

Fair Check-in Guidelines for Veterinarians

Our goal for checking in fair animals continues to be the health and welfare of the animals to be exhibited and to be fair and consistent with those people that will be exhibiting the animals. As in the past we have a copy of the health guidelines provided by the fair to the exhibitors and it will be used as our guideline. The Veterinary Check-lists will be available at the Fair Office when picking up stall cards, both the Fair and KVH website and attached with numerous e-mails to the FFA and 4H superintendents and leaders. As you evaluate the health and welfare of the animals there will be clear cut cases that need to be sent home and there will be cases in which the animals may not be completely healed but are not a threat to themselves or other animals, we will continue to use collective judgments (request a second opinion if needed) when making final decisions on these cases. Besides immediate health issues:

- All female cattle over 1 year need to be Brucellosis vaccinated.
- All sheep and goats must be identified for the USDA scrapie program (see information on back).
- Castrations sites on sheep, goats and cattle should be healed (unless they are nursing and under eight weeks of age.).
- Tail docking will not be addressed; it remains a volatile issue that has not been resolved at this time.
- Exhibitors should present their completed stall card and present it with their animal; once approved the veterinarian will attach a bright colored label to the stall card indicating the animal has passed its veterinary inspection.

Note to the swine barn that all stall cards need to be posted by 6:00 a.m. Monday.