

2021 CENTRAL WASHINGTON STATE FAIR

LIVESTOCK ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

SEPTEMBER 24 – OCTOBER 3, 2021

GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES

Please Read: The General Rules & Regulations of the Fair, in addition to the following, are to be observed.

1. All livestock entries are to be submitted online via Showworks. The link to submit your entries is available on the Exhibitor Guidebook page on our website: www.fairfun.com. If you choose to not enter online, a current paper entry form can be requested through the Fair Office. However, there will be a \$10.00 paper processing fee charged per each exhibitor.
2. All animals entered in breeding classes must be registered in the respective association herd books, and registry papers must be provided for each animal.
3. Exhibitor/owner is defined as the name specified on registration papers. Animals under multiple exhibitor names will be considered as one (1) exhibitor. If a husband, wife, or children are co-owners of an entry they will be considered as one (1) exhibitor and passes will be issued as such. Premium checks will be made payable to one (1) legal owner only.
4. An animal may compete in one (1) single class and in all groups or specials to which it is eligible. Individual animals shown in all of the group and herd classes must have been entered and shown in one of the classes for single animals.
5. Animals exhibited must be owned by exhibitor and entered in their name unless otherwise noted in Breed Rules and other livestock rules.
6. Entries should not be made for championships or for special prizes. Eligible animals will be automatically entered by the clerks. Entries for groups must be made, but the individual animals making up the groups need not be specified until shown. All animals on the grounds must be entered in the proper classes.
7. Temporary transfer/sale to make competition is barred.
8. Cows over forty-two (42) months of age & bulls over thirty-six (36) months of age must show proof of living calf within twelve (12) months prior to date of show. Nurse cows prohibited unless otherwise stated in breed rules.
9. The Superintendent or Management may reclassify animals entered in the wrong classes. Exhibitors are not allowed to withdraw or change their entries after the opening of the fair.
10. Youth may also show in open division, but must meet all open rules, registration, entry fees, and closing dates.
11. Judges may not enter for competition in their respective departments.
12. Substitutions may be made at the discretion of the department's superintendent at entry and prior to judging.
13. Entries will be accepted until such time as all available stalls/pens are filled. Determination will be done on postdate and/or requirements set forth by management pertaining to number.
14. Animals must be shown in such a manner as the judges may require or allow. Exhibitors refusing for any cause not meeting with the approval of the Management to lead out their animals for parade or competition to the Show Ring, or for Student's Judging Contests, when called by the stewards, will not only forfeit all prizes previously won, but may be barred from further participation in the Fair. They may be further required to remove their stock from the fairgrounds.
15. Good herdsmanhip must be maintained at all times. Failure to provide herdsmanhip may result in class premiums withheld. See Herdsmanhip Rule in its entirety above each Livestock Department.
16. Stall Cards – Each exhibitor must display a stall card for each animal entered. If you are entering both youth and open, you must use the youth card which will need to include the designated color sticker provided to you by the superintendent. Open, Youth, and 4-H each have their own designated color sticker. The card must be filled on it its entirety including your name, etc. The stall cards will be provided to you by the CWSF, available through your superintendent or in the livestock office. By using colored stickers we are now able to house the youth entries with the open class. The stall cards may be picked up at the Livestock Office. If you have any questions, please contact the Entry Department at 509-248-7160.
17. If entry numbers (animal number) are required, they must be prominently displayed on the person showing the animal in the judging ring.
18. Tampering and misrepresentation - any artificial means of removing or remedying the physical defects or conformation in exhibition of cattle will be considered as fraud and deception. All animals giving evidence of such treatment will be barred from competition. Misrepresentation of age of animal will also be considered fraudulent. Any use of illegal drugs and/or the improper use of animal health products or foreign substances that would affect an animal's performance resulting in an unfair advantage or the disposition of the animal will not be tolerated.
19. THEFT – if you are caught stealing – premiums will be pulled and future entries at CWSF may be rejected.
20. Exhibitors will not construct barricades in their area that obstruct public viewing from any angle. Personal items are not to be left out in the open after 9:30am each day of the Fair. Tack areas and unused stalls must be kept clean and neat at all times or premiums may be held. No radios or televisions played in barns during Fair hours. The sound interferes with the barn paging system when classes are being called. Exhibitors must provide their own wheelbarrows and cleaning equipment. No aisle grooming of your animal.
21. All exhibits must be held in place until release time unless granted written permission by the Department Superintendent or Management. A Veterinarian's certificate will be accepted as proof of death or sickness of an animal and upon such presentation, substitutions will be permitted in the same class only, provided such proof is presented at least twenty-four (24) hours before they

show. After that no substitutions may be made. NO refunds. This rule applies to all classes, Open and Youth.

22. Containers used to store animal feed should be rodent proof.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

You will be parking in our infield, entering through Gate 11 into the parking area. Please use the red gate & walk thru the tunnel for entrance to the Fairgrounds.

Please attend the livestock meeting for 1st Half on September 23rd @ 7:00pm & 2nd Half on September 28th at 12:00pm at Gano Area.

All Livestock (other than cattle):

- 1st half arrive: Thursday, September 23rd – must be in place by 7:00pm
- 1st half release: Tuesday, September 28th – see changeover procedure
- 2nd half arrive: Wednesday, September 29th – must be in place by 10:00am
- 2nd half release: Sunday, October 3rd – see release procedure

Beef and Dairy Cattle:

- 1st weekend arrive: Thursday, September 23rd – in place by 7:00pm
- 1st weekend release: Sunday, September 26th – see release procedure
- 2nd weekend arrive: Thursday, September 30th – in place by 10:00am
- 2nd weekend release: Sunday, October 3rd – see release procedure

Equine (Mini/Pony, Open, and Youth):

- Mini/Pony arrive: Thursday, September 23rd – in place by 7:00pm
- Mini/Pony release: Monday, September 27th – see release procedure
- Open Mid-Week arrive: Tuesday, September 28th – in place by 10:00am
- Open Mid-Week release: Thursday, September 30th – see release procedure
- 4-H and Open Youth arrive: Friday, October 1st – in place by 10:00am
- 4-H and Open Youth release: Sunday, October 1st – see release procedure
- Open Weekend arrive: Friday, October 1st – in place by 10:00am
- Open Weekend release: Sunday, October 3rd – see release procedure

23. Any livestock in the barns after their designated release deadline will be tied or caged behind the barns at the owner's risk.

24. **Changeover/Release Procedure:** Barns will be closed at 6:00pm; banner line will go up at 6:00pm. To assure guest safety, no access will be allowed in the marked off livestock area once the banner line has been installed. We are hopeful that we may clear the barn and livestock areas of fairgoers by 6:00pm, at which time exhibitors may finish hauling their tack and decorations. Please do not dismantle any displays or decorations until 5:30pm. Once this procedure is completed, we will have a general release with an estimated release time of 6:30pm. Please keep in mind that this depends on getting the barn areas cleared of fairgoers in a timely fashion. You will be informed by your superintendent of a definite release time once management (Livestock Administrator, Joe Niemann) feels it is safe for everyone. Long hauls will be given consideration for an earlier release if it is safe to do so. Gators and

drivers will be available to assist you in hauling your tack and/or display items.

25. Hauling animals is prohibited during the Fair, except during release and entering times. Loading and unloading animals should be done as quickly as possible. Loading and unloading inside the barns is prohibited. There will be a maximum time of twenty (20) minutes per vehicle to park in designated area to load and unload. If more time is needed, please make arrangements with the Livestock Administrator.

26. Cattle are not to be walked out on to the track for loading. Cattle may only be loaded into trailers parked in the designated area behind the barns (east end) during the appropriate haul-out times. Cattle are also not allowed to tie up in the wash racks during haul-in. All cattle must be tied in the tie-out area. The wash rack is strictly to be used for washing only.

LIVESTOCK SALES / JUNIOR SHOWS

27. Livestock Sales: Sale animals must participate in entire Fair process. You cannot leave with the sold animal prior to release time. Taking out any animals early, sold or not, will result in premiums being lost to the seller and/or buyer, no exceptions. Sales/Auctions: CWSF will receive 5% of gross sales for any sale over \$100.00. The Association may provide panels/fencing, if needed.* (* If Fair provides, 2.5% extra will be charged.) This rule does not include scheduled auction sales.

28. **NO FOR SALE** sign allowed on pens, stalls, or coops, etc. If a sale occurs, animals must stay on the fairgrounds for the entire show; no early releases. Barn superintendents must be notified of an animal sale. Please see your superintendent for procedures on hauling animals out.

FEED & BEDDING

29. We will be using both straw and shavings this year. Straw and shavings for first bedding will be provided to exhibitors by CWSF. If shavings are used, no straw will be issued to these exhibitors; if straw is used, no shavings will be issued. Putting down more shavings or straw is the responsibility of the exhibitor; putting the discarded bedding in the proper manure bunker is also the responsibility of the exhibitor. Bedding for the tie-out area will not be furnished.

30. The Central Washington State Fair will not be handling hay/straw sales.

31. Straw or shavings removal from other exhibitor's areas will result in a loss of premiums.

32. The Central Washington State Fair will furnish grain for cows while being milked in the milking parlor. Milk produced will not be paid for.

33. Keep all grain in a sealed container (related to rodent control).

BLOCKING CHUTES

31. Absolutely no blocking chutes will be permitted in front of the barns (west end). A designated area will be reserved on the east end. The Blocking Chute area will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Premiums may be held if chutes are not kept clean at all times. Chutes may be put inside the barns with management permission, but must be kept out of the aisle way.

TIE-OUTS

32. Tie-outs will be permitted @ 8:00pm. A limited number of tie-outs will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. If tie-outs are

used, exhibitor must clean the area. Old straw must be replaced by new daily. This rule will be strictly enforced. Bedding for tie-out area will not be furnished. Both a halter and neck rope must secure all animals in tie-outs.

**** HERDSMANSHIP RULE ****

33. **With the serious concerns of E-coli issues at Fairs & Festivals, we are asking your cooperation and understanding to please keep your stalls and/or pens and aisles clean at all times. Good herdsmanship will be enforced in all of the livestock areas. Those not keeping their areas clean will be issued a warning. If after the warning stalls and/or pens are not maintained, the exhibitor will be contacted, and we may find it necessary to hold premiums. E-coli outbreaks are extremely detrimental to our industry and we must address it by being pro-active. We suggest that you clean your stalls and/or pens and aisles completely out by 10:00am each day and throughout the day perform cleaning maintenance. We realize that completely cleaning pens and stalls out is time consuming and costly, however having you, your animals, and fairgoers safe is high priority. We do appreciate your assistance in helping us deal with these serious concerns.**

**WA DEPARTMENT OF AG LIVESTOCK HEALTH
REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS
FOR EXHIBITORS AT WASHINGTON FAIRS**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

ENTRY PERMITS:

Entry permits are required for all out-of-state cattle, sheep rams over six months of age, and swine. To obtain a permit number, call 360-902-1878, Monday – Friday, 8 – 5, after hours and weekends call 1-800-942-1035 or go to the webpage at <http://fortress.agr.gov/apps/EntryPermits/>

Requirements from the Washington State Department of Agriculture and Washington State Veterinarian for all out-of-state entries :

<https://cms.agr.wa.gov/WSDAKentico/Documents/AnS/AnimalHealth/out-of-state-livestock-fair-requirements-2021.pdf>

SPECIAL SALES:

- An application for a special livestock sale may be obtained by calling the Livestock Identification Program at 360-902-1855. A copy of the application is enclosed or go to our webpage at: <https://agr.wa.gov/FoodAnimal/Livestock/docs/SpecialSaleApplication.pdf>
- Make sure to get your special sales permit in on time (**15 days prior to the sale to be considered**).

BRAND INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS:

- All cattle must be inspected for brands or other proof of ownership for any action that constitutes a change of ownership. If a brand inspection is needed, it will be done prior to the sale.
- A Certificate of Permit (haul slip) needs to be filled out completely by the consigner prior to transporting and consigning the animal to the sale. You can purchase Certificate of Permits by calling 360-902-1855. Books of 25 permits are \$5.00.
- Cattle being consigned must provide proper proof of ownership documents at the time of inspection. If proof of ownership is not satisfied, proceeds of the animal's sale will be held until proper ownership documentation is presented.
- Accepted Proof of Ownership Documents (for youth terminal sales only):

- An official livestock inspection certificate issued by WSDA.
- An official inspection certificate issued by another state or province that maintains a livestock inspection program.
- Bill of Sale and Affidavit of Sale. For copies of Affidavits of Sale, contact your local brand inspector.
- If you have any questions, please contact the Livestock Inspection Program in Olympia at 360-902-1855.

BIOSECURITY:

Exhibitors should use biosecurity measures before, during, and after attending fairs to reduce the risk of disease transmissions. Please see our Resources for Fairs website at: <https://agr.wa.gov/FoodAnimal/AvianHealth/Fairs.aspx>

CVI/HEALTH CERTIFICATES:

All out-of-state animals coming to a Washington State fair must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health certificate) completed within 30 days prior to shipment.

IN-STATE POULTRY EXHIBITORS REQUIREMENTS:

All chickens, exotic fowl, and game birds must test negative for Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days prior to exhibition. Waterfowl, doves, and pigeons are exempt from this rule. Exhibitors are exempt from this rule if they are members of NPIP, or within the 12 months, have purchased their show birds from a NPIP participating producer or a feed store that purchased their chicks from a NPIP participating producer. If you have any questions, please contact Beth Reitz at 360-725-5494 or email: breitz@agr.wa.gov

ZOONOTIC DISEASES:

Please remember that E. coli 0157H7, Salmonella, and other infections can be transmitted by contact with animals. Children, seniors, and immune impaired persons are particularly susceptible. Hand washing facilities should be available wherever human-animal or animal waste contact is possible and signage directing the public to those facilities needs to be visible.

Diseases, such as shiga toxin-producing E. coli and Salmonella can be spread to people from contact with fair animals and their environment, even though animals appear healthy. Fair managers have responsibilities under Washington State rules to help protect against the spread of disease. Know the requirements on providing hand-washing stations and posting educational signage at the animal exhibit areas.

RESOURCES:

For information on exhibiting animals at WA fairs, see our fair resources page at: <http://agr.wa.gov/FoodAnimal/AvianHealth/Fairs.aspx>

MANDATORY IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

OUT-OF-STATE CATTLE:

All cattle are required to have:

- A Certificate of Veterinary inspection (health certificate) issued within 30 days prior to entry which contains
 - Listing of official individual identification on all dairy cattle at any age and beef cattle over eighteen (18) months of age,
 - An entry permit number,
 - Ownership inspection (brand) from the state of origin prior to entering the fair.

Brucellosis Test Requirement

- All dairy bulls over six (6) months and vaccinated dairy females over twenty (20) months that WILL BE SOLD at the fair requires a

negative brucellosis test within thirty (30) days of shipment.

- No test required if for show only.

Tuberculosis Test Requirement

- All dairy bulls and heifers over twelve (12) months of age and older require a negative Tuberculosis test within sixty (60) days of shipment.
- All cattle used for rodeo or timed events must have a negative test for Tuberculosis within twelve (12) months.

Trichomoniasis Test Requirement

- All rodeo bulls must have official individual identification and a negative bovine trichomoniasis qPCR test within twelve (12) months prior to shipment into Washington State.
- Any breeding bull eighteen (18) months of age or older that WILL BE SOLD at the fair, requires a negative bovine trichomoniasis qPCR test within sixty (60) days prior to the fair.
- Exemption to the bovine trichomoniasis qPCR test is a bull less than eighteen (18) months of age, as determined by dentition inspections by an accredited veterinarian or verified by breed registration documents that are confirmed by a statement and the signature of the owner or the owner's designee as having no breeding contact with female cattle.

Cattle from Canada and Mexico

- All cattle over twelve (12) months of age from the countries of Canada and Mexico require a negative Tuberculosis test within sixty (60) days of shipment.
- All cattle over six (6) months of age from the countries of Canada and Mexico require a negative test for Brucellosis within thirty (30) days of shipment.
- Our policy is to allow non-vaccinated Canadian cattle entry to the fair and return to Canada provided the fair board rules allow non-vaccinates to be exhibited.
- A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, an entry permit number, and a negative tuberculosis test within sixty (60) days prior to shipment and a negative brucellosis test within thirty (30) days prior to shipment is required. If the cattle are intended to be sold at the fair, then they need to be CAN branded before entry.

OUT-OF-STATE HORSES:

All horses are required to have:

- A Certificate of Veterinary inspection (health certificate) issued within 30 days prior to shipment.
- All horses over six (6) months of age are required to have a negative test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) within twelve (12) months of entry.
- An ownership inspection (brand) from the state of origin prior to entering the fair.

OUT-OF-STATE-SHEEP-AND-GOATS:

All sheep and goats are required to have:

- A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within 30 days prior to shipment with a statement saying they are free of clinical signs of sore mouth, foot rot, and caseous lymphadenitis.
- Rams over six (6) months of age require an entry permit number.
- Official individual scrapie identification.

If lactating goats are entering, their milk must be discarded during any stay in Washington unless they have been tested negative for brucellosis within thirty (30) days and tuberculosis with sixty (60) days prior to shipment.

Brucellosis Test Requirement

Any breed ram six (6) months of age or older that WILL BE SOLD at the fair requires a negative test for Brucella ovis within thirty (30) days prior to shipment.

OUT-OF-STATE SWINE:

All swine are required to have:

- A certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty (30) days prior to shipment.

- The certificate of veterinary inspection must contain the following certification: "To the best of my knowledge, swine represented on this certificate have not originated from a premise known to be affected by Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus (PEDv), and have not been exposed to PEDv within the last 30 days."

- Official USDA identification.
- An entry permit number.

The state veterinarian reserves the right to apply further restrictions should the PEDv threat become greater as the fair season approaches.

OUT-OF-STATE ALPACAS AND LLAMAS:

All llamas and alpacas are required to have:

- Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within thirty (30) days prior to shipment.

OUT-OF-STATE POULTRY:

All poultry are required to have:

- USDA NPIP VS Form 9-3 or a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health certificate) within thirty (30) days prior to entry and must not be coming from an area that is under state or federal restrictions.
- All other birds, including exotic fowl, pigeons, and doves, require a certificate of veterinary inspection that contains the following statement: "To the best of my knowledge, the birds listed on this certificate are not infected with exotic Newcastle disease, psittacosis, or avian influenza and have been free from clinical signs of or known exposure to infectious or communicable disease during the past thirty days."

NPIP Requirement

- All chickens and game birds must originate from an NPIP participant flock that has met Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza classification requirements or has tested negative for Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza within thirty (30) days prior to entry.
- All waterfowl must originate from an NPIP participant flock that has met Avian Influenza classification requirements or has tested negative for Avian Influenza within thirty (30) days prior to entry.
- All turkeys must originate from an NPIP participant flock that has met Pullorum-Typhoid, Avian Influenza, Mycoplasma Gallisepticum, and Mycoplasma Synoviae classification requirements or has tested negative for Pullorum-Typhoid, Avian Influenza, Mycoplasma Gallisepticum, and Mycoplasma Synoviae within thirty (30) days prior to entry.

CWSF ANIMAL HEALTH STANDARDS AND LIVESTOCK INSPECTION

1. No animal from a quarantined area or premise may be permitted to enter the Fair or to show.
2. **Out-of-state animal entries must comply with State of Washington import regulations. No exemptions unless exempted by rule.**
3. Fair veterinarian will inspect all classes of livestock and poultry (including horses, pet animals, rabbits, fur-bearing animals, pigeons, ducks, geese & turkeys, etc.) before they are exhibited to determine that the livestock and poultry show no clinical indications of contagious, infectious disease, and ectoparasites.
4. The official Fair veterinarian will reject any animal with infectious or contagious diseases or ectoparasites. Exhibitors should be made aware that ringworm, warts, pinkeye, strangles, contagious ecthyma, scabies, lice, mites, ticks and fleas fall into these categories. The decision of the private fair veterinarian should be

final on potentially infectious disease conditions to maintain a healthy show environment for all exhibitors.

5. Fair Veterinarian must check out-of-state exhibitors for proper import documents and required testing.
6. Animals exhibiting disease symptoms during the course of the Fair should be rejected by the Fair veterinarian and removed from exhibit area.
7. It is strongly recommended, but not required, that cattle be vaccinated in the current show year against respiratory diseases.
8. **The Fair Veterinarian's professional decision as to the health status of an animal is final and shall be upheld by the Fair Board.** Animals exhibiting disease symptoms during the course of the fair should be rejected by the fair veterinarian and removed from the exhibit area.
9. Clean cages, food and water containers daily. Disinfect all equipment before entering the fair grounds. Restrict direct contact between birds during the event and limit bird contact to essential personnel.
10. Observe birds daily for signs of avian influenza or other diseases and immediately report signs of illness to the designated exhibition veterinarian, poultry health inspector, or appropriate exhibition staff.
11. Do not share equipment with other exhibitors. If equipment must be shared, make sure it is cleaned and disinfected between uses.
12. Isolate any animals returning home from the fair for 30 days.

TREATMENT OF LIVESTOCK

Mistreatment of animals will not be tolerated. If such an occurrence happens, the exhibitor will be asked to leave and all premiums will be forfeited. Please see our Animal Care Policy for more information on our protocols and procedures for the proper care of animals on our grounds.

SPECIAL RULE – PUBLIC LAW

ANIMAL ENTERPRISE PROTECTION ACT OF 1992 – Section 43 – an act to protect Animal Enterprises.

a. OFFENSE

Whoever travels in interstate or foreign commerce, or uses or causes to be used the mail or any facility in interstate or Foreign commerce for the purpose of causing physical disruption to the functioning of an animal enterprise; and Intentionally causes physical disruption to the functioning of an animal enterprise by intentionally stealing, damaging, or causing the loss of, any property (including animals or records) used by the animal enterprise, and thereby causes economic damage exceeding \$10,000 to that enterprise or conspires to do so; shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

BIOSECURITY CHECKLIST FOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

Before & During the Fair:

- Prohibit visitors to your animals and farm especially if they have traveled outside the country within the past week.
- Make sure all veterinary health inspections and certificates of veterinary inspection are current for all the animals you will take to the fair.
- Recommend separate barns for separate species.
- Follow the fair vaccination guidelines and give recommended vaccination at least 10 days before the event.
- Disinfect all equipment, such as buckets, shovels, wheelbarrows, manure baskets, lead ropes, blankets, snares, clippers, scissors, brushes, showbox, and so forth before entering the fairgrounds.
- Don't share equipment with other exhibitors unless it has been cleaned and disinfected before and after use.
- Avoid entering the pens/stalls and coming in contact with animals from other farms. Contact the fair veterinarian or exhibition manager when animals are in need of attention. If you must come

in contact with animals other than your own, properly wash your hands and thoroughly clean and disinfect your boots and clothing before returning to your animals.

- Eliminate traffic between exhibitors of different species (especially sheep/goats and cattle). If it is not possible to eliminate this traffic, change clothing and disinfect hands before handling a different species.
- As much as possible, minimize feed and water changes from home to fair.
- Keep unused equipment and feed bagged or covered to reduce the risk of contamination.
- Vehicles and trailers used to transport animals to and from the fair should be well cleaned and disinfected, inside and out, between uses.
- Do not mix species in the same trailer (especially sheep/goats and cattle). Avoid commercial haulers with multiple animals from multiple farms.
- Clean and disinfect all items at the end of the fair before taking them home.
- Properly dispose of unused bedding, hay, and feed after the fair. Do not bring it home.
- Minimize stress by keeping animals cool, well bedded, and comfortable.
- Carefully consider whether exhibition animals should return home after the fair, and what risk that presents to other animals at home.
- If an animal becomes ill at the exhibit, consult the Fair veterinarian and isolate the animal.

After the Fair:

- The safest way to transport your animals is in your own vehicle. Do not haul animals from other farms.
- Keep fair animals isolated from other animals and pets for at least thirty (30) days.
- Check these isolated animals every day for any signs of illness.
- Care for isolated animals separately, then shower, change your clothes, and clean and disinfect your boots before going to other areas of the farm.
- The person caring for animals at the fair should not perform animal-related chores at home. If the same person must do both, chores at home should be done first. Do not wear the same clothes, hats, and shoes to care for the animals at home and the fair animals. Garments should be cleaned and disinfected between each trip to the fairgrounds and barn/pasture. (It's also a good idea to shower between trips.)
- Horses taken to the fair should be isolated from livestock and pets for at least thirty (30) days after returning to the farm. (Although horses don't get many of the livestock diseases, they could carry disease back to the farm.)
- Contact a veterinarian as soon as you see any unusual symptoms in any animals. Many diseases can look similar to a foreign animal disease, only a veterinarian can tell for sure.

The above Fair biosecurity recommendations were provided by the Indiana Department of Agriculture and appeared in the January 2009 issue of the Ketch Pen.

Seibert D, Firkins L, Wallace D, Ernst M. Biosecurity Considerations When Exhibiting Animals. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

These biosecurity practices are a good idea no matter what disease might be of concern. The goals are keep every animal healthy and to safeguard the Washington livestock industry.

TOP FIVE DISEASE PREVENTION RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Segregation – Prevent contact of your livestock with other animals.
2. Restrict use of feed, equipment, and trailers to your animals and disinfect after use.
3. What happens at the fair stays at the fair. This includes equipment (unless cleaned and disinfected), feed, and bedding.

4. Notify a veterinarian immediately if an animal becomes sick.
5. Isolate animals returning home for thirty (30) days.

CWSF DIRECTOR'S EMERITUS'

Here is what you have to do to earn the award.

The group who is judged to have done the best job, in the following areas:

- Have Educational Materials & displays exhibited.
- Have an Attendant on Duty to answer questions about their exhibits.
- Animals must be properly stalled and safely contained.
- Stalls must be clean and animals well cared for.
- Stalls, Walkways and Tack areas must be clean, free of manure, debris, trash, food & clothing and free of excess straw or shavings.
- Empty feed pans should be removed and the water kept clean.
- There should be an adequate number of exhibitors present to represent the exhibit, group or club.

**Remember to smile! Greet fairgoers and answer questions!
Have a great fair!!!**

Awards: 1st Place - \$200 2nd Place- \$100 3rd Place - \$50

CENTRAL WASHINGTON FAIR ASSOCIATION ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY

Central Washington Fair Association believes that every animal participating in activities of the Central Washington State Fair and all other interim events shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare. All animals and livestock shown, housed, or displayed shall receive care that is humane, healthful, stress free, and consistent with public expectations and in compliance with state and federal laws.