Evacuation Plan for Animals on Exhibition at Eastern States Exposition

If an event should occur on the Exposition grounds that would require the evacuation or removal of animals being exhibited or shown under the control of the Agriculture Department of Eastern States Exposition, the following guidelines should be implemented to assist in the timely and orderly evacuation of these animals.

1. The Director of Agriculture and Education of the Exposition will notify the Security Department that a situation exists that would require the evacuation of some or all of the animals on the Exposition grounds.

2. Upon notification from the Exposition Director of Agriculture and Education, a Seasonal Police supervisor will be dispatched to the Agriculture Department office located in the Mallary Complex, or other location as directed, to act as a liaison between the Seasonal Police and the Agriculture Department Director.

3. This supervisor, at the direction of the Agriculture Department will establish a central location where the Agriculture Department exhibitors will stand by to be transported or escorted to off grounds parking so vehicles to be used to transport the animals off grounds may be rapidly returned to the Exposition grounds to be loaded out.

4. If the animals need to be removed immediately from the buildings they are to be housed in the Coliseum. The Security Department will provide officers to secure the route to this location and assist in isolating the Coliseum once the animals are moved. Removal of animals from the building will proceed under the Direction of the West Springfield Fire Department.

5. The Security Department shall provide all available vehicles to transport drivers or escort vehicles to retrieve trailers from off ground locations.

6. A Seasonal Police supervisor shall accompany the vehicles to the off grounds location to assist in assembling a convoy of vehicles to be escorted back to the Exposition grounds for loading.

7. Should the disposal of animal remains be necessary the Director of Agriculture will work with R G Webster Enterprises and the MDAR (Massachusetts Department of Agriculture Resources) to assure that this is done in a timely manner.

8. All operations shall continue until directed by the Director of Agriculture to be suspended.

Quarantine Plan for Animals on Exhibition at Eastern States Exposition

Should the MDAR (Massachusetts Department of Agriculture Resources) determine that a mass quarantine needs to take place at the Exposition, the Director of Agriculture will follow all directives issued by MDAR, and acting with the assistance of the Seasonal Security secure the quarantine area and proceed to set up care of all quarantined animals.

FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS

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FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS AGRICULTURAL SHOWS

- No smoking allowed in Coliseum, Mallary Complex or barns.
- BURLAP material is not allowed as backdrops or table coverings. All fabric used as backdrops and/or table coverings must be flame retardant. Use of spray flame retardants is acceptable.
- All decorations must be non-flammable as certified by a National Testing Laboratory or, when permitted, rendered non-flammable by a topical flame retardant finish.
- EZ-Up tents, if used must have flame retardant ratings. No vendor shall set up more than 2 (two) 10 (ten) foot by 10 (ten) foot tents next to each other. *ATTENTION PROMOTERS: No show layout should have more than 20 feet of tent without a 10 foot non-tenant space.*
- Devices utilizing open flames are not permitted.
- All lights and electrical mechanisms must have a UL label. Extension cords shall be UL listed, and must be of proper gauge and not overloaded with electrical devices. No home type extension cords may be used.
- Electrical devices shall not be permitted to be in direct contact with combustible materials such as wood chips, hay bales, and decorations.
- Electrical devices shall not be left unattended, i.e., displays utilizing lights and electrical mechanisms shall be shut off or unplugged at the end of the show.
- Flammable liquids and gases (propane, butane etc.) are not allowed in the buildings. Non flammable gas cylinders, such as helium, shall be supported by metal stands or secured with a proper size chain.
- Corn stalks, hay bales and fine bark mulch are not allowed for display purposes. Large wood chips, coarse bark mulch may be used in barns but shall be kept damp at all times.
- Live trees and vegetation shall be bailed and watered daily. *PRIOR TO SET – UP, approval must be granted by the West Springfield Fire Department – Fire Prevention Office.*
- No motorized gasoline or diesel vehicles allowed in buildings. (Golf carts and scooters).
- No large round or square bales of hay or straw or open piles of silage or haylage are allowed. Feed and bedding material must be bagged or baled in small square or round bales (less than 400 lbs.).
- Feed and bedding material is not allowed on the floor of any aisle for display purposes. Including wood shavings, sawdust, peat moss and loose straw.
- Coverings are not allowed over aisles, such as banners, farm signs, EZ-UP tents.
- All aisles shall be a minimum of 10 feet in width and shall remain free and clear at all times.
- Aisle display widths are not to exceed 30” from each side in main aisle and 24” from each side in side aisles.
- No excessive accumulation or rubbish or litter allowed.
- All exits shall remain free and clear at all times.
- All fire lanes shall remain free and clear at all times.
- All fire alarm pull stations, fire extinguishers and any other fire protection devices or equipment shall be free and clear of obstructions and readily visible.
- No signs, decorations, or products shall be attached to any part of the sprinkler system.

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