisconsin State Fair rules conflict with other affiliated organizations/associations, Wisconsin State Fair Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to Wisconsin State Fair. It further reserves the right to determine unforeseen matters not covered by these rules, to amend or add to these rules as they, in their judgment, may deem advisable.

All exhibitors are expected to conform with Wisconsin State Fair Rules and Wisconsin Administrative codes and State statutes. Any person who violates any of the following or special rules will forfeit all privileges and prize money and be subject to such penalty as Management may order (failure to comply may result in award(s) and prize money forfeiture; and/or dismissal from the Fairgrounds, and/or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation occurred and/or from all departments entered; and/or in future competition in the Wisconsin State Fair.). In the event of conflict between the general rules and the special rules governing the various departments, the special rules will govern.

The following due process will be used in the questions of a rule violation: The exhibitor and/or parties involved will be questioned by the Department Superintendent. If it is felt that a violation has occurred, the Department Superintendent will make a ruling.

## EXHIBIT LIABILITY

Wisconsin State Fair will take reasonable precaution to protect the safety of the exhibits at the Fair but owners themselves take the risk of exhibiting them, and should any exhibitor or portion thereof be injured, damaged, lost or stolen, State Fair Park personnel will give assistance toward recovery of the same, but will not be liable or make any payment for the value thereof.

Neither the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin State Fair Park, or its employees or agents shall be liable for any loss to an exhibitor occasioned by animal health, fire, accident, condition of structure, terrorism, vehicle or damage caused by weather to any exhibit, article, equipment or commercial exhibit left in the building or on the grounds after the close of the Fair.

Exhibitors or owners of animals, vehicles and/or machinery, while stationary or in motion, and any other exhibits or equipment which may cause accidents, injury or damage to persons or animals or property coming in contact with or in proximity to them, shall guard their exhibits, vehicles or machinery, and protect the public from coming in contact therewith at all times while on the Fairgrounds, and every such exhibitor or owner shall indemnify the State of Wisconsin, the Fair Park Board, and its agents and employees from and against claims and demands, costs, charges and expenses which it or they might incur, suffer or be put to by reason of failure to take the precaution above referred to or failure to comply with State Fair Park rules, policies or directives. Liability insurance to comply with indemnity provisions is required. Presentation of an entry form shall be deemed acceptance of this provision.

Neither the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin State Fair Park, nor any of its officers, employees or agents shall be responsible for any bodily injury, damage or other loss to any Exhibitor or his or her property while off-grounds of the Wisconsin State Fair Park during Wisconsin State Fair.

## ADMISSION FEES

All exhibitors must have valid admission to enter the Fair Park August 2 - August 12, 2018. Admission fees do not include vehicle parking! Livestock show exhibitors may purchase up to a maximum of 50 admission tickets per exhibitor. **Please note: each admission ticket can only be scanned once.** If an exhibitor would like to exit and re-enter the Fair Park multiple times during the day, he or she MUST get his or her hand stamped at the admission Gates (with proof of valid admission). Admission tickets which get wet, sun-damaged, lost or stolen will not be replaced.

### SPECIAL PROMOTION ADMISSION FEES (May 1 – June 30)

#### One-Day Admission Ticket (Adult or Youth)

Exhibitor purchased with entry	<b>\$4 each</b>
Children 5 and under	<b>Free</b>

#### One-Day Adult (12 years+) Admission Ticket (After June 30 through Fair)

Purchased in the WSF Agriculture Entry Office	<b>\$8 each</b>
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### FAIR TIME ADMISSION FEES (Gate)

#### One-Day Adult (12 years+) Admission Ticket

**\$14 each**

#### One-Day Youth (7-11 years) Admission Ticket

**\$8 each**

#### Children 5 and under

**Free**

## PARKING FEES

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- **Blue Ribbon Parking:** A **free** off-site Agriculture Exhibitor vehicle parking lot with easy access from I-94 is available. This free parking lot located will have 24-hour security, in and out access and overnight parking privileges. A free shuttle will be run continuously from noon, Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> through the duration of the Fair. The shuttle will pick up and drop off near Gate 5. No trailers will be allowed to park in this lot (see trailer parking below).
- **Red Ribbon/General Parking:** General Fair parking valid for one vehicle admission per day (no in and out privileges). Available only upon arrival at any vehicle access gate (except Gate 5).

The Red Ribbon parking pass cannot be upgraded to White Ribbon or Platinum status once purchased. Parking is not guaranteed. No overnight parking allowed. \$12 per day/vehicle

- **White Ribbon Parking:** General Fair parking with multiple in and out privileges per day. Available for purchase prior to or during the Fair through the Case IH Coliseum Entry Office for \$18 per day/vehicle. Each date parking pass will be valid only on the date printed on it. The date must be declared on entry form/online entry. \*An unused White Ribbon parking pass may be exchanged in the Entry Office for another White Ribbon Parking Pass if requested before the printed date on the ticket. Parking is not guaranteed. White Ribbon parking cannot be upgraded to Platinum status once purchased. No overnight parking allowed. No refunds are given for unused vehicle parking.

**Examples:**

- Exhibitor Sally Smith has purchased three (3) White Ribbon parking passes one each for August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. On August 6<sup>th</sup>, she realizes she no longer needs the parking pass for August 8<sup>th</sup>. She cannot receive a refund for the August 8<sup>th</sup> parking pass but can exchange it in the Case IH Coliseum Entry Office for a white ribbon parking pass for any of the remaining Fair days.
- Exhibitor Bill Smith purchased three (3) White Ribbon parking passes - one each for August 6<sup>th</sup>, August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup>. On August 8<sup>th</sup>, Bill realizes he did not use his August 6<sup>th</sup> pass and instead wants a parking pass for August 9<sup>th</sup>. Bill CANNOT exchange his unused August 6<sup>th</sup> pass or receive a refund since the parking pass expired. If Bill wants a White Ribbon parking pass for August 9<sup>th</sup>, he must purchase one for \$15 at the Case IH Coliseum Entry Office.
- **Platinum Parking:** A **limited** number of parking passes are available for parking in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center lot with in and out privileges for \$25 per day/vehicle. Overnight parking is allowed. **Platinum parking passes are only available for purchase online prior to the Fair with entries.** No refunds are given for unused vehicle parking.
- **Trailer Parking:** A **free** Wisconsin State Fair off-site trailer parking lot will be available and assigned upon arrival. All trailers **MUST** be parked offsite. **Exhibitors cannot sleep in their trailers overnight or keep any animals in trailers at the offsite lots.**

**REFUND OF FEES**

There will not be any refunds of entry, Youth Center, parking, or admission fees.

**CHECKS RETURNED TO THE WISCONSIN STATE FAIR FROM A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION FOR ANY REASON WILL BE CHARGED A \$20 SERVICE FEE. PAYMENT MUST BE MADE WITHIN 5 BUSINESS DAYS OF NOTIFICATION FROM WISCONSIN STATE FAIR.**

**VEHICLES**

**Between 9 am and 9 pm vehicles CANNOT cross Grandstand Avenue (the intersection between the upper Livestock Barns/Youth Expo Building and the Race Track). The only exceptions will be made during major changeovers. Please plan accordingly.**

**Automated/Golf Carts:** The use of automated/golf carts is limited while the Fair Park is open to the public. All carts must have a valid permit (available for purchase through the Admissions Office – 414.266.7100) visibly displayed on the hood. While the Fair is open to the public carts can only be driven from the RV Park to the Cart corral located near “North Point” (Turn 4 of the Racetrack near the Sky Glider ride); exhibitors with carts cannot cross “North Point” and take their carts to the barns. Before 9 am and after 9 pm (or when the Fair is closed to the public) carts can be driven and parked on 5<sup>th</sup> Street near the Double Deck Barn.

## LODGING

The Wisconsin State Fair RV Park (414.266.7035) located in the northeast corner of the Fair Park is the only site on the Fair Park where RV or trailer camping is permitted. **Campers** must be parked in the Wisconsin State Fair RV Park. Contact the RV Park at 414.266.7035 for availability and rates.

A limited number of rooms in the **Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center** are available August 9<sup>th</sup> (after 10 pm) through the 12<sup>th</sup>. If interested, please contact the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center, via email at [dormreservations@wistatefair.com](mailto:dormreservations@wistatefair.com) or by calling 414.266.7042 Monday – Friday from 8 am to 5 pm (Central time). There is a limit of three rooms per reservation. A limited number of “one night only” rooms will be available. **PLEASE NOTE:** No alcohol is allowed in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center. **All open show exhibitors staying in the Youth Center must purchase a Fair admission wristband from the Youth Center (on the registration form or upon arrival).** The wristband will serve as admission into the Fair (**all exhibitors must have valid admission to enter the Fair**). Persons without wristbands **will not** be allowed on Youth Center lodging floors. Wristbands are **\$4.00 PER PERSON/PER NIGHT**.

### Hotels near Wisconsin State Fair Park:

- Hampton Inn & Suites Milwaukee West, 8201 West Greenfield Ave, West Allis, 414.436.2300.
- Best Western Woodsvie Inn, 5501 W National Ave, Milwaukee 53214, 800.528.1234
- Days Inn West Allis, 1673 S 108<sup>th</sup> St, West Allis, 414.778.2200.
- Forty Winks Inn, 11017 W Bluemound Rd, Wauwatosa 53226, 800.946.5746.
- Baymont Inn & Suites, 2111 E Moreland Blvd, Waukesha 53186, 262.547.7770.

The Greater Milwaukee Convention Bureau (800.554.1448) has available a list of all hotels in the greater Southeastern Wisconsin area.

**Wisconsin State Fair livestock barns are not approved for overnight sleeping accommodations by the local fire department. Sleeping in the barns overnight will not be permitted.**

### ALCOHOL/ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY:

The use of alcohol by exhibitors, adults, chaperones or Fairgoers in the livestock barns or other areas where youth are present is strongly discouraged.

Exhibitors ticketed by law enforcement personnel for underage drinking and/or possession/use of illegal substances at any point during the Fair will not be allowed to exhibit or show for the duration of the Fair. Entry fees, Youth Center fees, and prize money will not be refunded or paid. Exhibitors will lose eligibility for the following year's Fair as well.

### PETS

All pets, whether on a leash, carried or in a container, are not permitted on site during the Fair, unless the pet is part of a Fair event, e.g. K-9 Sports. Service animals are, of course, permitted.

### WISCONSIN STATE FAIR FEED SERVICE

- 1) Wisconsin State Fair will have limited amounts of feed and bedding for sale. Feed order forms are available online at [www.wistatefair.com](http://www.wistatefair.com). Advance orders are appreciated and can be submitted with entries, faxed (414.266.7057) or phoned (414.266.7052) to the Wisconsin State Fair Entry Office **AFTER June 13<sup>th</sup>**.
- 2) All feed and bedding orders must be paid **at the entry office** in full before receiving an official exhibitor release. Check or credit card payments **will** be accepted. Checks should be made payable to Wisconsin State Fair. In the event of nonpayment, prize money will be withheld and future entries will not be accepted until the balance is settled.
- 3) Feed and bedding orders will be delivered mornings and evenings during the Fair. Orders placed in the morning will be delivered that evening. Orders placed in the evening will be delivered the next morning. Please plan your feed and bedding needs accordingly.
- 4) Large Straw Bales are not available for purchase for the Open Dairy Show. Exhibitors who require the equivalent of a large square bale are encouraged to place their straw order with the entry office prior to

July 27th. Additionally, exhibitors may not bring their own skidsteers/machinery to offload any equipment or supplies. Wisconsin State Fair is not able to unload personal equipment and supplies.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Entries will not be considered unless accompanied by full remittance and proper forms are sent directly to Wisconsin State Fair.
- 2) **THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OF ENTRY OR ADMISSION FEES.**
- 3) Wisconsin State Fair Management reserves the right, at any time, to refuse entries or prohibit the exhibit of animals entered or not sufficiently presented to be a credit to the breed represented.
- 4) Entries may be submitted online **or via mail**. Entry deadlines are:
  - June 13<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of June) – postmark for mailed in (paper) entries
  - June 27<sup>th</sup> (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of June) – online entry deadlineor when barn capacity is reached.

Anything postmarked after June 13<sup>th</sup> is considered late and late fees apply. Anything entered online after 7 pm Central Time June 27<sup>th</sup> is considered late and late fees apply.

Entries must be postmarked, or received on or before the entry deadline. In all cases, the official post office cancellation date will be used as the date of entry. Should the postage meter date and the official post office cancellation date be different, the official post office cancellation date will be the date of entry.
- 5) Entry forms must **contain** complete information including class number, birthdate, ear notch, ear tag/scrapie tag, name, and registration number (except market). Any entries without proper information will be returned.
- 6) Open division exhibitors must be at least five years of age as of January 1st of the current year to show their animal(s) in the show ring. Exhibitors under five years of age may still enter an animal, but the person showing/presenting the animal during the judging must meet the above age requirement.
- 7) Exhibits erroneously entered in a class, and/or do not meet the specifications of the class can be transferred to a proper class or disqualified by the Superintendent prior to judging. If such classes have already been judged, they shall not be re-opened.
- 8) **Breeder/Exhibitor Definition:** The owner of the dam at the time of service shall be considered the breeder of the animal. Where a herd is registered in the names of different members of a family residing on one farm, and where the herd is one unit, all entries will be considered as exhibits of one breeder.

### JUDGING

- 1) Judges have been carefully selected. All exhibitors making entry for the Fair accept these judges and agree to abide by their decisions. It is prohibited for exhibitors to contact or attempt to contact a judge pertaining to judging of classes after the judge has accepted the assignment of judging at Wisconsin State Fair. No exhibitor should socialize, fraternize, or visit with a judge during the show(s). If any exhibitor, exhibitor's family member, employee, or adult facilitator attempts to interfere with the judge in any manner, the exhibitor shall forfeit all prize money awarded and may be excluded from further competition. The decision of the judge will be final in all cases. Judges will not be permitted to show in departments they are judging. Wisconsin State Fair reserves the right to change judges at any time.
- 2) A judging schedule is printed at the beginning of each department although it may be subject to change.
- 3) Animals must enter the show ring when the class is called. The judge, ring steward or show management has the right to close the class. It will be assumed any exhibitor who misses his/her class is not a contender for the prize money offered.
- 4) A judge will not consider an animal whose attendant is not displaying the correct exhibitor number during the competition. Groups will not be considered unless the correct exhibitor's number is displayed.
- 5) Each animal shall be exhibited to the entire satisfaction of the judges. After a class has been closed no animal(s) may leave the ring before the entire class has been judged without the approval of the judge. Upon final placing, exhibitors are requested to remain in position in line or parade while the judge is

giving his/her reasons. Any violation of this rule will cause forfeiture of all prize money won by the exhibitor.

- 6) If only one exhibitor is competing in any class, the judge may recommend any placing at his or her discretion. Judges will not place unworthy entries.
- 7) The decision of the judge will be final in all cases except where mistake, fraud, misrepresentation, or collusion not discovered at the time of the award is proven. The Agriculture Director reserves the right to consult with the Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Committee on any or all cases.
- 8) Should a first place entry be disqualified after winning its class, but before its respective division championship, the second and third place animals will move up to first and second in the class and compete for champion in the division. If a second place animal is disqualified, the third place animal will move up. Should a division animal champion be disqualified after winning its division but before selection of Grand Champion, the reserve division champion will move up to champion and compete for Grand Championship. In this case, no attempt will be made to replace the division reserve champion. If a division reserve champion animal is disqualified, no shifting upward will occur and no attempt to replace the reserve champion will be made.

### **NONAMBULATORY/DECEASED ANIMALS**

Wisconsin State Fair will not allow exhibitors to unload animals that are non-ambulatory (i.e. downer) or unable to walk off the vehicle/trailer under their own power. The exception to this policy will be unloading the animal for euthanizing and/or disposal. If an animal becomes non-ambulatory after arrival at Wisconsin State Fair Park the following policies will be strictly enforced:

- 1) The owner of any animal which becomes non-ambulatory (unable to move under its own power) after arriving on Wisconsin State Fair Park grounds shall immediately notify the Department Superintendent. The Superintendent shall immediately notify the Wisconsin State Fair Veterinarian and the Agriculture Director.
- 2) The contracted Wisconsin State Fair Veterinarian, Department Superintendent, Agriculture Director, and the owner/parent (or representative) of the animal in question will consult each other to come to the best decision for the animal with the emphasis being for the best welfare of the animal. If the animal in question is a Junior Show entry, the County Participation Contact may also be involved with the decision. Only the persons listed above who are available should be involved in the decision.
- 3) Livestock which become non-ambulatory after arriving at Wisconsin State Fair Park must be disposed of or removed for treatment within 12 hours of discovering or receiving notice of the animal's condition. If the animal is treatable and the above committee agrees, the owner must remove the animal from the Fair Park (at the owner's expense) within the 12-hour period. If euthanasia is determined to be the best option, it will be at the owner's expense.
- 4) If an animal dies while at Wisconsin State Fair Park, Fair Park management is responsible for coordinating the removal of the carcass from the Fair Park at the owner's expense.
- 5) Wisconsin State Fair management and or contracted Wisconsin State Fair veterinarians reserve the right to test all non-ambulatory animals in instances where symptoms of contagious disease or suspected ethic violations are present. Testing will be done at the owner's expense.

### **PRIZE MONEY AND AWARDS**

- 1) Prize money will be paid as soon as possible after the end of the Wisconsin State Fair.
- 2) The signed judging sheets are the only recognized basis for payment.
- 3) Any combination of winnings and/or payments could be subject to taxable reporting and will result in a 1099 being generated and submitted to the IRS for tax purposes.
- 4) Animals shown in a group class must be exhibited in the individual class(es).
- 5) Questions and/or discrepancies on prize money checks must be submitted in writing to the Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Department prior to **October 1<sup>st</sup>** for resolution (email: [entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com), fax to Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Department 414.266.7007 or write to Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Department, 640 S 84<sup>th</sup> St, West Allis WI 53214). Please include department, division, class and explain any discrepancy. Prize money records will be considered closed on **October 1<sup>st</sup>** and the exhibitor's right of protest or re-issue is thereafter relinquished.

- 6) All checks are void one (1) year after they are issued. Checks not cashed result in forfeiture of prize money won.

### **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR BREED SHOWS**

The following policies and procedures apply to all livestock shows at Wisconsin State Fair, including but not limited to: Beef Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Draft Horses and Donkeys (Miniature, Standard and Mammoth).

**To introduce a new species or breed of livestock to show, the following apply:** A representative of a new breed/species must make a written request to the Agriculture Director of Wisconsin State Fair by November 1 of the year prior to the Fair in which they wish to participate. The Agriculture Director will review the application and make a recommendation of exhibition status to the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board Agriculture Committee. Exhibition criterion may be based on the following criteria: available exhibition time/space, show growth potential, uniqueness of breed, state or regional breed/organization support, commitments of participation, etc. If approved by the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board Agriculture Committee, the breed will enter a three-year exhibition period.

During the exhibition period, the State Fair will provide:

- A qualified judge contracted by the Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Department.
- Ribbons (first through fifth place in each class) and other agreed upon awards presented to Champions.
- Prize money Schedule (Outlined in rules and regulations):
  - Full (100%): Shows meeting minimum requirement of twenty-five (25) head shown at the Fair.
  - Partial (50%): Shows with less than twenty-five (25) head shown at the Fair.

If a breed association chooses to match or exceed the base prize money offered by Wisconsin State Fair the breed association must submit a proposal for the additional prize money distribution to the Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Director for approval by January 1st.

If, after the three-year exhibition period, the minimum breed show requirements (rolling three-year average of three (3) separate Wisconsin breeders/farms and twenty-five (25) head shown) are met the breed will be granted recognized breed show status.

If, after the three-year exhibition period, the minimum breed show requirements (rolling three-year average of three (3) separate Wisconsin breeders/farms and twenty-five (25) head shown) are not met the breed show as a recognized Division will be eliminated. Exhibitors may still enter in the Any Other Breed Division (if offered) or the breed is eligible to re-apply for exhibition status with the Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Director.

#### **Maintaining a recognized breed show:**

Breeds of livestock on the show schedule for Wisconsin State Fair must maintain either of the minimum requirements:

- **Three-year rolling show average of twenty-five (25) head shown**
- **Ten (10) or more participating exhibitors.**

Should a breed show not meet either of these minimum requirements the following “on notice” procedures will occur:

1<sup>st</sup> year - an official “on notice” letter will be sent in December of the current year by the Agriculture Director to the state or regional breed association and the current Wisconsin State Fair exhibitors. Full prize money will remain for the next year’s Fair. If, after the first year of being “on notice”, the breed show does not meet the minimum criteria the breed will be placed “on notice” for a second year.

2<sup>nd</sup> year - an official “on notice” letter will be sent in December of the current year by the Agriculture Director to the state or regional breed association and the current Wisconsin State Fair exhibitors.

Partial prize money (75%) will be paid by Wisconsin State Fair. If, after the second year of being “on notice”, the breed show does not meet the minimum criteria the breed will be placed “on notice” for a third year.

3<sup>rd</sup> year - an official “on notice” letter will be sent in December of the current year by the Agriculture Director to the state or regional breed association president and the current Wisconsin State Fair exhibitors. Partial prize money (50%) will be paid by Wisconsin State Fair. If, after the third year of being “on notice”, the breed show does not meet the minimum three-year rolling average the breed will be eliminated as a recognized breed show for the following Fair.

Should a breed which has been placed “on notice” meet either of the minimum criteria the breed will be re-instated to full prize money and removed from “on notice” status the following year.

Should a breed show lose its status of a recognized breed show its exhibitors **can enter in the Any Other Breed Division (if offered)** or the breed can re-apply for exhibition status with Wisconsin State Fair (as listed above). Entry fees as posted in the rules and regulations must be paid by all livestock exhibitors regardless of recognized show status.

### **LIVESTOCK PREMISE IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Wisconsin State Fair Park’s Livestock Premise Identification number is **# 003G3P**.

Livestock premise identification numbers are mandatory by state law for all locations where animals are housed in Wisconsin but providing this number is not mandatory to exhibit at Wisconsin State Fair.

Producers who register their premises will be better informed to protect their premises and their livelihood. In turn, they will help prevent disease spread and minimize the economic damage of an animal disease outbreak or animal health event. Registering a livestock premise involves obtaining an alpha-numeric identifier for the farm, ranch, veterinary clinic, or other site where livestock/fowl are handled, housed, managed or processed.

When including the livestock premise identification number on the entry form please use the identification number for the location where the animal is primarily housed.

To register for a Livestock Premise Identification number, go online to [www.wiid.org](http://www.wiid.org).

### **JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT ENTRIES IN THE OPEN SHOW**

Junior exhibitors may enter and show animals in the Open Show by paying all required entry fees. Open show entries **MUST** be on open show entry forms and paid with separate checks or money orders. Exhibitors must comply with all rules of the Open Show including animal ownership.

### **EXHIBIT RELEASE**

- 1) Livestock exhibit release time is according to each department’s regulations or as approved by the Superintendent. Fair management has the authority to change the time of release in any department.
- 2) Any exhibit removed prior to its official release from the Department Superintendent will forfeit all privileges and prize money and are subject to such penalty as Management may order (failure to comply may result in award(s) and prize money forfeiture; and/or dismissal from the Fairgrounds, and/or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation has occurred and/or from all departments entered; and/or in future competition at Wisconsin State Fair).
- 3) Livestock exhibits which have not been removed by the exhibitor at the close of the Fair will be removed or dispersed of as Fair Management sees fit.

### **GENERAL RULES**

- 1) **Pre-Fair:** Monday, July 30<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> exhibitors will be asked to display admission tickets or parking passes at the gate but they are not required for admittance. **All parking restrictions are in effect and must be obeyed.**



- 2) No trucks, vehicles or trailers will be permitted to park around the livestock barns and buildings. No camping is allowed in or around the livestock barns. **Wisconsin State Fair livestock barns are not approved for overnight sleeping accommodations by the local fire department. Overnight sleeping in the barns will not be permitted.**
- 3) Grilling or barbequing is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** in or around the barns.
- 4) Superintendents will assign Stalls and pens. Exhibitors must keep their stalls open between the hours of 8 am and 9 pm. Exhibitors are required to keep their space, pens, stalls, and animals presentable and accessible to the public at hours designated by the Superintendent. Exhibitors are required to notify and obtain approval from the Superintendent to alter any assigned stall(s) or pen structure(s) or any part thereof. If an exhibitor does not seek and obtain such approval, the exhibitor will indemnify and hold Wisconsin State Fair Park harmless for any damage to any person or property which results from such alteration or removal.
- 5) All manure removed from the barns must be placed inside the manure bin structures. Bins are located on the North side of the Livestock and Swine Barns, the West and North side of the Horse Barn, and the West and South side of the Old Cattle Barn. No trash should be thrown in with manure. Trash barrels are provided for food stuff, paper, and general trash. Dumping of manure in trash barrels is prohibited.
- 6) Recycling containers will be placed throughout the grounds for certain types of recyclable materials. Red sharp containers are available and should only be used for medical waste products and sharp objects.
- 7) Fair Management has the authority to disqualify or reprimand any exhibitor who treats any animal in an inhumane and/or unethical manner.
- 8) **Animal Treatment:** While on the Wisconsin State Fair Park grounds, the Wisconsin State Fair On-site Veterinarian must administer all medication. The On-site Veterinarian will inspect, treat, and record all information on an official 3-ply Treatment Record Form. There will be no charge for the Wisconsin State Fair Veterinarian to treat an animal. Only medication costs will be charged to exhibitors. The Animal Treatment Tent and On-site Veterinarian trailer is located on 5<sup>th</sup> Street north of the Double Deck Barn. This is the only area to be used to administer treatments (oral, IM, IV, subcutaneous). Exhibitors who violate the authorized treatment protocol may be disqualified.
- 9) Exhibitors entering registered animals will be required to furnish name and registration numbers of the animal at the time of entry, and to have the registration certificate(s) available for inspection at any time.
- 10) **Electrical equipment policy.** To prevent electrical and safety issues caused by worn, ungrounded and/or unapproved equipment all equipment not properly grounded or not conforming to the manufacturer's specifications for safety and usage will be disconnected. Exhibitors with faulty/unapproved equipment will be warned and if proper corrective action is not taken the electrical cord will be cut to prevent further use while at Wisconsin State Fair Park.
- 11) **Generators:** The use of portable power sources is permitted during show hours only. Generators must be kept outside the barns. When not in use generators must be kept in designated locations on the Fairgrounds.
- 12) **Livestock Equipment:**
  - A) **Fans:** The use of one (1) fan is allowed per animal. Overhead fans must be hung from the front wall on either side of the animal. The Superintendent reserves the right to determine acceptable placement and usage. All fans must conform to the manufacturer's recommendations and Wisconsin State Fair safety regulations. No butt fans allowed. *Junior Dairy Only: Floor fans may be used to move air for the entire display only and must be kept out of the aisles.*
  - B) **Generators:** The use of portable power sources is permitted during show hours only. Generators must be kept outside the barns. Generators not in use must be kept in designated locations on the Fairgrounds.
  - C) **Extension Cords:** All cords must meet Wisconsin State Fair and manufacturer's recommendations for safety. No cords are permitted to be in the aisles or in public areas (both above and on the surface) without being properly secured. Wisconsin State Fair Management retains the authority to determine what is acceptable.
  - D) **Grooming Chutes:** Exhibitors using grooming chutes must store them out of the public walkways. Chutes **MUST** be placed in tack areas or other designated areas outside of the barn when not in

use for fitting. Chutes are only allowed in the barn aisles 60 minutes before, during and 30 minutes after the shows.

- E) **Livestock Scales:** No personal livestock scales are allowed on Wisconsin Fair Park grounds. Exhibitors using an unofficial scale will be disqualified from participation and/or placing and prize money in the shows will be forfeited.
- F) **Stalling equipment:** The use of stall dividers for separating animals and designating tack areas is permitted. No equipment is approved for use behind the animals or in the aisles.
- G) **Tack:** Show boxes, feed, bedding and other show equipment which is used for the care of the livestock must be kept neatly in the exhibitor's designated area and out of the public aisles. It is important to keep all livestock and livestock housing areas orderly and safe to demonstrate a positive image of animal agriculture to the public.
- H) **Gas/Diesel/Propane Storage Containers:** Containers holding hazardous/flammable materials must be kept in the designated area north of the barns.
- I) **Other Equipment:** The use of skid steers, fork lifts or other motorized equipment is strictly prohibited for liability reasons. Please contact Wisconsin State Fair if you have any questions.
- 13) **Advertising Restrictions:** Under no circumstances will any person, firm, club, or association be allowed to place any advertising matter upon or within buildings, trees, or any place on the grounds, nor is it permitted to distribute advertising matter outside the pens/stalls assigned.
- 14) Wisconsin State Fair management reserves the right to remove any images, displays, materials, slogans within exhibits/displays/stalls which may be considered/perceived as inappropriate.
- 15) All exhibitors who sell merchandise to Wisconsin State Fair customers (Fairgoers and exhibitors) out of their existing space assigned as an animal exhibitor must obtain a permit prior to selling any merchandise. All items sold MUST be pre-approved by Wisconsin State Fair. Permits for vending are \$25 per day. Contact the Agriculture Department at [entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com) to purchase a permit. Permits must be purchased prior to the Fair. Exhibitors requesting additional space for selling merchandise will be charged on a scale more in line with commercial Fair vendors ranging from \$60 to \$75 per frontage foot. Violators of this policy will not be allowed to sell merchandise and may be asked to leave the Fairgrounds.
- 16) A fee of \$100 is required to place an official written protest. The fee will be retained by Wisconsin State Fair if the protest is not sustained.
- 17) Participants of Wisconsin State Fair are occasionally photographed and/or videotaped for Wisconsin State Fair promotional or educational materials. No personal information about the participant (such as name, age, or address) will be used with photos or videos in promotional program materials nor will any compensation be provided. However, photos may be released to local publications where participants may be identified.
- 18) For public safety and liability reasons exhibitors may not use space in or around their exhibits to conduct any type of direct contact/petting or photo opportunities geared toward Fairgoers/public.

## WISCONSIN STATE FAIR PARK AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT DECISION REVIEW PROCEDURES

### DEFINITIONS AND ESCALATION SEQUENCE:

- Complaint (Verbal):** Express verbal opinion on a decision or matter to Wisconsin State Fair Park (WSFP) staff.
- Complaint (Written):** Written opinion submitted to Wisconsin State Fair Park (WSFP) staff via mail, hand delivery or email on a decision or matter.
- Protest:** Action requesting the review of a decision by the Wisconsin State Fair Park (WSFP) Agriculture Director; the official protest must be submitted in writing on a WSFP Protest Form via mail, hand delivery or email. The WSFP Agriculture Director must respond in writing via mail, hand delivery or email within seven (7) business days of receiving the Protest.

**Appeal:** Action requesting the review of a decision by the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board Agriculture Committee (WSFPBAC). An Appeal must be submitted in writing on a WSFP Appeal form via mail, hand delivery or email within seven (7) business days from the date the protest decision was received. The WSFPBAC Chair or designee must respond with a decision in writing via mail, hand delivery or email within seven (7) business days of receiving the Appeal.

**Final Appeal:** Action requesting the review of an Appeal decision by the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board (WSFPB). A Final Appeal must be submitted in writing on the WSFP Final Appeal Form along with a deposit of \$250 (check or money order via mail, hand delivery or email within seven (7) business days from the date the Appeal decision was received. The WSFPB Chair will review the Final Appeal and has the authority to determine if this appeal will be reviewed by the WSFPB of Directors. The WSFPB Chair or designee must respond with a written decision via mail, hand delivery or email within seven (7) business days of receiving the Final Appeal.

**PROCEDURE:**

**Complaints:**

**Verbal complaints** are considered unofficial, may be received at any time, and do not require action by Staff, Superintendent or Management.

**Written complaints** are considered official, and do not require formal action or a decision. Written complaints must be signed by the remitting party and dated, with complete contact information. The complaints will be evaluated/discussed within program reviews and/or considered while making program enhancements. Written complaints may be hand-delivered, mailed, or emailed to:

Wisconsin State Fair Park Agriculture Department  
640 South 84<sup>th</sup> Street  
West Allis, WI 53214  
[entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com)

Agriculture Department staff may or may not choose to respond to a written complaint. Please note: Official written complaints may be subject to open records requests.

**Protests:**

To challenge a decision, an official protest must be submitted in writing on an official WSFP Protest Form via mail, hand delivery or email within seven (7) business days of receiving the decision. The Protest must substantiate the concern and justification for the review of a decision. Protests may be sent to:

Wisconsin State Fair Park Agriculture Director  
C/O Official Protest  
640 South 84<sup>th</sup> Street  
West Allis, WI 53214  
[Brian.bolan@wistatefair.com](mailto:Brian.bolan@wistatefair.com)

The WSFP Agriculture Director must respond in writing with a decision via mail, hand delivery and email, explaining the rationale for any decision rendered within seven (7) business days of receiving the Protest.

**Appeals:**

To challenge the WSFP Agriculture Director's Protest decision, a written WSFP Appeal Form must be submitted and received in care of the WSFP CEO via email, hand delivery or email, within seven (7) business days of receiving the protest decision. The Appeal must substantiate the concern and justification for the Protest to be reviewed. Appeals may be sent to:

Wisconsin State Fair Park CEO  
c/o Official Appeal  
640 South 84<sup>th</sup> Street  
West Allis, WI 53214  
[Kathleen.OLeary@wistatefair.com](mailto:Kathleen.OLeary@wistatefair.com)

The appeal will be reviewed by the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board Agriculture Committee (WSFPBAC). The WSFPBAC may choose to gather information from the protesting party and/or WSFP Management. The WSFPBAC Chair or designee will respond in writing via mail, hand delivery or email, explaining the rationale for any decision rendered within seven (7) business days of receiving the Appeal.

If the WSFPBAC decision on the Appeal overturns the WSFP Agriculture Director's Protest decision, the WSFP Agriculture Director may challenge the Appeal decision of the WSFPBAC to the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board (WSFPB). This Appeal must be submitted and received in care of the WSFPB Chair via mail, hand delivery or email, within seven (7) business days of receiving the WSFPBAC appeal decision.

The Agriculture Director's Appeal will be reviewed by the WSFPB Chair who will determine if the Final Appeal has merit to be reviewed by the WSFPB Directors.

If the WSFPB Chair rules the Final Appeal has merit for an appeal the WSFPB Directors will be presented with the Appeal. The WSFPB Chair/Directors may choose to speak with the WSFP Agriculture Director and/or the WSFPBAC and/or other WSFP Management. The WSFPB Chair or designee will respond with a decision in writing via mail, hand delivery or email, explaining the rationale for any decision rendered within seven (7) business days of receiving the Agriculture Directors Appeal. The decision of the WSFPB Directors/Chair is final and not subject to further appeal.

#### **Final Appeal:**

To challenge the WSFPBAC's Appeal response, a written WSFP Final Appeal Form must be submitted and received in care of the WSFP Board Chair via mail, hand delivery or email, within seven (7) business days of receiving the appeal decision. Additionally, a deposit of \$250 (check or money order) will be required with Final Appeal submission; the deposit will be returned if the decision of the appeal is overturned but retained if the decision of the Final Appeal is not overturned. The deposit is a recovery mechanism to offset labor costs incurred during the entire decision review process. Final Appeals must be sent to:

Wisconsin State Fair Park Board Chair  
c/o Official Final Appeal  
640 South 84<sup>th</sup> Street  
West Allis, WI 53214  
[Kathleen.OLeary@wistatefair.com](mailto:Kathleen.OLeary@wistatefair.com)

The appeal will be reviewed by the WSFP Board Chair who will determine if the Final Appeal has merit to be reviewed by the WSFP Board of Directors.

If the WSFPB Chair rules the Final Appeal does not merit consideration by the WSFPB the WSFPB Chair or designee will respond in writing via mail, hand delivery or email, explaining the rationale for any decision rendered within seven (7) business days of receiving the final appeal. The decision of the WSFPB and/or Chair is final and not subject to further appeal.

If the WSFPB Chair rules the Final Appeal has merit for an appeal the WSFPB of Directors will be presented with the Final Appeal. The WSFPB Chair/Directors may choose to speak with the protesting party and/or the WSFPB Agriculture Committee and/or WSFP Management. The WSFPB Chair or designee will respond in writing via mail, hand delivery or email, explaining the rationale for any

decision rendered within seven (7) business days of receiving the final appeal. The decision of the WSFPB Directors/Chair is final and not subject to further appeal.

The WSFPB's: Chair, Directors, Agriculture Committee Members and the WSFP CEO/Executive Director and Agriculture Director reserve the right to discuss the protest/appeal/final appeal with legal counsel, or other parties relevant to render a conclusion to a Protest/Appeal/Final Appeal.

Additional Decision Procedures related to LIVESTOCK SHOWS/COMPETITIONS:

**Before an Animal is shown (i.e. - the actual competitive event):**

If Wisconsin State Fair Park Management suspects a violation of the Show Ring Code of Ethics and/or published Wisconsin State Fair rules/regulations will occur if an animal is shown, and the violation is reasonably well-established before the animal is shown, WSFP Management will discuss the potential violation and possible actions with the exhibitor; and:

- 1) if, at the exhibitor's discretion, the animal in question is not shown, no violation will have occurred.
- 2) if the exhibitor wishes to challenge WSFP Management's decision that a violation will occur/has occurred; the exhibitor will have the opportunity to submit an official protest and enter the WSFP decision review procedures. If the decision is upheld, the exhibitor will be denied the opportunity to exhibit the animal in question.

**During and after an animal is shown (i.e. - the actual competitive event):**

All animals are subject to examination prior to, during and after judging. A violation may be considered because of failure to comply with guidelines, rules and regulations as established by recognized breed associations, the judge, and/or Show Management.

If an animal is exhibited and a violation is subsequently suspected, investigated, and determined to have occurred, the violation will be reported to the Agriculture Director for action. The WSFP Agriculture Director and other pertinent Show Management will notify the exhibitor of the violation at which time the exhibitor will be invited to present a response (verbal or written) to the allegations. Violations are subject to the disciplinary provisions of Show Management. Sanctions may include any one or a combination of the following:

- forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, prize money, or proceeds;
- written letter of reprimand to the owner, exhibitor, fitter or responsible person;
- disqualification of the exhibition livestock from an exhibition;
- disqualification of the exhibitor from the show;
- publication of offense (as these actions may be subject to open records review).

Disqualification may include any or all shows/classes for an indefinite number of years.

**JUDGES, JUDGING AND/OR AWARDS REVIEWS:**

**Verbal complaints** are considered unofficial, may be received at any time, and do not require action by Staff, Superintendent or Management.

**Written Complaints** are considered official. The written complaint must clearly state the concern(s) and justifications. Written complaints will follow the "Written Complaints" protocol as listed above. Of special note:

- Written complaints pertaining to judge qualifications/potential conflicts of interest must be submitted in writing a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the judging date. Judges are selected through a formal review process prior to WSFP issuing a service agreement. In consideration of this process, complaints based solely on unsubstantiated concerns questioning the competency of judges will not be considered. Parties involved will be notified and given the opportunity to submit evidence to the WSFP Agriculture Director whose decision is final and not subject to appeal.

**Protests and Appeals:** Protests and Appeals must clearly state the concern(s) and

justifications. Protests and Appeals will follow the decision review protocol listed above. Of special note:

- Award protests must be submitted to the WSFP Agriculture Director within five (5) hours of the award being presented. An award is deemed presented when the notation of the decision is entered on the official judging sheets. Overturning a judging decision will only be considered if it is determined an award has been made in violation of the rules governing the exhibit.

### ETHICS

- 1) Exhibitors agree to accept all testing systems/procedures selected by Wisconsin State Fair to verify rule compliance.
- 2) Tampering, and/or inhumane treatment; and/or misrepresentation as to breeding, age, ownership, milk status of animals and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception.
- 3) To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity in the livestock shows, Wisconsin State Fair reserves the right to disqualify any animal fitted in an unethical manner and disqualify the exhibitor.  
**Prohibited unethical fitting shall include (but is not limited to):**
  - Any injection of gas, solid or liquid to alter the normal conformation.
  - Treating the udder internally or externally with an irritant or other substance to artificially improve conformation.
  - Any cutting or tearing of the hide, cutting, or tearing underneath the hide or removal of tissue in any attempt to alter the shape or appearance.
  - Attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development, dyeing or coloring hair, adding artificial tailheads, switches, polls, hair, and heels, as well as any attempt to change the conformation and degree of firmness by administration of fluids internally or externally in a liquid or solid state.
  - The use of clenbuterol.
  - Setting teats or manipulating a teat to alter its normal position such as to unnaturally hold it plumb or alter its length.
- 4) All exhibitors, their immediate family and any other parties involved in the unethical fitting, showing or misrepresentation of an animal will be subject to award(s) and prize money forfeiture, which may include the forfeiture of auction proceeds; and/or dismissal from the Fairgrounds; and/or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation has occurred and/or from all departments entered; and/or in future competition in Wisconsin State Fair.
- 5) Read all product labels closely to make sure they do not contain ingredients which may be interpreted as a performance enhancer. Any questions should be directed to Wisconsin State Fair prior to use.
- 6) **Medication received prior to the show:** Animals under the care of a licensed veterinary and/or taking any type of performance enhancing medication which may include but is not limited to steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers, and pain killers are ineligible for competition. Exhibitors with questions regarding medications and/or eligibility should consult with the Wisconsin State Agriculture Director prior to competition. In instances where an animal has been administered a drug that is FDA approved for its species, the exhibitor must be aware that the time it takes for no drug residue to be found in the system is generally longer than the labeled withdrawal time for most drugs. Wisconsin State Fair maintains a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY for unethically fitted livestock. Adequate time must have passed so the animal does not test positive for drugs upon arrival. Once the animal arrives on Wisconsin Fair Park grounds, they must remain free and clear of all drug and chemical residues.

### ANIMAL TESTING

**As a condition for Wisconsin State Fair participation, exhibitors must agree to submit their animal entry to any inspection or tests requested by State Fair Management. Exhibitors must also agree any conclusion(s) reached by State Fair Management as to whether such animal is unethically fitted to be final. Tissue, hair, blood samples and/or carcass evaluations which yield a positive answer to tampering or an unethical practice will be sufficient evidence to remove the rights and privileges of the exhibitor(s) and to be subject to award(s) and prize money forfeiture, which may include auction proceeds; and/or dismissal from the Fairgrounds; and/or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation has occurred and/or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation has occurred and/or from all departments.**

**IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)  
NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS**

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall, at all times, deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to Junior as well as open show exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit prize money, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

- 1) All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
- 2) Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
- 3) Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
- 4) Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood or other samples taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian

- 5) Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
- 6) The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
- 7) Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show

officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

- 8) No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
- 9) The application of this code of ethics for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
- 10) The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including *Fairs and Expos* and any special notices to members.
- 11) The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions provided by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.



# 2018 Wisconsin State Fair

## Animal Health Regulations

*This is a summary of animal health requirements for Wisconsin State Fair. They are not necessarily the same as requirements for importing animals into Wisconsin or moving them within the state for other purposes. They may change if animal diseases occur in Wisconsin or elsewhere, so you should always check with the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection website for current information. Ref. s. ATCP 10.87, Wis. Admin. Code*

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>General requirements for show organizers</b></p>	<p><b>All fairs or exhibitions of any length</b> must obtain, review, and keep for five years all required records and test results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhibitor's name and address</li> <li>• Animal identification (number, type, description)</li> <li>• Documents showing compliance with disease testing and other health requirements</li> <li>• Livestock premises number, if any, where animals originated</li> <li>• If requested by the fair or show organizer, the documentation showing legal importation (if applicable) and movement to the event</li> </ul> <p><b>Fair or exhibitions lasting more than 24 hours</b> must appoint a licensed veterinarian to inspect all animals daily and review the above required records.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Diseases</b></p>	<p><b>Animals that show evidence of having contagious or infectious diseases</b> may not be commingled (or housed/kept) with other animals at a fair, show, or other exhibition in such a way as to allow disease to spread. Such animals should not attend the fair, show, or exhibition. Animals may be denied entry if they arrive at these events with contagious or infectious diseases, isolated and/or removed if they develop disease after arriving, or be subject to other action as would be necessary to control disease.</p> <p><b>Bovine animals with ringworm, mange, warts, or scab</b> will be removed from the fair or exhibition premises, unless the veterinarian in charge finds warts or ringworm lesions are incapable of transmitting disease.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cattle and bison</b></p>	<p><b>Cattle from within Wisconsin</b> have no requirements for tests or health documents.</p> <p><b>Cattle from outside Wisconsin</b> must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be accompanied by certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI or health certificate) documenting official animal ID and all required tests and certifications</li> <li>• Have at least one form of official individual ID (including steers)</li> <li>• Meet all of Wisconsin's normal requirements for import (see <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/CattleBison.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/CattleBison.aspx</a>)</li> </ul> <p><b>Acceptable animal IDs for all cattle from outside Wisconsin</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USDA metal ear tag number that is part of the National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) (starts with state 2-digit code, also known as "brite" tag); this includes the orange brucellosis baccination tag</li> <li>• 15-digit "840" tags (visual or RFID)</li> <li>• Valid only if applied before March 11, 2015:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Manufacturer-coded RFID tag - 15-digit number with the first three digits in 900s</li> <li>○ American ID tag – 8 to 12-digit number prefaced with "USA"</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Brucellosis requirements for cattle from outside Wisconsin</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No cattle from outside Wisconsin are currently required to be brucellosis-tested or vaccinated to come to fairs and shows in Wisconsin</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuberculosis requirements for cattle from outside Wisconsin</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For requirements by state, see: <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/CattleBison.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/CattleBison.aspx</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Cattle from Michigan’s Modified Accredited Zone (for cattle from Michigan’s TB Free Zone, see requirements by state above) also need:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Import permits</li> <li>To originate from a herd that has a negative whole-herd TB test within 12 months before arrival in Wisconsin that includes all animals 1 year and older</li> <li>Need negative individual TB tests within 60 days before entering Wisconsin</li> <li>To return directly to the state of origin after the show, and there must be a statement on the CVI that they will be doing so</li> </ul> <p>For information on obtaining an import permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Online <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx</a></li> <li>Email <a href="mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov">DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov</a></li> <li>Call 608-224-4872</li> </ul> <p><b>Cattle from Canada</b> must meet current federal requirements to enter the United States. (See <a href="http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/downloads/pro_imp_cattle-bison_can.pdf">http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/downloads/pro_imp_cattle-bison_can.pdf</a>)</p> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/CattleBison.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/CattleBison.aspx</a>.</p>
<p><b>Swine</b></p>	<p><b>Swine moving within Wisconsin to Wisconsin State Fair must have the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI)</b> with the complete physical origin and physical destination address and the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Official swine identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USDA silver ear tag</li> <li>USDA 840 button ear tag</li> <li>Breed association tattoo</li> <li>An ear tag with the premises identification number and a unique identifier</li> <li>Ear notch (if the pig is a purebred and the notch is documented with registration)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Statement (On CVI) that a veterinarian has inspected the entire herd of origin within the past 30 days before the show and that no apparent disease was present at the time of inspection. Statement must also include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Farm of origin of has not had pseudorabies or swine dysentery in the past 12 months, has not had any clinical signs or diagnosis of TGE or PEDV in the past 60 days, feeds no garbage, uses no PRV vaccine, is not under quarantine for any disease condition and vesicular stomatitis has not been diagnosed within 10 miles of the farm of origin within the past 30 days.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Testing for Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Virus (PRRS) and Swine Enteric Coronavirus Disease (SECD) as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negative tests of herd of origin within 90 days prior to movement. Documentation of the negative test results must be made available upon request.</li> <li>Positive test for either PRRS or SECD of herd of origin within 90 days prior to movement, the herd will be quarantined until a herd plan is established and approved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check</p>

	<a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/SwineMovement.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/SwineMovement.aspx</a> .
<b>Sheep and goats</b>	<p><b>Sheep and goats from within Wisconsin</b> need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If sexually intact, need official individual ID <i>at any age</i></li> <li>• If not sexually intact, need official individual ID if they are <i>12 months or older</i></li> <li>• Official ID includes scrapie ear tags or tattoos, USDA 840 ear tag, approved microchips if a reader is available and if accompanied by breed registration papers in the owner's name, or breed association tattoo if accompanied by registration papers in the owner's name</li> <li>• Cannot be under restriction for movement to fairs and shows</li> </ul> <p><b>Sheep and goats from outside Wisconsin</b> need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI or health certificate) and official individual ID: scrapie ear tags or tattoos, USDA 840 ear tag, approved microchips if a reader is available and if accompanied by breed registration papers in the owner's name, or breed association tattoo if accompanied by registration papers in the owner's name</li> </ul> <p><b>Goats from Michigan's TB Modified Accredited Zone</b> also need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Import permits</li> <li>• To originate from a herd that has a negative whole-herd TB test within 12 months before arrival in Wisconsin that includes all animals 1 year and older</li> <li>• Negative individual TB tests within 60 days before entering Wisconsin</li> <li>• To return directly to the state of origin after the show, and there must be a statement on the CVI that they will be doing so</li> </ul> <p>For information on obtaining an import permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx</a></li> <li>• Email <a href="mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov">DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov</a></li> <li>• Call 608-224-4872</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_ServicesSheepGoatMovement.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_ServicesSheepGoatMovement.aspx</a>.</p>
<b>Equine</b>	<p><b>Equine animals from within Wisconsin</b> need documentation of a negative EIA test done within the previous 12 months, which clearly identifies the animal by complete description, digital photographs, or an approved microchip (if a reader is available). Documentation may be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Official test report VS 10-11, <i>or</i></li> <li>• USDA-approved electronic test form, <i>or</i></li> <li>• Global Vet Link EIA electronic form, <i>or</i></li> <li>• Certificate of veterinary inspection with the test results listed</li> </ul> <p><b>Equine animals from outside Wisconsin</b> need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) which clearly identifies the animal by complete description, digital photographs, or an approved microchip</li> <li>• Negative EIA test done in within previous 12 months that is reported on the CVI</li> </ul> <p><b>Equines from Minnesota</b> are exempt from the CVI requirement if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ownership does not change while the animal is in Wisconsin</li> <li>• The animal remains in Wisconsin no longer than 7 days</li> <li>• Proof of an EIA test in previous 12 months accompanies the animal</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/HorseOtherEquineMvmt.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/HorseOtherEquineMvmt.aspx</a></p>
<b>South</b>	<p><b>South American camelids from within Wisconsin</b> have no requirements.</p>

<p><b>American camelids: llamas, alpacas, guanacos, vicunas</b></p>	<p><b>South American camelids from outside Wisconsin</b> must have a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) and official animal ID. Official ID may be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approved USDA ear tag number</li> <li>• Microchip number</li> <li>• Breed association registration number</li> <li>• Breed association tattoo</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/LlamaAlpacaMovement.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/LlamaAlpacaMovement.aspx</a>.</p>
<p><b>Exotic ruminants</b></p>	<p><b>Note:</b> <i>Exotic ruminants are ruminants that are not native to Wisconsin, and are not cervids – for example, Old World camels, yaks, water buffalo, pronghorn antelope, giraffes, and non-domestic sheep and goats.</i></p> <p><b>Exotic ruminants from within Wisconsin</b> have no requirements.</p> <p><b>Exotic ruminants from outside Wisconsin</b> must have</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate of Veterinary inspection (CVI)</li> <li>• Official individual ID (one of the following) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Approved USDA ear tag number</li> <li>○ Microchip number</li> <li>○ Breed association registration number</li> <li>○ Breed association tattoo</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Import permit</li> <li>• Proof written on the CVI that they meet requirements for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Tuberculosis (TB)</i> – negative test required within 60 days before entry</li> <li>○ <i>Brucellosis</i> – negative test required within 30 days before entry</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Please call 608-224-4872 beforehand to determine which TB test to use.</p> <p>For information on obtaining an import permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx</a></li> <li>• Email <a href="mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov">DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov</a></li> <li>• Call 608-224-4872</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/ExoticSpecies&lt;vmt.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/ExoticSpecies&lt;vmt.aspx</a>.</p>
<p><b>Poultry and waterfowl (Pigeons are not considered poultry for fairs and shows)</b></p>	<p><b>Poultry and waterfowl from within Wisconsin</b> need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A NPIP certificate stating that the birds originate from a US pullorum-typhoid clean or NPIP affiliate flock, and turkeys must test negative for <i>Mycoplasma gallisepticum</i> or</li> <li>• A DATCP-issued certificate stating they are from a Wisconsin Tested or Associate Flock and turkeys must test negative for <i>Mycoplasma gallisepticum</i></li> </ul> <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individually test sexually mature birds within 90 days before arrival at the show. These birds also need wing or leg band ID. All birds must test negative for pullorum-typhoid, and turkeys must test negative for <i>Mycoplasma gallisepticum</i>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Poultry and waterfowl from outside Wisconsin</b> need a certificate of veterinary inspection or equivalent (such as form VS 9-3) that states:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They originate from a flock classified pullorum-typhoid clean under NPIP or an equivalent</li> </ul>

	<p>state program and turkeys must test negative for <i>Mycoplasma gallisepticum</i>, or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If they are sexually mature, that they have tested negative for pullorum-typhoid (and <i>Mycoplasma gallisepticum</i> for turkeys) within 90 days before arrival at the show. These birds also need wing or leg band ID.</li> </ul> <p><b>Not required:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Import permit number</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PoultryMovement.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PoultryMovement.aspx</a>.</p>
<p><b>Small animals: Dogs, domestic cats, and other household pets (ferrets, pet birds, rabbits, gerbils, guinea pigs, hamsters, domestic mice and rats)</b></p>	<p><b>Note:</b> <i>These rules do not apply to animals that are part of menageries. For those rules, see below. Pot-bellied and miniature pigs fall under rules for swine.</i></p> <p><b>Dogs from within Wisconsin</b> that are 5 months or older need proof of current rabies vaccination.</p> <p><b>Cats and other household pets from within Wisconsin</b> have no requirements.</p> <p><b>Dogs and cats from outside Wisconsin</b> that are 5 months or older need to be vaccinated for rabies by a licensed veterinarian, and regardless of age, need certificates of veterinary inspection stating the age of the animal and for animals 5 months and older the date of last rabies vaccination and revaccination due date</p> <p><b>Other household pets from outside Wisconsin</b> need certificates of veterinary inspection (CVIs) but have no testing or vaccination requirements.</p> <p><b>Small animals from other nations need to meet requirements of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (608-662-0600) and Centers for Disease Control (1-800-232-4636).</b></p> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PetMovement.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PetMovement.aspx</a>.</p>
<p><b>Exotic small animals (any species not covered by "small animals" above), exotic large animals, and other wild animals</b></p>	<p><b>Note:</b> <i>Local jurisdictions may have requirements beyond the state requirements listed here.</i></p> <p><b>Animals from within Wisconsin</b> do not have any requirements as long as they are legally possessed in Wisconsin.</p> <p><b>Animals from outside Wisconsin</b> generally have no testing or vaccination requirements, but do need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI)</li> <li>• Import permit number</li> </ul> <p><b>Note: Some animals may not be brought to Wisconsin.</b> These are North American prairie dogs and the following African species: tree squirrels, rope squirrels, dormice, Gambian giant pouched rats, brush-tailed porcupines and striped mice.</p> <p>Others may require permits from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. See <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov">http://dnr.wi.gov</a>.</p> <p>For information on obtaining an import permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx</a></li> <li>• Email <a href="mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov">DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov</a></li> <li>• Call 608-224-4872</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PetMovement.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PetMovement.aspx</a>.</p>

<p><b>Circus, rodeo, racing and menagerie animals</b></p>	<p><i>Note: Local jurisdictions may have requirements beyond the state requirements listed here.</i></p> <p><b>Animals from within Wisconsin</b> must meet vaccination and testing requirements for their species. See these requirements earlier in this document.</p> <p><b>Animals from outside Wisconsin</b> need certificates of veterinary inspection and vaccinations and tests required for their species. See these requirements earlier in this document.</p> <p>They also need import permit numbers if they are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circuses and individual circus acts</li> <li>• Rodeo stock other than individual participants' horses</li> <li>• Multi-species menageries (defined as any animals kept in a collection primarily for purposes of exhibition or competition)</li> <li>• Petting zoos</li> </ul> <p>They do not need import permit numbers if they are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rodeo horses owned by individual participants</li> <li>• Single-species groups</li> </ul> <p><b>Note: Some animals may not be brought to Wisconsin.</b> These are North American prairie dogs and the following African species: tree squirrels, rope squirrels, dormice, Gambian giant pouched rats, brush-tailed porcupines, and striped mice. Others may require permits from the Department of Natural Resources. See <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/captive/captive.htm">http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/captive/captive.htm</a>.</p> <p>For information on obtaining an import permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/AnimalMovementPermits.aspx</a></li> <li>• Email <a href="mailto:DATCPAnimallImports@wi.gov">DATCPAnimallImports@wi.gov</a></li> <li>• Call 608-224-4872</li> </ul> <p>Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant. For current information, check <a href="http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services?CircusesRodeosMenageries.aspx">http://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services?CircusesRodeosMenageries.aspx</a>.</p>
<p><b>Guidelines for housing and managing animals</b></p>	<p><b>The State Veterinarian recommends that exhibitors:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaccinate breeding cattle against bovine viral diarrhea (BVD) at least 30 days before the event</li> <li>• Test cattle for BVD-PI by immunoperoxidase test, and Johne's disease by ELISA test, bring them to shows only if they test negative</li> <li>• Clean and disinfect vehicles used to transport animals to and from the show, and vehicles used at the show, before and after the show</li> <li>• Isolate exhibited animals returning to their farms or animals purchased at the show for 21 days before mingling them with other stock</li> </ul> <p><b>The State Veterinarian recommends show organizers to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• House cattle separately from South American camelids and other exotic ruminants</li> <li>• House cattle separately from small ruminants, especially sheep</li> <li>• House ostriches, emus, rheas, and cassowaries separately from domestic poultry</li> <li>• House swine separately from any other mammals</li> <li>• Include a space for the premises registration code on livestock entry forms</li> <li>• Provide hand-washing stations near all livestock facilities</li> <li>• Provide individual watering and feeding troughs rather than common ones</li> </ul>