

**THE MARYLAND STATE FAIR AND  
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Dear Fairgoer:

It is again my pleasure to welcome you to the 128th Maryland State Fair. The 2009 Fair will open on **Friday, August 28th**, and run to **Monday, September 7th**.

As in past years, the Fairgrounds will open at 8AM for those who wish to participate in or observe the livestock and horse shows. Demonstrations and exhibit halls are open from 10AM to 10PM. The Midway opens at 10AM on weekends and at Noon on weekdays. Adult admission to the Fairgrounds is only \$8.00. Children 6-11 and Seniors are \$3 and children under 6 are admitted free. The price of admission includes admission to the racetrack. Parking on the Fairgrounds is available for a minimal fee. Free parking is available at the Park and Ride location on Deercro Road west of the Fairgrounds. Parking is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Because convenient parking is limited, we also encourage the use of the Light Rail. There is a Light Rail stop opposite the entrance to the Fairgrounds near the Cow Palace.

As always, this summer classic offers a complete schedule of Livestock shows, Home Arts, Farm and Garden and 4H/FFA exhibits and demonstrations, agricultural displays, midway thrills and chills and a racing docket. Special entertainment includes concerts and a rodeo. Look for the complete Schedule of Events on our web site.

All exhibits – Livestock, Home Arts and Farm and Garden – will be pre-entered this year, as they have in past years. All exhibitors will be able to enter Livestock, Home Arts and Farm and Garden exhibits through the **Internet**. One Internet submission will allow open Livestock exhibitors to enter their animals at the State Fair as well as the Frederick County Fair. Look for premium books, class lists and entry instructions on our web site.

As in the past, the Premium Catalog is divided into three Sections, one for each Department. Each has its own table of contents. The General Rules and Regulations apply to all exhibitors in the Livestock, Home Arts and Farm and Garden Departments. The International Association of Fairs and Expositions National Code of Show Ring Ethics are also included. Exhibitors are responsible for reading and complying with both the General Rules and Regulations and Code of Show Ring Ethics. Rules relating to specific classes are listed within those classes. The Online Catalog includes entry forms if you choose not to enter through the Internet. Note the entry deadlines. **FEES WILL BE APPLIED TO LATE ENTRIES.** Please make sure you use the correct forms for your entries.

We hope you enjoy the fair as much as we enjoy bringing it to you.

Have fun!



F. Grove Miller  
Chairman of the Board  
Maryland State Fair

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# York Road

North Gate

Main Gate

Exhibitors Only

Parking Area A

Parking Area C

Parking Area E

Show Pavilion

Parking Area B

Parking Area D

Land Street

4H/FFA Home Arts

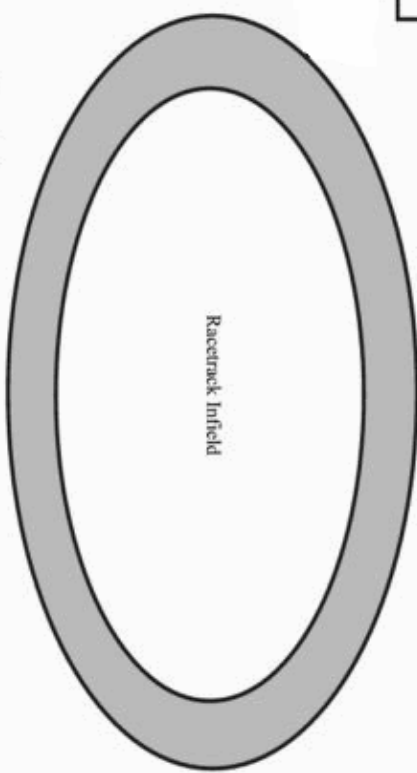
Farm and Garden

Swine Goats Sheep

Rabbits Poultry

DNR Scales and Tails

MIDWAY



Racetrack Stables

Animal World Pavilion

Milking Parlor

Cow Palace

Show Ring

Horse Show Area

Exhibition Hall

Special Attractions

Fair Office

Parking Area F

Grandstand

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Parking Area G

Ticket Booth

Light Rail Gate



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## GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Maryland State Fair and Agricultural Society, Inc., has jurisdiction and control over the operation, conduct and staging of Maryland State Fair. To this end the following Rules and Regulations have been established to provide guidance to all participants.

1. The Society reserves the right to interpret all rules and regulations and resolve any situation, which may arise and is not restricted by the lack of a specific rule or regulation.
2. Appeals of a decision of a judge must be submitted in writing to the President of the Society before 12:00 o'clock noon of the day following the making of the decision. The reasons, which prompted the appeal, must be clearly stated and supported by facts. A deposit of \$500.00, returnable only if the appeal is sustained, must accompany each appeal.
3. Premiums, prizes and awards are payable from September 2<sup>nd</sup> through October 1, 2009.
4. No exhibitor in any department can win more than two monetary awards in any one class. However, more than two exhibits may be entered and shown. (Exceptions to this rule are stated in the Department rules.)
5. Every purebred animal must be owned and registered in the name of the exhibitor by the appropriate breed association.
6. The Society reserves right to cancel any show, competition or event without prior notice and without incurring any liability except the return of any entry fee paid.
7. Participants must comply with the Rules and Regulations listed for each Department, Division and Class.
8. Non-compliance with any Rule or Regulation may result in forfeiture of premiums and or not being allowed to participate in future Maryland State Fair events.
9. **GRILLS OF ANY TYPE ARE PROHIBITED IN THE COW PALACE!!**

### SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS Dairy Cattle, Beef Cattle, Swine, Sheep, and Dairy Goats

1. Exhibitors must comply with the State of Maryland Health Regulations for Livestock found below.
2. **Entries must be made on or before August 3<sup>rd</sup>. This includes 4-H and FFA exhibitors who wish to show in open classes.**

### ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

1. Complaints of alleged improper conduct, rules or Code of Ethics violations must be presented to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Maryland State Fair ("Board Chairman") who shall determine what investigation, if any, he deems necessary.
2. If the Board Chairman finds there is probable cause to believe a violation has occurred, he shall notify those accused that a violation has been alleged and the supporting evidence will be shared with them. Any investigation shall be completed within ten (10) days after which the Board Chairman shall make a decision.
3. The Board Chairman can either dismiss the alleged charges or impose the penalties, which include forfeiture of premiums and or not being allowed to participate in future Maryland State Fair events.
4. The Board Chairman shall notify in person or by regular mail the accused individual(s) of his decision, which shall be final.
5. If an exhibitor or representative is excluded from participation, the Maryland State Fair may exclude animals fully owned, animals owned in partnership, the farm and/or any entity affiliated with the excluded individual.
6. Nothing herein contained shall alter or amend the Maryland State Fair's right to exclude any individual from the fair's premises.

### STALLS AND PENS WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS

1. Substitutions, which total 25% or more of the original entries, will cost \$5.00 additional for each entry. Substitutions will only be allowed if ownership is identical with the original entry. Individual exhibitors will not be allowed to substitute with a partnership owned or syndicate owned animal and vice versa.
2. Where there is but one animal in a class, the award shall depend upon the merit of the animal and will be left to the discretion of the judge.
3. Exhibitors will be expected to furnish animals for the 4-H Judging contest and may be requested to extend their stay to accommodate judging practices.
4. Exhibitors will be expected to comply with the arrival, release and show times specified for their respective departments.
5. Passes and motor vehicle stickers will be furnished at the discretion of the Division Superintendent.
6. **No exhibitor can win more than two moneys in any one class. However, more than two entries may be exhibited.**

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

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

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

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal Health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.

4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of volatile drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the -sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian approved by the Maryland State Fair.
5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person-to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.
11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions

#### **THE PUREBRED DAIRY CATTLE ASSOCIATION (PDCA) SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS**

The showing of registered dairy cattle stimulates and sustains interest in the breeding of registered dairy cattle. It is also, and important part of the promotion, merchandising and breeding program of many breeders. For these reasons, The Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) believes that it is in the best interest of the breeders of registered dairy cattle to maintain a reputation of integrity in dairy cattle shows and to present a wholesome and progressive image of dairy cattle in the show ring.

PDCA endorses the Show Ring Code of Ethics for all dairy breed shows and pledges its full cooperative support for its enforcement to show management, show judges, and the national breed associations.

The application of this Code of Ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this Code of Ethics. Dairy cattle exhibitors shall, at all times, deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship.

It is recognized there are certain practices in the proper care and management of dairy cattle that are necessary in the course of moving dairy cattle to and between shows that are advisable to keep them in a sound, healthy state so they might be presented in the show ring in a natural, normal condition. At all times, exhibition livestock shall be treated in a humane manor and in accordance with dairy quality assurance practices so as to protect the health, safety and welfare of the livestock and the consuming public. No person shall present for exhibition or exhibit an animal which he or she knows, or has reason to suspect, is affected with or has been exposed to dangerously contagious or infectious disease, or illegal or non-approved use of drugs, medication and/or prohibited substance, or residue.

The position of the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association is that all animals presented for exhibition shall be in their natural conformation and structure, free of any alteration or modification by injection or internal or external administration of any substance by any involvement in unethical fitting.

#### **Grooming & Preparation**

Dairy cattle exhibitions are conducted under standards for evaluating conformation established by the PDCA *Unified Score Card* (1994), with specific breed characteristics taken into consideration by the show judge. In this connection, animals will be groomed and prepared for the judge's evaluation in order to display the animal's natural contour, conformation, performance and mobility.

Specifically:

1. External applications of cosmetics that affect only appearance may be used, including by way of example hoof polishes and false switches.
2. The maximum allowable length of naturally growing hair anywhere on the topline is not to exceed 1". Exhibitors will be required to comply with this rule before the animal is allowed to enter the ring.
3. Addition to foreign objects including but not limited to hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber, to change the natural contour or appearance of the animals body is prohibited.
4. Externally sealing the teat end with a preparation that does not harm the animal's skin is permissible. Natural teat placement will be given preference over artificially positioned teats.

#### **Violations: False, Deceptive, or Unacceptable Practices**

These practices are violations of the Code of Ethics and will be reported to show management and may be reported to the respective national breed associations:

1. Misrepresenting the age and/or milk status of the animal for the class in which it is shown.
2. Treating the animal, particularly the udder, internally or externally;
  - a. With an irritant or counter-irritant,

- b. Using a device to artificially create or enhance the udder crease,
  - c. Using other substances as detected by testing that causes changes in the udder to artificially improve the conformation.
  - d. Plugging of the teat canal with foreign substances.
3. Surgical or unethical insertion of any matter under the skin or into body cavities, performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body (e.g., administration of fluid via a stomach tube or other similar apparatus to fill the rumen), though not to preclude practices required or involved in normal management.
4. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors while in the show ring, or other conduct detrimental to the breed or the show.
5. Challenging, threatening, or interfering with show management to monitor the animals on exhibit on the show grounds.

**Exhibitor Responsibility:**

The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (hereinafter referred to as "Exhibitor"), for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, milk, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Materials may also be collected by ultrasound and photographic methods and by direct examination of animal.

The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (the "Exhibitor") to have disciplinary action for violation of this Show Ring Code of Ethics taken by show ring management, the state in which the show occurs, and/or the national dairy breed association without recourse.

Violations are subject to the disciplinary provisions of show management, the state in which the show occurs, and the national dairy breed association. Sanctions may include anyone, or combination of the following:

1. forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds;
2. written letter of reprimand to the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person ("Exhibitor");
3. disqualification of the exhibition livestock from a exhibition;
4. disqualification of the Exhibitor from the show;
5. publication of offense.

Disqualification may include any or all shows and classes and may be for any number of years.

**ATTENTION LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS**

All livestock vehicles are required to enter the fairgrounds by Land Street, which is located at the extreme north end of the fairgrounds. A one-way system will be utilized around the Cow Palace. All cattle trucks will be required to approach the Cow Palace from the loading dock side. Immediately upon unloading, cattle trucks will be required to circle the Cow Palace in a counter clockwise direction, proceed to the north parking lot via the road inside the fairgrounds which parallels Land Street, and unload on the north side of the swine, sheep and goat building.

This system will be in effect every day. Your cooperation is necessary in order to make this system work. It would be extremely helpful if exhibitors would bring as few as possible vehicles to the fairgrounds. All exhibitors will be expected to take their livestock trucks and trailers home and not park them on the fairgrounds during the 11 days of the fair.

**Rule violators may forfeit any premiums won.**

# LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT

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## HEALTH REGULATIONS FOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITED IN MARYLAND

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. **All entries from Maryland** must be accompanied by a Maryland Certification of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) for Show Certificate. Exceptions to this are horses and poultry. See below for instructions on these animals. Have your accredited veterinarian fill in this form completely within 45 days of the first exhibition. The identification numbers, ages and breeds on the certificate must correspond with those used on the test chart submitted by your veterinarian. The certificate **MUST** be signed by your veterinarian, and forwarded to the Animal Health Section, Maryland Department of Agriculture, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland, 21401. Upon approval by this office, a copy will be returned to you. This approved copy **MUST** accompany animals to all shows and be presented to the MDA Animal Health Inspector prior to unloading. Approval of all entries for the first showing in Maryland will **EXTEND** in 60 day increments through the Show or Fair season, providing that the status of the herd or animal does not change. The CVI must be signed and dated on the reverse side by a MDA Animal Health Official at each event to extend the 60 day effective date.
2. **All entries from other States** must be accompanied by a **Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection** signed by an **accredited veterinarian** and approved by the **State Veterinarian of the state of origin**. These are also known as “interstate health certificates” and are usually valid for 30 days. However, unless there are changes in the health status or herd of origin or of the animals themselves, Maryland will consider them valid throughout the traditional show season.
3. All animals except certain poultry must be identified individually.
4. All animals will be inspected for general health upon presentation for admission. Those showing clinical signs of ANY contagious or infectious disease must be removed from the Show or Fair. The State Veterinarian reserves the right to the final determination. In such cases the health certificate may be modified, suspended or revoked.
5. When immunization is recommended or required, it must be done in conformity with standard procedures and practices consistent with the development of immunity **PRIOR** to Show or Fair.

### CATTLE & GOATS

In addition to General Requirements all cattle must be individually identified by ear tag, tattoo or registration number. All goats must be from flocks registered in the scrapie control program and identified by USDA approved tags, registration tattoos, or an approved premise tattoos.

#### Tuberculosis

1. Cattle, goats, and camelids originating in Maryland from herds not under quarantine or restriction are not required to be tested for tuberculosis for Shows or Fairs in Maryland.
2. Animals that originate from herds in tuberculosis free States need no testing.
3. Animals from Tuberculosis Free Accredited herds need no testing.
4. Animals from herds in which all animals have tested negative within the past twelve (12) months need no testing.
5. All other animals six (6) months of age and over are to have a negative tuberculin test within sixty (60) days prior to the first Show or Fair. Status of herd and area must be shown on certificate.

#### Brucellosis

1. Cattle and goats originating in Maryland from herds not under quarantine or restrictions will not be required to be tested for brucellosis.
2. Animals that originate from herds in brucellosis free States need no testing.
3. Animals from Certified Brucellosis Free herds need no testing.
4. Animals from herds in which all animals have tested negative within the past twelve (12) months need no testing.
5. All other animals (except official vaccinates under twenty (20) months and animals under six (6) months of age) must be negative to an official brucellosis test within thirty days of the show. Steers are exempt from testing.

#### **Immunization - Cattle**

- 1. Respiratory complex to include bovine virus diarrhea (BVD) - REQUIRED**
- 2. Leptospirosis - Recommended**

#### **SWINE**

In addition to General requirements above, all swine must be individually identified by ear tag, tattoo, or registration number.

#### **Immunization - Cattle**

- 1. Leptospirosis - Recommended**

#### **Brucellosis & Pseudorabies**

- Swine originating in Maryland from herds not under quarantine or restriction are not required to be tested for brucellosis or pseudorabies for Shows or Fairs in Maryland.
- Animals that originate from a Validated Brucellosis Free State or a Validated Brucellosis Free Herd need no testing for brucellosis.
- All other animals six (6) months of age or over except barrows must have a negative brucellosis test within thirty (30) days of the Show or Fair.
- All swine except suckling or weaning pigs must have a negative pseudorabies test within 30 days of the show or Fair unless they originate from:
  - ◆ A feeder pig monitored herd in a Stage III state,
  - ◆ A Qualified Pseudorabies Negative Herd in any state, or
  - ◆ A Stage IV or V state.

#### **MARKET SWINE**

Swine exhibited at events where no other classes of swine, i.e., breeding or feeder swine are exhibited shall be exempt from these requirements if they are slaughtered immediately after judging and not returned to farms.

#### **SHEEP**

All sheep must be from flocks registered in the scrapie control program and individually identified by USDA approved tags, registration tattoos, or premise tattoos. In addition to the General requirements for individual sheep, the **ENTIRE FLOCK** of origin must be inspected for the presence of contagious or infectious diseases.

#### **CAMELIDS**

- Camelids originating in Maryland from herds not under quarantine or restriction are not required to be tested for tuberculosis for Shows or Fairs in Maryland.
- All out of State camelids six (6) months of age and over, including castrates, must meet one of the following requirements:
  - Originate directly from a herd which has undergone a complete negative tuberculin herd test within the previous twelve (12) months; or
  - Have a negative tuberculin test within sixty (60) days of the show.

#### **HORSES**

##### **Equine Infectious Anemia**

All equids (horses, mules, etc.) must be accompanied by an official record of negative test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) within the past twelve (12) months.

#### **POULTRY**

- A premise registration number is required for all Maryland poultry producers.
- All exhibitors must show proof that poultry originated from a **Pullorum-Fowl** Typhoid Free Flock or have been tested negative for Pullorum-Typhoid not more than ninety (90) days before the Show or Fair. Proof is documented on VS Form 9-2, VS Form 9-3 or comparable form. Junior 4-H exhibitors of broiler stock, only, can substitute the above with either MDA-E-16 Health Certificate for Show or official letter endorsed by a Maryland Cooperative Extension Agent attesting to approved source of the birds. Testing must be completed before arrival at exhibition.
- All poultry must originate from a flock participating in U.S. NPIP Avian Influenza-Clean Flock Program. Otherwise, the exhibitor must have a minimum of 30 birds (or the complete flock if fewer than 30), randomly tested negative for avian influenza by an official test. Exhibitors wanting to test only selected birds, all birds shown must be tested for AI at least 10 days prior to the event and be negative. Any test results will be good for 10 days after issuance. Certification will be revoked if tested birds are commingled with non-tested birds.

#### **ANIMAL WORLD**

Animals exhibited in Animal World at a Show or Fair are expected to have the same health paper certification, testing and immunizations as other exhibited livestock and poultry.

**FAXED SHOW CERTIFICATES ARE ONLY  
ACCEPTABLE IF PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS ARE  
MADE AND THEN ONLY IN AN EMERGENCY.**

Papers must be approved at least 15 days before the first show and that show must be listed in the upper right hand corner of the document. If you have any questions, please feel free to call 410-841-5810 or write to Maryland Department of Agriculture, Animal Health Section, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401.