

# GENERAL INFORMATION, RULES AND REGULATIONS

## GATE ADMISSION FEES

All persons, including exhibitors, must obtain annual passes or pay daily entrance fees to enter the fairgrounds. General admission charges will begin on Thursday, August 7, 2014.

## ALL PASSES

Season Pass: Non-Exhibitor .....\$10.00  
Season Pass: Exhibitor .....\$ 7.00  
Season Pass: Children 2-6 years old .....\$ 3.00

## DAILY CHARGES

Daily Pass (age 7 & up) .....\$ 3.00  
Children (age 2-6) .....\$ 1.00  
Children under 2 .....FREE  
Parking .....FREE  
Grandstand .....\$ Varies by event

## CAMPING FEES:

\$20 week for non-electric  
\$30 week for electric (limited availability, so first come first serve)

## ENTRY FEES

Entry/processing fees for all Junior Fair exhibitors will be \$0.50/class (premium only classes). Junior Fair exhibitors must comply with the following age/grade requirements in order to exhibit in the Junior Fair: FFA members may show until age 21; 4-H and all other junior groups may show until Grade 13 (determined by their respective school/home school). There will be **NO** entry/processing fee assessed to Open Class exhibits.

## ENTRIES

1. **Eligibility:** The Junior Fair divisions are open to all youth who are members in good standing of a Rusk County youth organization (4-H, FFA, Scouting programs, or any other recognized youth program under adult leadership with an education program). The Open Class divisions are open to residents of Rusk County.
2. **Entry blanks:** Fill out an official entry blank – include the correct department, class, lot number, and description. Entry blanks are available in each fair book, as well as in the Extension office.
3. **Due Date:** All entry blanks are due by July 9, 2014 or earlier. NO CHANGES will be accepted after July 18, 2014.
4. **Assistance:** Entries can be turned in to the UW-Extension office and fees paid on Tuesday, July 8, 2014, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or Wednesday, July 9, 2014, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you are unable to bring forms on these days please mail forms, with any fees, to: Rusk County Junior Fair, 311 Miner Ave E, Suite S140, Ladysmith, WI 54848. Any questions may be directed to the Fair Coordinator at 715-532-2225.
5. Preprinted tags for all non-animal exhibits will be available at the Junior Fair Coordinator's Office in the Sr/Youth Building at the fairgrounds on Monday of the week of the fair. Please pick up all tags and notify the office of any errors. Superintendents may make changes; however, we would like to correct them in the office immediately. Please be sure to keep the entry tag stubs to claim your exhibits after the fair. Superintendents will pick up tags for ALL POULTRY & RABBITS and put them on their respective cages.

6. The Junior Fair will use diligence to ensure the safety of animals and that exhibits are not lost, stolen, or damaged, but the exhibitors assume the liability of such potential loss when entering exhibits in the fair. All exhibitors shall indemnify Rusk County Junior Fair from and against all claims and demands, costs, charges, and expenses which the exhibitor may occur or suffer by reason of any exhibit not properly guarded and/or supervised. Exhibitors of animals, moving machinery, and other potentially hazardous or harmful exhibits are responsible for guarding and supervising their exhibits and protecting the public from coming in contact with such exhibits in such a way that may cause harm.

## EXHIBIT INFORMATION

7. Bring your exhibits to the Rusk County Fairgrounds on the appropriate entry day. **Check the front of the fair book for individual department check-in and judging times.** Always check up-to-date judging schedules at the fairgrounds when you arrive.
8. Junior Fair and Open Class exhibitors are limited to one entry per lot number.
9. Place exhibit tag on each entry.
10. **Animals:** Barns will open Wednesday at 4 p.m. ONLY those livestock exhibits in Departments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are allowed on the grounds on Wednesday night. The walk-through veterinarian check will be at 5 p.m. Thursday. **Exhibits must remain on display until Sunday at 3 p.m.** except dogs, cats, small pets, and some exotic animals. **Livestock project sale animals can leave at 2 p.m. on Sunday** and all other exhibits can leave at 3 p.m.
11. **Release: All exhibits are released at 3 p.m. Sunday.** You are expected to pick up your exhibits at that time. Anyone removing exhibits prior to 3 p.m. on Sunday will forfeit all premiums. DATCP rules state that state aid may not be paid on exhibits removed from the fairgrounds before 3 p.m. of the last day of the fair.
12. If proper housing cannot be provided by the Junior Fair for certain species of animals, it is expected that these animals will be removed from the fairgrounds immediately following judging. These include, but are not limited to: dogs, cats, small pets, reptiles, emus, ostriches, and all pet birds. Animals cannot be housed in personal trailers.
13. **Decorations:** All barns will be open Monday, August 4, 2014, at 4 p.m. for decorating. Exhibitors setting up the multi-purpose barn on Saturday may decorate that day – *multi-purpose barn only.*
14. All Junior Fair and Open Class exhibits must be produced, manufactured or owned by the person entering them. All canned goods must be made after last year's fair. Fancy work may only be shown once at the fair. If it returns a second year, no premium will be given. All crops must be grown in the most recent season feasible for the crop.
15. If it is proven that any exhibitor made a false statement about an animal or article exhibited, he or she will not receive a premium on that exhibit and could lose exhibiting privileges in later years.
16. **Premiums awarded:** First premium – Blue Ribbon; Second premium – Red Ribbon; Third premium – White Ribbon and Fourth premium – Pink Ribbon. Premium stickers will be placed on the entry tag as soon as awarded by the judge. All champions will receive ribbons. Best in show ribbons, where sponsored, will be

awarded only at the discretion of the judge. All premium ribbons can be picked up on Sunday when picking up exhibit.

17. The Rusk County Junior Fair reserves the right to refuse any exhibits that do not conform to state regulations. The Junior Fair also reserves the right to limit entries due to stall space in all livestock departments. Decisions will be made as soon as possible after entry day and exhibitors contacted.

### JUDGING

18. Exhibitors **MUST** inform themselves when their item or animal will be judged; however, *no exhibitor will be eliminated from competition due to a conflict in show schedules. Parents are NOT allowed to exhibit any item or animal for their youth.* Any exceptions due to a death in the family, injury, etc. must be brought to the attention of the fair coordinator.
19. **Face-to-Face:** Departments being judged Face-To-Face are: Dept. 10, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 33, and 34.
20. **Danish:** Departments being judged Danish are: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 32, and 35.

### LIVESTOCK

21. Exhibitors must care for and show their own livestock. Youth are expected to care for their animals during the entire fair. Any youth not personally caring for their own livestock will forfeit all premiums. Each exhibitor must have access to a fork and wheelbarrow. Guidelines for manure removal will be posted and displayed prior to the fair.
22. Livestock exhibitors, including poultry and rabbits, must inform themselves when their animal will be judged. While we expect stock to be in the show ring promptly after being called, there are conflicts that may inevitably arise. If there is a conflict, exhibitors are expected to contact their superintendent who will notify the Junior Fair Coordinator.
23. All livestock exhibitors must have the proper health papers in order and checked. All health papers must accompany the trucker. Exhibitors of purebred livestock must have the registration papers available for the superintendent on entry day and the judge on show day. Please familiarize yourself with individual livestock project health requirements.
24. **Logos:** No clothing may be worn in the show ring advertising a farm or company. Those logos related to 4-H, FFA, or other youth programs may be worn.
25. **Removal:** A certified veterinarian is the only one who can remove an animal other than the Junior Fair Board and the Rusk County Ag and Extension Committee.

### SUPERINTENDENTS

26. **Duties:**
  - a. Prior to the fair, attend required training provided by UW-Extension
  - b. Pick up trophies, ribbons, and other materials from the Fair Office
  - c. Receiving and organizing displays
  - d. Checking health and registration papers
  - e. Clerking for judges
  - f. Assisting, but not influencing judges
  - g. Seeing that the judges sheets are properly filled out and signed
  - h. Monitor and report violations of the Rusk County Junior Fair Code of Conduct documenting verbal warnings
27. Judging sheets are to be picked up at the fair office and returned to the office as soon as possible after the show.

Judging sheets for 2-day shows should remain in the office overnight for safekeeping. Judges must sign affidavits for each class judged. No-shows should be noted on the judging sheets as allowed.

28. Superintendents may recruit and supervise their own assistants.
29. **All superintendents must be available in their department on entry day, show day and release day.**
30. Superintendents are responsible for supervision in their departments. Any offenses by an exhibitor should be reported to the Junior Fair Coordinator. The Junior Fair Board and the Rusk County Ag and Extension Committee have the final say in any disciplinary action against an exhibitor. No superintendent has the right to remove or prevent an exhibitor from showing at the Rusk County Junior Fair.

### JUDGES

31. Judges shall report to the fair office before starting to work. A copy of the fair book will be made available to each judge well in advance of the fair, and the judges are encouraged to contact the Junior Fair Coordinator with any questions.
32. Judges must be listed with DATCP by July 1 of the fair year.
33. Judges shall announce the animals or articles entitled to a premium and may also make special mention of any meritorious animals or articles not receiving the top placing in a class.
34. Any exhibitors or friends or relatives of any exhibitors who interfere with a judge or superintendent in their work in any way will have their exhibit disqualified from receiving any award or premium.
35. No animal shall be excluded on account of having taken premiums at previous fairs.
36. No person shall be a judge in any class where he or she is an exhibitor, nor can any two persons be judges of each other's animals or articles.
37. Premiums will not be awarded when the judge feels the article or animal is not worthy, even though there is no competition. Judges should be aware that giving a First placing implies championship quality in the competition. Naming Champions or Best in Show winners in any department is at the discretion of the judge.
38. Comments and suggestions, along with judges' observations, are welcomed by the Junior Fair Board and The Rusk County Ag and Extension Committee. Written comments or discussions with the judges are helpful for determining future procedures.

### GROUND RULES

39. The Junior Fair Board and the Rusk County Maintenance Department crew are in charge of the grounds. Police will be on hand day and night to preserve order and protect property. Additional security may also be on hand during the week.
40. Camping can be requested by any exhibitor; however, priority will be given to those exhibiting in Departments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11.
41. **ANYONE UNDER 18 MUST HAVE A LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE ADULT ON THE GROUNDS IN ORDER FOR HIM OR HER TO STAY OVERNIGHT. ADULTS MAY SUPERVISE A MAXIMUM OF 4 YOUTH FOR OVERNIGHT. ALL CHAPERONES MUST COMPLETE THE CHAPERONE FORM AND PRESENT IT TO THE JUNIOR FAIR COORDINATOR AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION.** Anyone under 18 planning to stay overnight to care for animals must register, along

with the adult, with the office. Security people will have a list of those belonging on the grounds overnight.

**Anyone not approved after midnight will be removed from the grounds.**

42. Rules and hours will be posted in the barn area. **Barns will be closed to the public at 10 p.m. and it is expected that all exhibitors will be settled down and quiet no later than midnight.** Exhibitors must obey these rules or they may lose the privilege of remaining on the grounds overnight. It is understood that some dairy exhibitors must milk their animals during the night. Those exhibitors showing dairy cows who need to milk after midnight should notify the office when registering to stay overnight. A list of those youth will be given to those superintendents and security on the grounds at night.
43. Any exhibitors with tents or trailers must put them in the marked-off area specified by the Junior Fair. Please register with the office before parking your trailer. Parking spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis. **REGISTER EARLY** for the best spots. No trailers will be allowed on the grounds before 4 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2014. **Camping fees must be paid in order to reserve a camping spot.**

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

44. Commercial exhibit space must be reserved through the Rusk County Junior Fair. If space is available, commercial exhibits may be accepted up until entry day. Food vendors and some other concessions may have to be approved by the carnival, in the event a carnival is present. Contact Junior Fair Coordinator at 715-532-2225 for details.
45. Fines may be levied on anyone climbing fences to enter without purchasing a pass. Local police will deal with these situations.
46. **Local ordinances dealing with liquor, disruptive behavior and curfew for minors will be enforced by the police, security people and the Junior Fair Board. Alcohol is not allowed on the fairgrounds except in the beer tent. Carry-ins are not allowed and will be confiscated. Campers are not allowed to have any alcoholic beverages around camping areas. Any camper failing to follow this guideline will lose all premiums and future camping privileges at the fair.**
47. **NO bicycles will be allowed on the fairgrounds during the Junior Fair.**
48. **NO dogs allowed on the fairgrounds during the Junior Fair.**

#### 2014 Chapter ATCP 160

#### COUNTY AND DISTRICT FAIRS

##### Subchapter I — General Requirements and Definitions

**ATCP 160.01 Definitions.** As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Breed class" and "breeding class" mean a specific breed within a class such as Holstein in the dairy class.
- (2) "Class" means a grouping in which exhibits may be entered, including an animal breed or age group for animal exhibits; a type of produce, crop or food; or a specific age, age group or educational grade level of exhibitor.
- (3) "Danish judging system" means a judging system that allows for multiple first, second, third and fourth class selections as provided in s. [ATCP 160.91 \(4\) \(b\)](#).
- (4) "Department" as it relates to the organizational structure of a fair, means an animal species, production group, or other principal classification of exhibits. As used in any other context, "department" means the state of Wisconsin department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.

(5) "Division" means one of 3 exhibitor group classifications for a fair and is limited to junior division, open division and senior citizens division.

(6) "Entry class" means a class in which the fair allows exhibitors to submit entries.

(7) "Exotic domestic animal" means an animal that is not a common farm animal.

(8) "Lot" or "lot number" means the numerical designation assigned by a local fair for a specific category of exhibits within a class.

(9) "Market class" means a class that includes animals of a certain weight for the breed class that can be sold for slaughter.

(10) "Premium" means a monetary prize that a county or district fair awards to an exhibitor after judging all competing exhibits in the class to which the premium pertains.

(11) "Regular judging system" means a judging system that allows for one first, second, third and fourth class selection as provided in s. [ATCP 160.91 \(4\) \(c\)](#).

(12) "Self determined project" means a project that meets all of the following criteria:

(a) It is approved by the fair board.

(b) Its subject matter is related to any of the junior fair departments 9, 10, 13 to 16, 18, or 20 to 29.

(c) It does not fall into a defined entry class within any department.

(d) It is carried out by a 4-H member enrolled in a designated 4-H project or alternative project that follows 4-H guidelines, or by a member of another youth organization that does equivalent work.

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1990, No. 419](#), eff. 12-1-90; cr. (5), [Register, July, 1995, No. 475](#), eff. 8-1-95; [CR 11-037](#): renum. (1) to (5) to be (2), (4), (5), (8), (10), cr. (1), (3), (6), (7), (9), (11), (12) [Register April 2012 No. 676](#), eff. 5-1-12.

#### ATCP 160.02 Premium requirements.

##### (1) GENERAL.

(a) The state aid authorized by s. [93.23 \(1\)](#), Stats., may be paid on net premiums paid by a county or district fair. The department may withhold state premium aid from any fair that does not enforce animal health provisions under ch. [ATCP 10](#) that are applicable to animals exhibited at the fair. State aid will be paid only on premiums actually paid by bank check or draft.

(b) No deductions may be made from premium money won by an exhibitor. Premiums may, however, be withheld where exhibition rules established by the fair association are violated. A written statement of violation shall be submitted to the department to justify action taken by a local fair.

(c) Premiums offered shall be definite in amount. No decrease or increase in published premiums may be made because of the financial condition or the organization or for any other reason.

(d) State aid may be paid on no more than 2 premiums awarded an exhibitor under one premium or lot number in open division individual livestock classes, except poultry and rabbits, and no more than one premium in all other classes, including poultry and rabbits.

(e) No county or district fair may receive state aid for a premium awarded to any exhibitor in the open division if that exhibitor entered the same exhibit in the junior division at the same county or district fair. This paragraph does not apply if the exhibit was entered in the junior division only as part of a herd group, carcass class or performance class.

(f) No state aid will be paid on the cost of ribbons, cups, trophy prizes or entertainment contests.

##### (2) PREMIUM LISTS.

(a) Premiums for which state aid is requested by county and district fairs shall conform with the uniform premium list and other requirements set forth in these rules. Fairs

requesting state aid for net premiums shall submit to the department a printed copy of the premium list used at the fair, as required under s. [ATCP 160.92 \(3\) \(c\)](#).

(b) The officers of each fair shall mail a copy of the premium list to other associations, societies, or boards conducting a fair in Wisconsin upon request.

(c) Sections [ATCP 160.01](#) through [160.07](#) and [160.91](#) shall be published in premium books used by a fair for which state aid is requested.

**(3) ENTRY FEES.**

(a) A county or district fair may charge an exhibitor an entry fee. The entry fee may not exceed 10% of the sum of all premiums offered to exhibitors in the same class for which the entry fee is charged. In lieu of an entry fee, a county or district fair may charge stall rents for horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, poultry, rabbits or pets.

(b) Exhibitors in department 35 shall not be required to purchase an exhibitor's ticket. Any other exhibitor may be required, if no entry fee is charged, to purchase an exhibitor's season ticket at a price not to exceed that charged for a non-exhibitor's season ticket.

**(4) SPLIT FAIR DATES.**

(a) For purposes of this subsection, "split fair dates" occur when a fair organization judges exhibits or contests and pays premiums at more than one time or at more than one location during the calendar year.

(b) Except as provided under par. (c), the department may not pay state aid for a fair having split dates unless the department gives advance written approval for a split fair. The department may approve split fair dates only if the fair organization justifies the split dates based on extreme hardship. If the department approves split dates, all blue ribbon winners shall repeat their demonstrations or exhibits at the regular fair dates unless the department grants a hardship exemption. An exhibitor may use audio-visual media, still photography or an educational display to repeat a demonstration or exhibit.

(c) The department may pay state aid for the following exhibits or contests in a fair having split dates, regardless of whether the department approves those split dates in advance:

1. Clothing revue.
2. Demonstrations.
3. Favorite foods revue.
4. Dogs.
5. Small animals.
6. Rocketry.
7. Shooting sports.
8. Other exhibits and contests that are similar to those identified in subsd. [1.](#) to [7.](#)

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1990, No. 419](#), eff. 12-1-90; r. and recr. (1) (e) and am. (3) (a), [Register, July, 1995, No. 475](#), eff. 8-1-95; r. and recr. (4), [Register, November, 2000, No. 539](#), eff. 12-1-00; correction in (2) (a) made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7., Stats., [Register, November, 2000, No. 539; CR 08-075](#); am. (1) (a) [Register April 2009 No. 640](#), eff. 5-1-09; [CR 11-037](#); am. (1) (a), (3) (a), (b), cr. (4) (c) 8. [Register April 2012 No. 676](#), eff. 5-1-12.

**ATCP 160.03 Exhibition requirements.** A county or district fair shall meet all of the exhibition requirements of this section to be eligible for state premium aid.

(1) No fair society or other organization sponsoring a county or district fair shall require an exhibitor to become a member of the organization in order to enter an exhibit at the fair, nor shall the sponsoring organization make any deduction from an exhibitor's premium as a donation to the fair society, or require an exhibitor in any other way to make a donation to the society.

(2) State aid may not be approved for out-of-state exhibits or for separate classes of local and non-local exhibitors. Aid may not be approved for payment of

premiums to an exhibitor having an out-of-state address but claiming Wisconsin residency unless the fair secretary provides the department with an affidavit that the exhibitor's residence is geographically located within the state.

(3) State aid may be paid only on articles or animals actually on display in an exhibit building or actually shown in the show ring on regular fair dates unless approval for split fair dates is obtained under s. [ATCP 160.02 \(4\)](#). State aid may not be paid on Dairy Herd Improvement Association records, transportation aid, production contests or other special educational exhibits unless prior approval is obtained under s. [ATCP 160.04 \(8\)](#).

(4) State aid may not be paid on exhibits removed from the fairgrounds before 4 p.m. of the last day of the fair, or such other later time as may be specified by the fair, without prior approval of the department. Authority for earlier removal may be granted by the department in case of meat animal sales or other special classes, if requested before the beginning of the fair. In other hardship cases, approval may be granted by the local fair. Exhibits in dog obedience and small animal pet classes may be judged during the regular fair but are not required to remain present during the entire fair. The local fair may prescribe the length of time junior fair exhibitors of horses shall keep their animals on the grounds.

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1990, No. 419](#), eff. 12-1-90. **ATCP 160.04 Junior fair division; general.**

(1) In the junior fair division, the department may pay state aid on prizes offered to exhibitors who are under 20 years of age on January 1 of the current fair year. A county or district fair board may establish subgroups within a junior fair entry class based on the exhibitor's grade in school. The department may not pay state aid on prizes for club parades, club floats, song contests, or a project which is not an exhibit or demonstration at the fair.

(2) All exhibitors in the junior fair division shall be members of 4-H, FFA, a scouting program, a breed group, or another recognized youth organization under adult leadership that has an education program appropriate to that organization and is approved by the fair board.

(3) Exhibits in the junior fair shall be the product of the exhibitor's own labor. An exhibit may include a study project, merit project or other special project, a skill area, or a supervised occupational experience in which the exhibitor is regularly enrolled, provided that the fair board approves the project, skill area, or supervised occupational experience as an exhibit.

(4) State aid may not be used to award more than one premium to any exhibitor in any department in the junior fair division, except that:

(a) A premium may be awarded to each member of a group that collectively owns and enters a livestock exhibit in departments one to 5 of subch. [IV](#).

(b) An exhibitor may receive a separate premium for showmanship where authorized under subch. [IV](#).

(c) An exhibitor may receive more than one premium in a department for which additional premiums are specifically authorized under subch. [IV](#).

(5) Under subch. [IV](#), within each of the junior fair departments 9, 10, 13 to 16, 18, and 20 to 29, a fair board may establish one or more entry classes for self-determined projects that are related to that department. The fair board may establish class entry criteria, including student grade level criteria. Entry classes are open to 4-H members enrolled in a designated 4-H project or an alternative project that follows 4-H project guidelines, and to members of other youth organizations that do equivalent work and apply equivalent guidelines. Exhibits may be judged using the regular or Danish judging system. For each entry class, a fair board may pay first-place to fourth-place premiums at any of the following levels designated by the board:

(a) Premium level one: \$2.00, \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25.

(b) Premium level 2: \$2.50, \$2.25, \$2.00, \$1.75.

(c) Premium level 3: \$3.00, \$2.75, \$2.50, \$2.25.

(6) If 16 or more animals, items or articles are entered in any junior fair class, the class may be divided into 2 or more approximately equal groups according to weight, age or other identifying characteristic and each group judged as a class.

(7) Special educational exhibits may [be] established if the proposal is presented to the Wisconsin association of fairs before October 1 of the year preceding its proposed establishment and the exhibit is approved by the department.

(8) Within any junior fair department under subch. [IV](#), a county or district fair may establish special classes where none are specified under subch. [IV](#). Special classes may include classes for grade and crossbred females in the beef, swine, sheep and horse departments. Premiums for special classes created under this subsection shall be equal to premiums for comparable classes established in the same department under subch. [IV](#).

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1990, No. 419](#), eff. 12-1-90; am. (8), [Register, July, 1995, No. 475](#), eff. 8-1-95; am. (1), [Register, November, 2000, No. 539](#), eff. 12-1-00; reprinted to correct printing error in (1), [Register, June, 2001, No. 546](#); [CR 11-037](#): am. (title), (2), (3), r. and recr. (4), renum. (5) to be 160.80 (4) and am., cr. (5) [Register April 2012 No. 676](#), eff. 5-1-12.

#### **ATCP 160.05 Open division; general requirements.**

(1) The total maximum premiums set forth for all places in any open division livestock class, excluding poultry and rabbits, may be divided into premiums for a greater number of places, but the maximum premium offered for any additional place shall not be higher than the maximum for last place in the class.

(2) All animals in any open division class shall be owned by the exhibitor, except as provided in s. [ATCP 160.09](#).

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1990, No. 419](#), eff. 12-1-90; [CR 11-037](#): r. (2), renum. (3) to be (2) [Register April 2012 No. 676](#), eff. 5-1-12.

#### **ATCP 160.07 Classes; general requirements.**

(1) Classes may be combined if the number of entries in several single classes is insufficient. If any classes are combined, state aid shall be limited to the maximum total premiums listed for a single class of animals, items or articles in that department.

(2)

(a) Except as provided under par. (b), no county or district fair may receive state aid for premiums awarded for sexually intact male dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep, goats, swine or horses unless those animals are registered purebreds. Registered purebred status shall be documented by a certificate of registry from the appropriate breed association or society, or by a copy of the application for registration.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to dairy cattle exhibited at a county or district fair if a national breed association certifies that those dairy cattle are recorded in that breed association's qualified herd book which records the genealogy of that breed.

(3) Any animal entered as part of a group class may also be exhibited in a class for individual animals.

(4) Boars may not be entered as an exhibit in the swine department unless their tusks have been removed.

(5) The age of an animal, for purposes of determining its entry class under this chapter, shall be determined as of the opening day of the fair.

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1990, No. 419](#), eff. 12-1-90; renum. and am. (2) to be (2) (a) and cr. (2) (b), [Register, July,](#)

[1995, No. 475](#), eff. 8-1-95; [CR 11-037](#): cr. (5) [Register April 2012 No. 676](#), eff. 5-1-12.

## Animal Health Regulations for Fairs and Shows in Wisconsin: 2014 Season

*This is a summary of animal health requirements for fairs, shows and exhibitions only. 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 our website or contact us for current information.*

### General requirements for show organizers

**Fairs or exhibitions lasting more than 24 hours** must appoint a licensed veterinarian to inspect all livestock daily  
**Fairs or exhibitions lasting less than 24 hours** must have a licensed veterinarian or showchair person review all required records and test results to check for:

- ☐ Exhibitor's name and address
  - ☐ Animal identification (number, type, description)
  - ☐ Compliance with disease testing and other health requirements
  - ☐ Livestock premises number, if any, where animals originated
- Fair management must maintain records** for 5 years of:
- ☐ Exhibitors
  - ☐ Livestock premises numbers, if any
  - ☐ Animal identification

### Diseases

**Animals that show evidence of having contagious or infectious diseases** may be removed immediately, and may be quarantined or slaughtered.

**Bovine animals with ringworm, mange or scab** will be removed from the fair or exhibition premises, unless the veterinarian in charge finds they are incapable of transmitting disease.

### Cattle and bison

**Cattle from within Wisconsin** have no requirements for tests or health documents.

**Cattle from outside Wisconsin** must:

- ☐ Be accompanied by certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) documenting official animal ID and all required tests and certifications
- ☐ Have at least one form of official individual ID (including steers)
- ☐ Meet all of Wisconsin's normal requirements for import (see [http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Cattle\\_Bison](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Cattle_Bison))

#### **Acceptable animal IDs for all cattle from outside Wisconsin**

- ☐ 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)
- ☐ 15-digit "840" tags (visual or RFID)
- ☐ Manufacturer-coded RFID tag - 15-digit number with the first three digits in 900s
- ☐ American ID tag - 8 to 12-digit number prefaced with "USA"

#### **Brucellosis requirements for cattle from outside Wisconsin**

- ☐ Steers are exempt from any brucellosis test requirement

☐ Cattle from brucellosis-free states are exempt from brucellosis testing requirement  
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☐ Cattle from certified brucellosis-free herds in Class A states do not need brucellosis tests if the CVI has the certified herd number and the last test date

☐ All other cattle need negative brucellosis test within 30 days before entering Wisconsin

### **Tuberculosis requirements for cattle from outside Wisconsin**

Negative individual TB tests within 60 days before entering Wisconsin are required for cattle if they originate from:

☐ States or zones that are Modified Accredited Advanced states or that Wisconsin treats as MAA because they have had bovine TB cases

☐ Modified Accredited states (see section below for Michigan's Modified Accredited and Modified Accredited Advanced zones)

☐ States that do not recognize Wisconsin's TB-free status

☐ For requirements by state:

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Cattle\\_Bison](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Cattle_Bison)

### **Cattle from Michigan's TB Free Zone:**

☐ Need negative individual TB test within 60 days before arrival in Wisconsin for all animals

☐ Whole herd TB test and import permit not required

### **Cattle from Michigan's MA and MAA zones and other states with MA zones:**

☐ Need import permits

☐ Need negative whole-herd TB tests within 12 months before arrival in Wisconsin for all animals 1 year and older

☐ Need negative individual TB tests within 60 days before entering Wisconsin

☐ Must 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

**Cattle from Canada** must meet current federal requirements to enter the United States.

(See [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))

For information on obtaining an import permit:

☐ Online

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Permit\\_Request](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Permit_Request)

☐ Email [DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov](mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov)

☐ Call 608-224-4872

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Cattle\\_Bison](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Cattle_Bison).

## **Swine**

**Swine from within Wisconsin** need a Wisconsin intrastate movement certificate:

☐ Stating that the herd of origin was inspected on the farm within 30 days before the show and showed no signs of disease

☐ Including documentation of all required tests

**Swine from outside Wisconsin** need a certificate of veterinary inspection that includes the following: a statement that they have **not** received pseudorabies vaccinations, a statement of the PRRS status of the herd of origin (if known), and official identification number.

Acceptable methods of ID for swine are:

☐ USDA silver ear tag

☐ USDA 840 button ear tag

☐ Breed association tattoo

☐ An ear tag with the premises identification number and a unique identifier

☐ Ear notch (if the pig is a purebred and the notch is registered)

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Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Swine](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Swine).

## **Sheep and goats**

### **Sheep and goats from within Wisconsin:**

☐ If sexually intact, need official individual ID *at any age*

☐ If not sexually intact, need official individual ID if they are *12 months or older*

☐ Official ID may be scrapie ear tags, USDA 840 button ear tag, or breed association tattoo (as long as it is unique to that animal)

☐ Cannot have been exposed to scrapie if they are sexually intact

### **Sheep and goats from outside Wisconsin:**

☐ Need certificate of veterinary inspection and official individual ID: scrapie ear tag, USDA 840 button ear tag, or breed association tattoo (as long as it is unique to that animal)

☐ By federal rule, the CVI must also include: a statement by the issuing accredited or state or federal veterinarian that the animals were not exhibiting clinical signs associated with scrapie at the time of examination or an owner statement indicating whether the animal is or is not a scrapie-positive, suspect, high-risk or exposed animal and whether it originated in an infected, source, exposed, or noncompliant flock

### **Goats from Michigan's TB Modified Accredited Zone:**

☐ Need import permits

☐ Need negative whole-herd TB tests within 12 months before arrival in Wisconsin

☐ Need negative individual TB tests within 60 days before entering Wisconsin

☐ Must 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

For information on obtaining an import permit:

☐ Online

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Permit\\_Request](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Permit_Request)

☐ Email [DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov](mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov)

☐ Call 608-224-4872

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Sheep\\_Goats](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Sheep_Goats).

## **Equine**

**Equine animals from within Wisconsin** need

documentation of a negative EIA test done in 2014, which clearly identifies the animal by registration number, lip tattoo, freeze brand, or complete description. Documentation may be:

☐ Official test report VS 10-11, *or*

☐ USDA-approved electronic test form, *or*

☐ Global Vet Link EIA electronic form, *or*

☐ Certificate of veterinary inspection with the test results listed

### **Equine animals from outside Wisconsin need:**

- ☐ Certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI)
- ☐ Negative EIA test done in 2014, which clearly identifies the animal by registration number, lip tattoo, freeze brand, or complete description, and reported on the CVI

**Equines from Minnesota** are exempt from the CVI requirement if:

- ☐ Ownership does not change while the animal is in Wisconsin
- ☐ The animal remains in Wisconsin no longer than 7 days
- ☐ Proof of an EIA test in the current calendar year (2014) accompanies the animal

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### **Llamas, alpacas, guanacos**

**Llamas, alpacas and guanacos from within Wisconsin** have no requirements.

**Llamas, alpacas and guanacos from outside Wisconsin** must have a certificate of veterinary inspection and official animal ID. Official ID may be:

- ☐ Approved USDA ear tag number
- ☐ Microchip number
- ☐ Breed association registration number
- ☐ Breed association tattoo

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check [http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Llamas\\_Alpacas\\_Guanacos](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Llamas_Alpacas_Guanacos).

### **Exotic ruminants**

**Note:** *Exotic ruminants are ruminants that are not native to Wisconsin, and are not cervids – for example, vicuñas, camels, yaks, water buffalo, pronghorn antelope and giraffes.*

**Exotic ruminants from within Wisconsin** have no requirements.

**Exotic ruminants from outside Wisconsin** need an import permit and a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) with proof that they meet requirements for:

- ☐ *Bovine TB* – negative test required within 60 days before entry
- ☐ *Brucellosis* – negative test required within 30 days before entry

Please call 608-224-4872 beforehand to determine which TB test to use.

For information on obtaining an import permit:

- ☐ Online [http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Permit\\_Request](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Permit_Request)

☐ Email [DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov](mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov)

☐ Call 608-224-4872

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check [http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Exotic\\_Species](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Exotic_Species).

In addition, please contact your county and local municipality for any restrictions.

### **Poultry and waterfowl (Pigeons are not considered poultry for fairs and shows)**

**Poultry and waterfowl from within Wisconsin** need:

- ☐ A NPIP certificate stating that the birds originate from a U.S. pullorum-typhoid clean or NPIP affiliate flock, or

☐ A DATCP-issued certificate stating they are from a Wisconsin Tested or Associate Flock

or

☐ 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 *Mycoplasma gallisepticum*.

**Poultry and waterfowl from outside Wisconsin** need a certificate of veterinary inspection or equivalent (such as form VS 9-3) that states:

- ☐ They originate from a flock classified pullorum-typhoid clean under NPIP or an equivalent state program, or
- ☐ If they are sexually mature, that they have tested negative for pullorum-typhoid (and *Mycoplasma gallisepticum* for turkeys) within 90 days before arrival at the show. These birds also need wing or leg band ID. AH-FR-100-P (01/2014)

**Not required:**

- ☐ Import permit number

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Poultry](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Poultry)

### **Small animals: Dogs, domestic cats, and other household pets (ferrets, pet birds, rabbits, gerbils, guinea pigs, hamsters, domestic mice and rats)**

**Note:** *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.*

**Dogs from within Wisconsin** that are 5 months or older need proof of current rabies vaccination.

**Cats and other household pets from within Wisconsin** have no requirements.

**Dogs and cats from outside Wisconsin** 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

**Other household pets from outside Wisconsin** need certificates of veterinary inspection (CVIs) but have no testing or vaccination requirements.

**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).**

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Household\\_Pets](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Household_Pets).

### **Exotic small animals (any species not covered by "small animals" above), exotic large animals, and other wild animals**

**Note:** *Local jurisdictions may have requirements beyond the state requirements listed here.*

**Animals from within Wisconsin** do not have any requirements as long as they are legally possessed in Wisconsin.

**Animals from outside Wisconsin** generally have no testing or vaccination requirements, but do need:

- ☐ Certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI)
- ☐ Import permit number

**Note: Some animals may not be brought to Wisconsin.**

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 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. See <http://dnr.wi.gov>.

For information on obtaining an import permit:

☐ Online

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Permit\\_Request](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Permit_Request)

☐ Email [DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov](mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov)

☐ Call 608-224-4872

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Household\\_Pets](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Household_Pets). AH-FR-100-P (01/2014)

**Circus, rodeo, racing and menagerie animals**

**Note:** *Local jurisdictions may have requirements beyond the state requirements listed here.*

**Animals from within Wisconsin** must meet vaccination and testing requirements for their species. See these requirements earlier in this document.

**Animals from outside Wisconsin** need certificates of veterinary inspection and vaccinations and tests required for their species. See these requirements earlier in this document. They also need import permit numbers if they are:

☐ Circuses and individual circus acts

☐ Rodeo stock other than individual participants' horses

☐ Multi-species menageries (defined as any animals kept in a collection primarily for purposes of exhibition or competition)

☐ Petting zoos

They do not need import permit numbers if they are:

☐ Rodeo horses owned by individual participants

☐ Single-species groups

**Note: Some animals may not be brought to Wisconsin.**

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

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/captive/captive.htm>.

For information on obtaining an import permit:

☐ Online

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Permit\\_Request](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Permit_Request)

☐ Email [DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov](mailto:DATCPAnimalImports@wi.gov)

☐ Call 608-224-4872

Requirements are subject to change as conditions warrant.

For current information, check

[http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal\\_Movement/Circuses\\_Rodeos](http://datcp.wi.gov/Animals/Animal_Movement/Circuses_Rodeos).

**Guidelines for housing and managing animals****The State Veterinarian recommends that exhibitors:**

☐ Vaccinate breeding cattle against bovine viral diarrhea (BVD) at least 30 days before the event

☐ Test cattle for BVD-PI by immunoperoxidase test, and bring them to shows only if they test negative

☐ Test cattle for Johne's disease test results by ELISA test, and bring them to shows only if they test negative

☐ Clean and disinfect vehicles used to transport animals to and from the show, and vehicles used at the show, before and after the show

☐ Isolate exhibited animals returning to their farms or animals purchased at the show for 21 days before mingling them with other stock

**The State Veterinarian recommends that show organizers:**

☐ House cattle separately from llamas, vicuñas, alpacas, guanacos, and other exotic ruminants

☐ House cattle separately from small ruminants, especially sheep

☐ House ostriches, emus, rheas and cassowaries separately from domestic poultry

☐ House swine separately from any other mammals

☐ Include a space for the premises registration code on livestock entry forms

☐ Provide hand-washing stations near all livestock facilities

☐ Provide individual watering and feeding troughs rather than common ones