Section 1
Division IV – Non-Society Horse Shows Premium Book
Announcements and General Rules

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Headquarters
The Competitive Events Department of the Illinois State Fair is in the north wing of the Emmerson Administration Building, and the General Livestock Office is in the lower level of Building #30, also called the Junior Livestock Barn.

Educational Objectives
The purpose of the Illinois State Fair is to provide participants with the opportunity to accomplish the following objectives:

1. Participate in quality educational experiences through interaction with experts in each project field, as well as fellow exhibitors.
2. Exhibit the livestock and showmanship skills associated with their project or vocation.
3. Showcase the talents of each individual exhibitor.
4. Showcase the educational benefits of the 4-H and FFA programs.
5. Showcase Illinois livestock and Illinois agriculture.

State Fair Administration and Oversight
By participating in the Illinois State Fair, all exhibitors agree to abide by this premium book and all statutes and administrative rules. The Illinois Department of Agriculture shall solely interpret and uphold these rules, to preserve the quality and standards of the Illinois State Fair and protect the safety, security, and well-being of State Fair exhibitors, visitors, and exhibited animals. It is a privilege to exhibit at the Illinois State Fair, and the Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the right to disqualify and remove any animal and/or person.

While on the Fairgrounds, livestock exhibits are under the control of the Illinois Department of Agriculture, its director, officers, employees, and agents, including the General Livestock Superintendent and respective Livestock Department Superintendents.

“Illinois State Fair”, “Illinois Department of Agriculture”, and “Department” may be used interchangeably throughout this premium book.

General Eligibility

Open Horse Shows

Open Livestock Departments of the Illinois State Fair are open to all exhibitors regardless of age or residency, who have properly entered divisions and classes prior to the posted deadlines.

Junior Horse Shows

To be eligible to show in the Junior Horse Shows of the Illinois State Fair the exhibitor must have participated in an Illinois 4-H or FFA program, under the supervision of 4-H Leaders, Extension Staff, or Teachers of Vocational Agriculture, as applicable. Records of participation will be verified with the respective organization.

1. All Junior Exhibitors must be eight (8) years of age as of September 1, 2025.
2. 4-H Exhibitors must be no older than 19 years of age as of the first Monday in September of the current year.
3. FFA Exhibitors must be no older than 21 years of age as the first Monday in September of the current year,
    a. And must have active membership in one of the following:
        i. Local high school FFA or Alumni Chapter
        ii. At-Large membership of the Illinois FFA prior to April 1, 2026.

A word to parents, leaders, and teachers

Proper supervision of the activities of young people participating in the Illinois State Fair is a necessity. Those in charge of the activities of the Non-Society Horse Show Division have been selected because of their experience of working with young people. However, parents, leaders, and teachers should be aware of conditions on the Fairgrounds and make provisions for adequate care and supervision of exhibitors.

Filing a Protest or Objection

If another exhibitor or any member of the public has reason to believe that an exhibitor should be disqualified, they may contact the superintendent of that department, and/or state fair officials and must present evidence in writing. If, after reviewing the evidence, the Illinois State Fair disqualified the exhibit or exhibitor, the complaining party's name and evidence may be included in the Notice of Disqualification. The basis for a disqualification cannot be anonymous.

Objections to any person serving as a judge must be submitted to the Competitive Events Office in writing, providing good and sufficient reasons, prior to the judge in question making any award in a given show. In all cases, the Illinois State Fair management shall have full power and authority to act.

GENERAL RULES FOR EXHIBITS AND EXHIBITORS

Entry Rules, Fees, and Information

1. No employee (includes full-time, part-time, and/or contractual employees) of the Illinois State Fair or members of his/her immediate family are allowed to own or exhibit any animals and/or articles at any competitive event at which he/she is employed as a judge or superintendent. (Immediate family is defined as the spouse, children, stepchildren, parents or stepparents, brothers, sisters, stepbrothers or stepsisters.)
2. By submitting an entry at the Illinois State Fair, exhibitors agree to all terms and conditions in this premium book and all other laws including the *Humane Care for Animals Act.*
3. Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system on the Illinois State Fair website. No other type of entry will be accepted. Payment must be made via credit card at the time of entry. No other type of payment will be accepted. Assistance with entries is available at the Competitive Events Office, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding holidays. No fees will be refunded.
    a. Entry deadlines
        i. Junior Horse entries must be submitted on or before July 1. No Junior Department entries will be accepted after that date.
        ii. Open Department entries must be submitted by July 15. Late entries will be accepted through July 31 for the Draft Horse and Pony Show and Miniature Horse Show with an additional $50.00/exhibitor charge assessed.
    b. Fees
        i. The schedule of fees for each horse department can be found at the beginning of each section of the premium book.
4. For purposes of entry, an exhibitor is defined as the individual, farm, or corporation responsible for executing the entry form, paying the entry fees, and ultimately receiving any premium monies that may be awarded.
5. Group entries must be made from animals entered and shown in single classes and must be the same owner as single entries unless otherwise stated in breed classification. Additionally, group entries are limited to one (1) per exhibitor. Further, partnership animals cannot be combined for group classes, including family partnership, unless otherwise stated in the breed classification.
6. At the time of check in, if an animal is identified as erroneously entered, the Department Superintendent has the authority to transfer the animal to the correct class. If the correct class has already been judged, it shall not be reopened, and the animal will be ineligible for competition. There will be no refund entry fee for erroneously entered animals. “Erroneously entered” shall refer to exhibits that do not meet the technical requirements for the class.

Animal Registration and Ownership

7. Registration papers or Certificates of Eligibility issued by respective national breed associations will be required in all purebred classes. Registration must show ownership of the animals in the name of the exhibitor or ownership by immediate family members (considered to be living in the same household) including the exhibitor for the period required in the 4-H or FFA projects. Documents for purebred animals must also indicate the registry numbers of sire and dam. Original registration papers, copies, and electronic papers will be accepted.
8. The Illinois State Fair reserves the right to collect DNA to verify breed characteristics, and any exhibitor found to be in violation may forfeit premiums and awards.
9. Double registered animals will be allowed entry into only one breed show.
10. Effective dates of ownership must appear on the registration papers. Required ownership dates

are printed in the species sections of the premium book.

Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards for Purebred or Registered Livestock

"The Department shall establish and promote contests and exhibitions of various classes of livestock to be known as the "Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards for Purebred or Registered Livestock" and to be conducted at the Illinois State Fair at Springfield". (20 ILCS 210/11.1)

Eligibility

a) As required by the State Fair Act, "only animals bred, born and maintained in Illinois and owned and exhibited by Illinois residents shall be eligible to participate in such contests and exhibitions; however, such animals shall be permitted out of this State for a reasonable period of time for showings, exhibitions, breeding or reproductive purposes, or medical treatment." (20 ILCS 210/11.1)
b) "For the purposes of determining compliance with Section, a reasonable period of time for permitting animals to be out of the State for showings, exhibitions, breeding, reproductive purposes or medical treatment shall be a maximum of 90 days during a fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). (8 Ill. Adn. Code § 270.261(b))
c) All animals must be shown in Junior or Open classes of the Illinois State Fair to be eligible to exhibit in Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards for Purebred or Registered Livestock classes. When the exhibitor enters the Junior or Open class, they shall indicate on the entry that the animal is eligible. Department staff will confirm an entry's validity upon check-in. Proof of eligibility through proper registration papers is required of all Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards for Purebred or Registered Livestock entries.

As a distinct part of the Land of Lincoln Breeders Awards for Purebred or Registered Livestock show, the Fair will recognize Illinois Exhibitor Bred and Owned Livestock for breeding animals in the following Junior Departments: Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats, and Dairy Goats. Rosettes and/or banners may be awarded by the Department.

Two (2) scholarships in the amount of $1,500 will be awarded to students between the ages of 17 – 20 years old by January of the application year and furthering their education in an Agricultural related field. Applicants and/or their family need to be members of the LLPLBA and involved in purebred livestock. The eligible purebred livestock: beef, dairy, goats, horses, sheep, and swine as listed in the Illinois State Fair Open Premium Book.

Applications will be available on the Illinois State Fair Website or Land of Lincoln Facebook Page. All applicants must complete the scholarship application and provide the names of the Institution they will be attending in the fall. The money will be sent directly to the Institution in the student's name.

Applications must be postmarked and returned by June 15th, to Tricia Kilburn-Zehr 19445 N 900 East Road, Pontiac, IL 61764 or emailed to tlkilburn71@gmail.com by midnight June 15th. No LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The winners will be notified by August 5th. All areas of the application must be completed.

Arrival, Penning/Stalling, Check-in, Showing and Release of Animals

11. All horses exhibited at the Illinois State Fair must meet the Illinois Exhibition Animal Health Requirements for State Fairs as in effect at the time of the Fair. Health papers must be inspected by the State Veterinarian or designee on the grounds and must be presented at check-in. Exhibitors are responsible for being aware of and in compliance with the appropriate requirements.
12. Times of arrival can be found in the species sections of the premium book. Any animals in barns prior to identified arrival times may be moved at the superintendent's discretion.
13. All pens and stalls are to be assigned by the superintendent or his/her assistants. Animals must be stalled or penned according to the superintendent's assignment.
14. State Fair management encourages the display of County, School, and Farm exhibit signs. Such signs, if displayed, must not exceed six (6) feet in length and three (3) feet in width. No commercial product or service advertising, other than the home, farm, or breed of the entrant will be allowed on stalls, pens, hurdles, or in the show arena. Decorative lights and painting of any portion of Illinois State Fair facilities are prohibited.
15. Junior exhibitors must personally care for their animals or exhibit during the entire Fair and must assume responsibility for having their animals available at the time of judging.
    a. All animals must be exhibited in show/judging rings by the Junior exhibitor unless exempted in advance by the species superintendent due to an identified, eligible conflict. In order for an exemption to be considered, a request must be provided to the superintendent no later than the time of animal check-in. The request must name the person, who must be a current exhibitor in the same Junior Livestock Department, who will show the animal(s). Requests may not be required at the time of check-in for conflicts that are not known to the exhibitor at the time of check-in.
    b. Animals shown in Junior Showmanship Classes, regardless of the department, must have been or will be shown in a specific market or breeding class by the Junior Exhibitor. If an exhibitor wins a Showmanship class leading to a championship competition, the animal shown must be the same in the class.
16. Exhibitors will be furnished with ring cards showing the entry number for each class. Ring cards must be worn in the show ring when animals are being exhibited. Ring cards are to be secured at check-in.
17. Animals will be released in accordance with the schedules listed for a given department. In all instances, exhibitors must obtain a signed release from an authorized superintendent and have said release form available for inspection by security at the Fair gates. Animals may be released prior to the published release dates and times if, at the discretion of the department superintendent, General Livestock Superintendent, and Competitive Events Office, an early release is warranted to preserve and protect the health and welfare of the animals or exhibitors. Exhibitors who remove animals prior to the published release dates and times may be subject to forfeiture of all placings, awards, and premiums. Horse shows held outside of the official Illinois State Fair dates are exempt from this rule.

Additional Expectations

18. Due to limited storage space in and around livestock facilities on the Fairgrounds, exhibitors will only be allowed to bring a reasonable amount of feed and bedding with them. As a service to exhibitors, the Illinois State Fair contracts reputable entities to supply livestock feed, bedding, and some miscellaneous livestock supplies. Feed is good quality with prices on a level with the retail market. Feed, bedding, and supplies purchased shall be on a cash basis. As a special service to exhibitors, bedding and feed can be delivered to assigned stalls and pens prior to

arrival. Exhibitors may phone or email: 217-523-5400 or evansfeed@gmail.com.

19. Unless properly permitted, no stock truck or trailer parking will be permitted in Lot 1, west of the Junior Livestock Barn (Building #30) at any time from August 10-24, 2026. All livestock trailers must be parked in the half-mile track. If the half-mile track reaches capacity, off-site parking will be available. All parking violations may be towed at owners' expense. Upon unloading, dump any excess manure from trailers into manure pits that are placed around the barns. No vehicles may be parked in the half-mile track, and no livestock trailers may be parked in tie-out areas. Vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.
20. Campers must be parked in the campground areas according to the established camping rules and procedures.
21. Equipment left on the Fairgrounds more than ten (10) days after the closing date of the Illinois State Fair shall be considered abandoned and become property of the Department for disposition at its discretion.

Awards and Premiums

22. The superintendent of each department shall instruct clerks to confirm entries, as indicated in the entry records, against entries present at the time of judging, and make record of what animals were shown and passed upon by the judge. The department superintendent shall ensure that all records of placing, and awards are properly executed by judges and clerks, and return such placings to the Competitive Events Office at the conclusion of the show.
23. Ribbons and trophies will be presented to exhibitors at the time of judging, and the Illinois State Fair is not responsible for loss or the issuing of replacements.
24. Champion classes are limited to first place animals, except reserve champions where the second-place animal from the class in which the champion was selected may compete.
25. Records of placings and awards shall serve as final evidence for payment of premiums. Ribbons and rosettes will not serve as evidence. Judges will certify their ranking in the showring at the time of judging, and such certification will support the completed records of placing and award.
26. Errors in premium statements may be corrected within ten (10) business days after the date of issuance on the check, after which time the books will be closed and incorrect premiums forfeited.
27. In all horse departments, exhibitors are limited to two (2) premiums in a single class.
28. All special premiums and/or awards will be paid or presented by designated associations or donors offering the same, and the Illinois State Fair is in no way responsible for the payment or extension of such special prizes.
29. No premium will be awarded to any animal or group of animals for the purpose of advertising any commodity.
30. The Department of Agriculture will use its best efforts to secure sufficient appropriates to fund premiums. In any year for which the General Assembly of the State of Illinois fails to make an appropriation sufficient to pay such premiums, premium amounts may not be accurately reflected in the premium book.

Section 2
2026 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements
Illinois State Fairs
Revised 04/29/2026

I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. These Exhibition Health Requirements apply to all livestock present on the State Fairgrounds, including livestock that are not entered in competitive events. Species specific information follows the general requirements.
2. Exhibitors are required to familiarize themselves with all rules applicable to their exhibits.
3. All out-of-state animals must have an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx.
4. All animals, except as noted in species specific information below, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI).
5. All animals must be officially identified.
6. All livestock shall be subject to examination upon entry to the State Fairgrounds. Examination may include but is not limited to ultrasound, urine testing, blood testing, and similar actions.
7. Definitions, abbreviations, and administration:
    a. Illinois State Fairs includes the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, IL and the Du Quoin State Fair in Du Quoin, IL
    b. Illinois State Fairgrounds shall mean the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield, IL and the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds in Du Quoin, IL
    c. The Illinois Department of Agriculture may be referred to as “Department” or “IDOA”
    d. The Department contains a Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare, which receives all CVIs.
    e. The Department operates both State Fairs and owns both State Fairgrounds.
    f. Department or IDOA staff, as used in this document, includes all Bureaus and the Fairs
8. IDOA will continue to monitor state and federal trends in animal health as it relates to this document. Any updates to these requirements will be posted on our website.

II. CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) means a legible record, made on an official form from the state of origin, containing an accurate description or identification of the animal including age, sex, breed, health status, and vaccination information.
2. The CVI must be signed, dated, and issued by a licensed and accredited veterinarian in that state.
3. Submitted CVIs must be as originally issued by the veterinarian; no CVIs with alterations, edits, or changes, will be accepted. The CVI must show that the animal meets all health requirements for the State of Illinois (species specific information noted later in this guidance)
4. CVI must show the name and address of the animal’s owner or exhibitor.
5. CVI must include the animal’s Animal Identification Number.
    a. Animal identification number (AIN): A numbering system for the official identification of individual animals in the United States that provides a nationally unique identification number for each animal. The AIN consists of 15 digits, with the first 3 being the country code (840 for the United States or a unique country code for any U.S. territory that has such a code and elects to use it in place of the 840 code).

6. If one CVI is used for multiple animals, each animal identification must be made on a separate line.
7. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to obtain electronic CVIs whenever possible; IDOA is moving toward only accepting electronic CVIs.
8. Exhibitors shall make CVIs available to Department of Agriculture and State Fair staff on request.
    a. If an official electronic CVI is utilized, the exhibitor should be able to log on and show Bureau of Animal Health Personnel the completed CVI.
    b. If a paper copy CVI is issued by the attending veterinarian, the copy for the Illinois State Fair in Springfield must be submitted via email to the Competitive Events Department at ISF.Livestock@illinois.gov at time of entry.
9. If animals are from tuberculosis accredited, brucellosis certified, pseudorabies qualified, or brucellosis validated herds, the identifying herd number(s) along with the date of the last herd test(s) shall appear on the CVI.
10. CVIs for out-of-state livestock shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance.
11. CVIs for Illinois-origin livestock shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.

III. QUARANTINE AND REMOVAL

12. Quarantine shall be at the animal owner (or exhibitor) risk and expense.
13. Quarantine and removal from the Fairgrounds shall be as determined appropriate by the State Veterinarian or their designee(s).
14. Quarantine will be required until the animal has been properly treated and recovered, or the animal can be released to return to the owner's premise, both in the opinion of the State Veterinarian or their designee(s).
15. Any animal presenting with a condition that would subject it to quarantine must be withdrawn from any/all entered competitions and are not permitted to exhibit.
16. Any condition meriting quarantine may also result in required removal of the animal from the Fairgrounds, as determined appropriate by the State Veterinarian.
17. Conditions subject to quarantine (not an exhaustive list)
    a. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases shall be held in quarantine.
    b. Any livestock infected with scabies, mange, active lesions of ringworm, soremouth, or multiple warts which are easily visible without close examination
    c. Sheep and goats with caseous lymphadenitis as evidenced by draining abscesses
    d. Suspicion of or diagnosis of a foreign animal disease, emerging animal disease, or other actionable disease, animals may be subject to quarantine on the fairgrounds until such time that it is determined that the disease is no longer a threat.
18. Any Illinois cattle, bison, cervidae or goats being exhibited in non-accredited free states must be isolated from the remainder of the herd/flock upon return to Illinois and retested for tuberculosis 60-120 days post-entry back into the state.

IV. SPECIES SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

The information included below for any species is in addition to the requirements noted above.
There are no additional species-specific information or requirements for llamas, pigeons, or rabbits.

CATTLE

Identification: Individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag). The identification tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.

Illinois Cattle:

- Illinois is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State and an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Brucellosis and Tuberculin testing are not required for Illinois cattle.
- Illinois calves under 6 months of age are not required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Out-of-State-Cattle

Brucellosis

1. Female cattle six (6) months of age and older and bulls eighteen (18) months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within thirty (30) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds, unless exempt by one (1) of the following:
    a. Originate directly from a certified brucellosis-free herd.
    b. Official vaccinates of dairy breeds under twenty (20) months of age or official vaccinates of beef breeds under twenty-four (24) months of age.
    c. Animal originated from a "Class Free" state (if entire state is so classified).
    d. Animal is a steer or spayed heifer.
2. The negative brucellosis test shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory within 30 days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

Tuberculosis

1. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States
    a. No tuberculin test required.
2. Non-Accredited Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
    a. Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past year.
    b. The individual animals entering Illinois must be negative to an additional tuberculin test conducted within 30 days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

SWINE

Identification: Individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag). The identification tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.

Illinois Swine: Brucellosis and Pseudorabies testing are not required for Illinois swine.

Out-of-State Swine:

Brucellosis

1. Breeding swine 4 months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds unless exempt by one (1) of the following:
    a. Originate immediately and directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd.
    b. Originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free state.
2. Swine brucellosis tests shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory.

Pseudorabies

1. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage IV or V state are exempt from the pseudorabies testing requirement.
2. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage III state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds or originate immediately and directly from a qualified pseudorabies negative herd.

3. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage I or II state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within 10 days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.
4. Barrows and females in market classes must meet the same requirements as breeding swine.

SHEEP

Identification

- Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
- Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal. If the tattoos are not visible, another form of official identification must be presented.
- When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Market Lambs: All market lambs must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before weigh-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

Scrapie: Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.

CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

GOATS

Identification

- Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
- Tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal. If the tattoos are not visible, another form of official identification must be presented.
    - Ears should be used for tattooing when possible. If there is no space in the ear, the flank or tail fold may be used.
- When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Scrapie: Goats originating from a herd that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd plan.

CVI must include the herd of birth and the herd of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Goats:

Goats from states that are not Accredited Bovine Tuberculosis Free, must also have the following information included on their CVI:

(1) that the goats originated from a herd where a complete negative herd test has been conducted within the past twelve (12) months and
(2) the individual animals are negative to a tuberculin test conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

HORSES, PONIES, MULES AND OTHER EQUIDAE

Equine Infectious Anemia

- All horses and other equidae, twelve (12) months of age and older entering the Fairgrounds, shall be accompanied by a negative test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) conducted within the last twelve (12) months.
- A copy of this test shall accompany the animal.
- AGID (Coggins) or ELISA tests are accepted.

Illinois Equine: A CVI is not required for Illinois equine.

Out-of-State Equine: All horses and other equidae shall be accompanied by a CVI issued within thirty (30) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

POULTRY

1. All entries (except waterfowl, i.e., domesticated fowl that normally swim, such as ducks and geese) in a show or exhibition shall have originated from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean or equivalent hatchery or flock OR have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. Exhibitor shall show proper information as to name and address of owner or exhibitor, name and address of the authorized testing agent, date of the testing and the number, breed, and species of those tested.
2. Prior to being used to transport poultry to a show, all crates, boxes, containers and vehicles shall be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
3. Any poultry vaccinations must be performed at least 4 weeks prior to delivery to the show.
4. Upon admission to a show, all entries shall be examined by the State Veterinarian or their designee or qualified state personnel who shall also receive and examine all certificates necessary for admission of birds to a show. Birds not in show condition will be removed from exhibition and must be removed from the Fairgrounds.
5. Any fowl showing signs of illness during the Fair will be removed from the Fairgrounds.
6. All out-of-state turkeys must originate from flocks that are officially classified as U.S. Mycoplasma Gallisepticum Clean in accordance with the provisions of the National Poultry Improvement Plan or be negative to a test for Mycoplasma gallisepticum within 30 days prior to entry.

CERVIDAE: Deer, Elk, Reindeer, Caribou, Moose, Red Deer and other Related Species

Identification: All animals shall be individually identified with an approved tag, microchip or tattoo. Elk are required to have two official/approved unique identifiers.

Illinois Cervidae

- **Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD):** For cervidae moving within the State, the owner must obtain a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture prior to movement. The cervid must originate from a herd that is enrolled in the Certified Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Program or the Contained Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease Program. The permit shall be obtained no more than 72 hours in advance of the movement of the cervids by providing the following information:
    a. Name and complete mailing address of person exhibiting the cervids;
    b. Certified Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease or Contained Monitored Chronic Wasting Disease Herd number;
    c. Name and complete mailing address of location where the animals will be exhibited;

d. Number of animals and unique identification of the animals.

- **Tuberculosis:** Illinois is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Illinois cervidae.

Out-of-State Cervidae. All Cervidae entering Illinois must:

1. Be in compliance with the Illinois Wildlife Code [520 ILCS 5]. For more information, contact the Illinois Department of Natural Resources at 217/782-6384.
2. Be accompanied by a permit from the Illinois Department of Agriculture 3. Have a CVI that:
    a. shows that the cervidae are free from visible evidence of any contagious, infectious or communicable disease or exposure thereto, do not originate from a CWD endemic area (any county and surrounding counties where CWD has been diagnosed in the past five years);
    b. shows that the cervidae are not originating from a herd under quarantine for any contagious, infectious or communicable disease;
    c. shows that the animals originate from a herd that has been monitored for at least 5 years under a state-approved CWD certification program.
4. **Brucellosis:** Cervidae six (6) months of age and older must have a negative brucellosis card or PCFIA test within sixty (60) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

5. Tuberculosis

a. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States: All cervidae twelve (12) months of age and over shall be negative to two (2) tests for bovine TB no less than ninety (90) days apart with the second test conducted within ninety (90) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds. These animals shall be isolated from all other members of the herd during the testing period unless they originate from an accredited, qualified or monitored herd.
    i. Cervidae from an accredited herd may be moved into Illinois without further TB testing provided that a certificate stating that such cervids originated from an accredited herd accompanies them.
    ii. Cervidae originating from qualified or monitored herds may enter with a negative test within ninety (90) days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds and a certificate stating that the animals originate from a monitored herd.
b. Non-Accredited Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
    i. All cervidae shall originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past year.
    ii. The individual animals entering Illinois must be negative to two (2) additional TB tests conducted within 180 and 30 days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

RATITES: Ostriches, Emus, Rheas, Cassowaries and Kiwis

Illinois Ratites: There are no requirements governing the movement of ratites within Illinois.

Out-of-State Ratites

1. Individually identified by leg band or microchip.
2. Negative test for Avian Influenza within 10 days prior to entry onto the Fairgrounds.

Section 3
Animal Care, Drugs, Testing, Violations and Penalties

Exhibitors with questions regarding medications and/or eligibility are encouraged to contact the Illinois State Veterinarian at 217-782-4944 prior to administration of medication.

1. All exhibitors in any and all events described in this Premium Book acknowledge by their entry into such events that they have no constitutional or statutory right to participate or compete in such events. All exhibitors hereby expressly acknowledge that the procedures set forth in this Premium Book are the exclusive procedures and remedies concerning any disqualification. The Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations, settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the Fair.
2. Exhibitors and exhibitors' parents and/or legal guardians bear absolute responsibility for the care and custody of their animals. The use of drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by FDA is a violation of federal law.
3. The Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the right to disqualify any exhibitor whose animal tests positive for a drug, even if the exhibitor and the exhibitor's parents and/or legal guardian are unaware of any wrongdoing, did not administer the drug, or had no knowledge of the administration of the drug. Even if the source of the drug is unknown, the Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the right to disqualify the exhibitor.
4. If an exhibitor, their parent or legal guardian, or any other party providing care to the animal, administers any medication or drug to an animal prior to the Illinois State Fair, it is the exhibitor's sole responsibility to ensure that withdrawal times allow the animal to be slaughter eligible by the time it arrives at the fairgrounds. The elimination time (the time it takes for no drug residue to be found in the system) is generally longer than the labeled withdrawal period for most approved drugs.
5. The Illinois Department of Agriculture has the right to examine and/or test any animal (deceased or living), feed, liquids, or equipment at any time. The Illinois Department of Agriculture may sample an animal's blood, urine, milk, saliva, and/or tissue. Any samples taken for testing become the property of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Samples may be collected, stored, and tested in any manner the Illinois Department of Agriculture deems appropriate. Positive test results may be made public.
6. The Illinois Department of Agriculture may impound any animal for testing. Refusing such tests shall be cause for disqualification. Any animal tested at the Illinois State Fair is subject to being detained at the expense of the exhibitor until the Illinois Department of Agriculture receives final test results.
7. The drug test results of the testing laboratories are final and binding upon the exhibitor and the exhibitor's parents and/or legal guardians.
8. Violations:
    a. <u>Drug Administration:</u> It is a violation if any medication or drug is administered to an animal after it has arrived on the State Fairgrounds without the supervision of the official State Fair Veterinarian. If an animal requires treatment while on the fairgrounds, only the Official State Fair Veterinarian is allowed to administer a medication or drug to the animal. Animals administered a medication or drug by the Official State Veterinarian having a reported withdrawal and/or elimination time period beyond the show date will be automatically disqualified from the competition.
    b. <u>Unapproved Drug Use:</u> It is a violation if a market animal tests "positive" (not a

quantitative test) for any drug that has not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for such type of animal. However, it shall not be a violation of this subsection if the exhibitor discloses the drug specifically as follows: the exhibitor provides to the Illinois State Fair, within 24 hours of check-in, the Illinois Department of Agriculture AMDUCA form properly completed by the veterinarian that prescribed the non-FDA-approved drug for the animal. It shall also not be a violation of this subsection if the State Fair Veterinarian prescribes a non-FDA-approved drug for an animal during the Illinois State Fair and completes the AMDUCA form. The AMDUCA form is available by contacting the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Although the preceding paragraph allows for certain use of non-FDA-approved drugs, please be aware that federal law (21 C.F.R. § 530.41) prohibits the following list of drugs, families of drugs, and substances for extra label animal uses. Therefore, notwithstanding the above paragraph, it is a violation with an increased penalty, including notification to the relevant authorities, if a market animal tests "positive" (not a quantitative test) for any of the following:

i. Chloramphenicol.
ii. Clenbuterol.
iii. Diethylstilbestrol (DES).
iv. Dimetridazole.
v. Ipronidazole.
vi. Other nitroimidazoles.
vii. Furazolidone.
viii. Nitrofurazone.
ix. Sulfonamide drugs in lactating dairy cattle (except approved use of
x. sulfadimethoxine, sulfabromomethazine, and sulfaethoxypyridazine).
xi. Fluoroquinolones.
xii. Glycopeptides.
xiii. Phenylbutazone in female dairy cattle 20 months of age or older; and
xiv. Cephalosporins (not including cephapirin) in cattle, swine, chickens, or turkeys:
    1. For disease prevention purposes;
    2. At unapproved doses, frequencies, durations, or routes of administration; or
    3. If the drug is not approved for that species and production class.

c. Violative Residue Limit (Tolerance): It is a violation if a test result indicates the presence of a drug, additive, or contaminant that exceeds a residue limit (tolerance) set by the FDA and applied by the FSIS.
d. Unethical Fitting and Grooming Practices: It is a violation if an animal evidences air pumping or the presence of inappropriate substances to alter conformation. Methods such as stomach pumping to induce artificial fill, performing surgical and/or non-surgical procedures to alter the animal's configuration or the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or unethical fitting are grounds for disqualification. The following generally accepted management practices are allowed: hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching and docking tails.
e. Falsification of Entries or Records: It is a violation to falsify or alter official entries, records, or registrations of animals.
f. Approaching a Judge: It is a violation for any individual, except Illinois Department of Agriculture personnel, to approach a judge during a show. Further, it is a violation to interfere with a judge in the performance of his/her duty or to refuse the awards

designated by a judge.

9. Penalties: In the event of a violation, the exhibitor and animal shall be disqualified. The Illinois Department of Agriculture will provide the disqualified exhibitor with a Notice of Disqualification setting forth the specific reasons for the disqualification. The exhibitor of the disqualified animal shall be subject to the following penalties:
    a. If exhibitor's first disqualification:
        i. Forfeiture of all monetary awards including sale proceeds associated with the exhibitor for the current State Fair. The exhibitor also forfeits the rights to any product resulting therefrom.
        ii. Return of all trophies and non-monetary awards associated with the exhibitor for the current State Fair.
        iii. Forfeiture of all titles associated with the exhibitor for the current State Fair.
        iv. A ban from competing in any competitive event at the Illinois State Fair for the following year, unless the animal is disqualified for testing positive for a drug, family of drugs, or substances prohibited by 21 C.F.R. § 530.41, in which case the ban shall be for the lifetime of the exhibitor.
    b. If exhibitor's second or subsequent disqualification:
        i. All of the penalties above in 9(a), except the exhibitor shall be subject to a ban from competing in any competitive event at the Illinois State Fair for the following three (3) years, unless the animal is disqualified for testing positive for a drug, family of drugs, or substances prohibited by 21 C.F.R. § 530.41, in which case the ban shall be for the lifetime of the exhibitor.
10. Appeal of Disqualification: A disqualified exhibitor shall have ten (10) days following the receipt of the Notice of Disqualification to file a Petition with the Director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The procedures set forth in 8 Illinois Administrative Code 1, SUBPART C shall govern the process of filing and considering a Petition from a disqualified exhibitor.
11. If a Grand Champion or Grand Champion Land of Lincoln animal is disqualified, the Reserve Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Land of Lincoln will be elevated to the respective designation. Disqualified animal photos and designations shall not be used in any advertising or promotional activities following the State Fair.

Sick, Non-Ambulatory and Deceased Animal Policy

12. The Illinois Department of Agriculture is fully committed to animal wellness and care principles and ensuring the proper treatment of all animal exhibits. Therefore, sick animals shall not be exhibited because of the risk to the animal, other animals, the exhibitor, other persons, and the integrity of competitions. The Illinois Department of Agriculture Management, Department Superintendents, State of Illinois Veterinarians, and their respective designees, may prohibit an animal from showing and may require an animal to be sent to quarantine or leave the fairgrounds on the basis of animal health and care concerns.
13. Upon arrival at the State Fairgrounds, all Livestock Exhibitors irrevocably consent to emergency medical care that may be needed, in the opinion of Department staff or Department-contracted veterinary care providers, to preserve an animal's life or prevent extreme suffering.
    a. Emergency medical care can include, but is not limited to, medical practices and procedures, treatments, administration of medications, surgery, transportation, and euthanasia.
    b. Exhibitors and any person affiliated with them hereby waive any claim related to emergency medical care and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Illinois State Fair, Illinois Department of Agriculture, the

State of Illinois, Department contractors, and their agents, officers, and employees, from all claims and suits including court costs, attorney's fees, and other expenses related to emergency medical care.

i. If The Exhibitor or owner identified on the entry form is unreachable after reasonable efforts to make contact, and
ii. The Department staff or Department-contracted veterinary care provider determines the animal's health is in danger and delaying treatment would be detrimental to the animal's life, or that the animal is in extreme pain,
iii. then the Department staff or Department-contracted veterinary care provider is expressly authorized to perform any emergency medical care.

14. Upon entry to the Illinois State Fairgrounds only the official State Fair Veterinarians (or designee) may administer any medications or treatments externally or internally to animals on the Fairgrounds. It is a violation if any medication or drug is administered to an animal without the supervision of the official State Fair Veterinarian. 'Treatment' includes any care provided to an animal using a device, medication, or substance, therapeutic or otherwise. It includes but is not limited to pulsing electromagnetic field therapy, percussive massage therapy, and use of a Theragun or similar-type device. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to confer with the State Fair Veterinarians and superintendent of their animal's class prior to taking any action if the Exhibitor has a question about whether that action constitutes a treatment.
15. Notification to the State Veterinarian shall be completed by the attending official veterinarian and signed by the exhibitor or their guardian. Within 2 hours of treatment, or as soon as practical thereafter, the State Veterinarian shall electronically report all performed treatments to the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
16. No animals can be unloaded that are non-ambulatory (i.e. downer) or unable to walk off the vehicle under their own power. The exception to this policy will be unloading the animal for euthanizing and disposing of the animal. If an animal becomes non-ambulatory after arrival at the Illinois State Fairgrounds, the following policy will be strictly enforced:
    a. The owner shall immediately notify the Department Superintendent.
    b. The Department Superintendent shall immediately notify the State Veterinarian, General Livestock Superintendent, and Competitive Events Office about the animal in question and the circumstances.
    c. The official Illinois State Fair Veterinarian, Department Superintendent, General Livestock Superintendent, Competitive Events Office staff, and owner (or representative) will consult to determine the best course of action with primary focus on the animal's well-being. If euthanasia is determined to be the best option, this will be at the owner's expense.
    d. Livestock that becomes non-ambulatory after arriving at the Illinois State Fairgrounds must be disposed of or removed for treatment within 12 hours of discovery or receiving notice of the animal's condition. If the animal is treatable and the State Veterinarian and/or their designee will allow, the owner must remove that animal from the Fairgrounds (at the owner's expense) within the 12-hour period.
    e. If an animal dies while at the Illinois State Fair, the animal's owner(s) shall immediately notify the Department Superintendent, who shall notify the General Livestock Superintendent and Competitive Events Office who shall contact the State Veterinarian. Fairgrounds staff will assist in loading the carcass into a vehicle for removal or to an appropriate holding area. In all instances, the Department Superintendent and General Livestock Superintendent must be present to assist in coordinating the removal of the carcass.

f. The Illinois Department of Agriculture reserves the right to examine and/or test any animal that dies on the fairgrounds, including having a necropsy performed. If a necropsy is performed, the Department of Agriculture will bear the cost.

Ethical Care and Fitting of Animals

17. The Illinois State Fair provides a showcase for Illinois agriculture, highlighting the highest quality livestock, commodities and products through fair, unbiased and educational competitive events. Therefore, livestock exhibitors are held to a high standard of stewardship, integrity and ethics in each and every aspect of the care and exhibiting of animals. By making entries in the Illinois State Fair, exhibitors certify they have read the contents of this section of the premium book and agree to abide by all applicable rules and guidelines associated with the ethical care and exhibiting of animals, including specific rules relating to the administration of drugs to animals. Failure to do so could result in immediate disqualification from entered events, loss of entry fees and other identified penalties.
    a. Specifically, ethical care includes the following daily and ongoing duties:
        i. Knowing how to properly handle and treat your animals and acting accordingly.
        ii. Observing your animals
        iii. Treating your animals humanely at all times.
        iv. Providing safe and humane housing for your animals that protects them from the weather and any hazards that could result in injuries, pain, or disease.
        v. Transporting your animals in a manner that will avoid unnecessary stress or chance of injury.
        vi. Being gentle and patient with animals.
        vii. Providing adequate amounts of good quality and wholesome food and water.
        viii. Keeping your animals, pens and stalls clean.
        ix. Protecting your animal's health through implementing disease prevention strategies, such as following proper vaccination protocols and quickly responding to any change in the health status of your animal.
        x. Securing veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering.
    b. Ethical behavior does not include:
        i. Striking, tormenting, overworking, starving, or abusing animals in any manner.
        ii. Abandoning any animal.
        iii. Using animal drugs in violation of this premium book.
        iv. Turning in false paperwork about an animal's age, breed, weight, ownership, identity, or more.
        v. Illegally changing the appearance of an animal.
        vi. Exhibiting deceitful, disrespectful, or discourteous behavior toward other exhibitors or show staff.

SECTION 4
FIRE PREVENTION RULES

The following restrictions are issued under advice of the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal. Representatives from the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal will be on the Fairgrounds to note violations and opportunities for improved compliance. The Department reserves the right to take any enforcement action deemed appropriate, including but not limited to: removal from the Fairgrounds of persons or property, moving of vehicles or equipment that is in violation without notice to the violator/owner, and/or referral to the relevant authorities for criminal investigation.

Flammable and Combustible Liquids:

1. Unattended heaters used inside buildings for animal or poultry production, or care shall be equipped with approved automatic devices to shut off the flow of gas to main burners, and pilots, if used, in the event of flame extinguishment or combustion failure.
2. Flammable liquids shall be prohibited in barns and indoors. Exceptions include paints, insecticides and veterinary medicine that shall not exceed five gallons in any one barn or room.
3. Storage of gasoline, kerosene and other flammable or combustibles should be based on best practices and information from relevant authorities, including qualified trades personnel and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Relevant legal authorities include: the State Fair At (20 ILCS 210) & its administrative rules at 8 IAC 270; the Illinois Fire Investigation Act (425 ILCS 25) & administrative rules at 41 IAC 100; The Gasoline Storage Act (430 ILCS 15) & its administrative rules at 41 IAC 160 & 41 IAC 180, and; Liquefied Petroleum Gas Regulation Act (430 ILCS 5) & its administrative rules at 41 IAC 200.

Barns:

4. Smoking is prohibited in all barns and buildings.
5. Portable heating and cooking appliances are prohibited in barns. Further, cooking via grills or open flame fires is prohibited in the barns.
6. No unauthorized extension cords from barns, stalls, and poles to campers, motor homes, or other electrical devices outside the barns will be allowed.
7. Sleeping is prohibited in lofts, hay or straw storage areas, or where combustible materials are located.
8. Aisles shall be maintained clear of obstruction at all times.
9. Access to fire exits and fire extinguishing equipment shall not be blocked.
10. Vehicles, including golf carts, are prohibited in barns at all times. Exceptions include State Fair Personnel and Grounds vehicles which may pass through buildings for cleaning and maintenance.
11. Only reasonable hay and straw storage shall be allowed in stalls and lofts.

Decorations and Trim:

12. Draperies, curtains, hanging decorations and other similar furnishings shall be flame resistant as demonstrated by passing both the small- and large-scale test of NAPA 701, Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Flame-Resistant Textiles and Films -1991 edition. Material not complying with this provision will be ordered removed. Furnishings or decorations of an explosive or highly flammable nature shall not be used.

Housekeeping:

13. All fire lanes shall be kept free of vehicles and storage. Vehicles shall not park within 15 feet of fire hydrants, fire hose stations, fire reporting stations, building doors or sprinkler system connections.
14. Booths, railings, fencing, displays, etc., shall not block or interfere with aisles, stairs, entrances, or exits in any building, tent, grandstand or other occupiable structure.

Fireworks:

15. The display, sale and/or use of fireworks, as defined in Illinois law, is prohibited except as authorized in the Illinois Pyrotechnic Use Act.

Electric Lights and Power:

16. No items shall be attached to or hung from electrical wiring. All extension cords, or pendant wires, in temporary structures, tents or in the open shall be rubber-covered cords.
17. No wiring shall be laid on the ground or on the floor, of any permanent or temporary structure, tent or booth. Electric wiring shall not be fastened to or draped over fencing. Where installations require wiring to be placed on or over fencing the wiring must be secured to a non-conducting surface such as a 1” x 2” board.