# **State of Louisiana Health Regulations**

# LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PARTICIPATING IN SHOWS AND FAIRS IN LOUISIANA (REVISED)

#### **NEW POULTRY HEALTH REGULATIONS!**

- a. Each bird participating in the event must meet federal and state quarantine and interstate regulations.
- b. Each bird brought to the show must have the following papers:
  - i. An individual health certificate, dated within 60 days of the show, indicating the bird is free of disease and has been tested free of Salmonella Pullorum and Salmonella Gallinarum within the last 60 days.
  - ii. VS Form 9-2 (bird or flock) attached to the health certificate or 9-2 on the individual bird and on NPIP form on the flock.
    - 1. indicating the bird is free of Salmonella Pullorum (pullorum and typhoid) dated within 60 days prior to the show
    - indicating the flock of origin is under the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) and is free of Salmonella Pullorum and Salmonella Gallinarum (pullorum or typhoid) dated within the past year
    - 3. Identification of each bird is recommended, for example, by leg or wing band, with the identification listed on the VS 9-2 form
- c. Each bird brought to the show must indicate on the health certificate the physical location of origin and return destination for 30 days prior to and after the show.

The State Veterinarian, Louisiana State Livestock Sanitary Board, will have complete charge of the Louisiana State Fair Grounds and veterinarians who represent the Livestock Sanitary Board will be present to enforce the health requirements listed below. All animals entering the Fair Grounds come under their jurisdiction.

All livestock not accompanied by proper certificates will be ejected from the Fair Grounds, or isolated until the requirements are met. All tests and certificates necessary to qualify these isolated animals will be done by veterinary practitioners at the owner's expense.

#### **POSTMORTEM EXAMINATIONS**

The City of Shreveport and the State Fair of Louisiana require a postmortem examination of any animal or poultry which dies during the State Fair of Louisiana. This examination must be performed by an official veterinarian at the expense of the exhibitor.

# ALL LIVESTOCK

A health certificate (certificate of veterinary inspection) should be issued within the time frame of the show requirements by a licensed, USDA-accredited veterinarian. The health certificate should clearly identify the animal (any tag, tattoo, brand, and microchip), species, breed, and gender. It should clearly state that the animal has had all the required disease testing and/or vaccinations and the signature of the owner or responsible party. In addition, it must indicate that the animals are in good health and appear free of disease at the time of the examination.

# CATTLE

All cattle participating in the event must meet federal and state quarantine and interstate regulations.

Cattle entering Louisiana shows or fairs should have the following items:

- Original health certificate,
- Brucella status,
- TB status (if applicable).
- Brucellosis and/or Tuberculosis test results/status, as well as, the individual animal identification (identification number, microchip, brand, or tattoo) must be clearly placed on the health certificate.

# HEALTH CERTIFICATE signed by a USDA accredited veterinarian

- Official identification (not registration numbers) such as Brucellosis test tag, vaccination tags, brand, tattoos, ear notches, scrapie tags and bangles tags.
- Multiple cattle can be listed on one health certificate providing proper identification and test results are stated.
- This health certificate is good for 60 days from the date of issue to cover the period of the show season for Louisiana 4-H/FFA animals.
- This health certificate is good for 30 days from the date of issue for all out of state animals.

# **BRUCELLOSIS STATUS (LOUISIANA CATTLE)**

- Only a health certificate is needed if animal is calf hood vaccinated.
- Heifer between 4 and 12 months old must be calf hood vaccinated
- Cow or heifer over 12 months of age:
  - Must have official calf hood vaccination or tested negative in the last 60 days or been part of a negative (certified) herd that has been tested with the last 12 months.
  - 2. Animal identification number, herd status results or negative test results must be placed on the health certificate.
  - 3. Louisiana Bull (regardless of age) does not need to be tested

# **BRUCELLOSIS STATUS (ALL OTHER STATES)**

- If it is Class Free state and the animal is just coming in for the show
  - 1. Health certificate signed by a USDA accredited veterinarian
  - 2. Identification should be clearly stated on the health certificate
  - 3. Multiple cattle can be listed on one health certificate providing proper identification and test results are stated.
  - 4. Bulls do not need to be tested.
- If it is NOT Class Free
  - 1. Heifers are between 4 and 12 months old must be calf hood vaccinated
  - 2. Cow or heifer vaccinated and 2 years old or older, test for Brucellosis within 30 days of show
  - 3. Cow or heifer vaccinated and less than 2 years old, no test is required
  - 4. Cow or heifer not vaccinated and 1 year or older, test for Brucellosis within 30 days of show
  - 5. All bulls over 12 months of age need to test negative within 30 days of the show

#### **TUBERCULOSIS STATUS**

- Make sure the state of origin is TB free.
- If the state is not "TB free", TB test the animal (male or female) within 30 days of the show. Indicate the negative TB test on the health certificate.

• Each animal brought to the show must indicate on the health certificate the physical location of origin and return destination for 15 days prior to and after the show.

# SWINE

- Each pig participating in the event must meet federal and state quarantine and interstate regulations.
- Each pig needs to be individually and permanently identified as to the herd of origin by ear tag or tattoo (unless prohibited by federal regulation)
- Ear notch identification will be accepted in lieu of tag or tattoo on registered, purebred animals.
- Each pig participating in the event must have the following papers:
  - 1. Health certificate
  - 2. Each pig needs to have an official, original health certificate, signed by a USDA accredited veterinarian.
  - 3. This health certificate is good for 60 days from the date of issue to cover the period of the show season for Louisiana FFA/4-H animals.
  - 4. This health certificate is good for 30 days from the date of issue for all out of state animals.

#### **BRUCELLOSIS STATUS**

• Louisiana Swine: Each pig brought to the show from Louisiana must have one of the following papers dated within 60 days prior to the show. Results or proof of origin may be indicated on the health certificate. Louisiana swine or any swine coming from a class free state for Brucellosis does not need to be tested for Brucellosis.

#### **PSEUDORABIES STATUS**

- Louisiana swine: Each pig brought to the show from Louisiana must have one of the following
  papers dated within 60 days prior to the show. Results or proof of origin may be indicated on the
  health certificate.
  - 1. Louisiana swine or any swine coming from a stage IV or V for pseudorabies does not need to be tested for pseudorabies. Proof or origin from a qualified pseudorabies-free herd the qualified herd number (including the date and results of the official test) and individual identification number must be recorded on the health certificate.
  - 2. Proof of direct shipment from a farm of origin in a State IV or Stage V State/Area
  - 3. Each pig brought to the show must indicate on the health certificate the physical location of origin and return destination for 15 days prior to and after the show.

#### SHEEP

- Each sheep participating in the event must meet federal and state quarantine and interstate regulations.
- Each sheep traveling to the event must have the following papers:
- HEALTH CERTIFICATE
  - 1. Each sheep needs to have an official, original health certificate, signed by a USDA accredited veterinarian.
  - 2. This health certificate is good for 60 days from the date of issue to cover the period of the show season for Louisiana FFA/4-H animals.
  - 3. This health certificate is good for 30 days from the date of issue for all out of state animals.

#### SCRAPIE TAG IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Each sheep must have an official USDA scrapie tag in their ears
- 2. The identification number must be placed on the official health certificate.
- 3. Each sheep brought to the show must indicate on the health certificate the physical location or origin and return destination for 15 days prior to and after the show.

#### GOATS

- Each goat participating in the even must meet federal and state quarantine and interstate regulations.
- Each goat traveling into or around the state must have the following papers:
- HEALTH CERTIFICATE
  - 1. Each goat needs to have an official, original health certificate, signed by a USDA accredited veterinarian.
  - 2. This health certificate is good for 60 days from the date of issue to cover the period of the show season for Louisiana FFA/4-H animals.
  - 3. This health certificate is good for 30 days from the date of issue for all out of state animals.
  - 4. Each goat brought to the show must indicate on the health certificate the physical location of origin and return destination for 15 days prior to and after the show.

#### • SCRAPIE TAG IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Each goat must have an official USDA Scrapie tag in its ear.
- 2. An animal identification number must be place on the official health certificate.
- 3. A microchip may be substituted for a Scrapie tag
- 4. A microchip reader for that microchip must accompany the animal.
- 5. A tattoo may be substituted for a Scrapie tag
- 6. Flock tattoo number in the right ear or tail web with a unique animal identification in the left ear or tail web must be noted on the health certificate.

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