

1721.0100 PUBLIC EXHIBITION.

Subpart 1. **Permits.** No person or entity shall conduct a public exhibition of livestock in the state unless the person or entity has obtained a permit from the board, except for:

A. horse shows which are programmed to be completed within a period of 12 hours and at which horses are not stabled overnight;

B. rodeos; or

C. horse races which are held at a racetrack licensed by the Minnesota Racing Commission if a commission veterinarian performs the duties in subpart 4.

Subp. 2. **Requirement for an official veterinarian.** An official veterinarian must be present at each public exhibition of livestock for which a permit is required and perform the duties in subpart 4.

Subp. 3. **Responsibilities of exhibition managers.** The exhibition manager shall:

A. retain the services of an official veterinarian;

B. comply with all orders of the board or the official veterinarian pertaining to the sanitation of the premises and the health status of all livestock exhibited;

C. clean and disinfect all building and exhibit areas for the use of livestock prior to the opening date of the exhibition and during the exhibition if livestock are released and new livestock are brought to the exhibition premises;

D. maintain the livestock and exhibition areas in a sanitary condition;

E. ensure that any livestock showing symptoms of infectious, contagious, or communicable disease are removed from the premises or quarantined in a separate facility; and

F. maintain records as described in subpart 7.

Subp. 4. **Responsibilities of official veterinarian.** The official veterinarian shall:

A. approve the cleaning and disinfection of the exhibition premises prior to the exhibition and during the exhibition if livestock are released and new livestock are brought to the exhibition premises;

B. inspect all livestock on the day admitted to the exhibition;

C. refuse admission of livestock showing clinical signs of any infectious, contagious, or communicable disease, or of livestock not meeting the exhibition entrance requirements outlined in subpart 6;

D. maintain tagging records as outlined in part 1721.0030, subpart 4;

E. inspect all livestock at least once daily during the exhibition;

F. order the immediate removal to the quarantine facility or removal from the exhibition premises of any livestock with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or communicable disease and order and supervise the cleaning and disinfection of the area from which the diseased livestock was removed;

G. conduct any necessary tests to determine the health status of the livestock on the exhibition grounds; and

H. within seven days of completion of the exhibition, submit to the board a report containing the following:

(1) a list of any animals that were quarantined or removed from the exhibition because of infectious, contagious, or communicable disease;

(2) any violations of this part; and

(3) other information relating to the exhibition as requested by the board.

Subp. 5. **Exemption for poultry-only exhibitions.** Subparts 2 and 3 do not apply to poultry-only exhibitions if all of the following conditions are met:

A. the only livestock handled at the public exhibition are poultry or ratites; and

B. the exhibition manager ensures that the entrance requirements outlined in subpart 6 for exhibition of poultry and ratites are met.

Subp. 6. **Exhibition entrance requirements.** No animal may enter or be at a public exhibition that is showing clinical signs of any infectious, contagious, or communicable disease. Prior to entering a public exhibition, animals must meet the requirements for exhibition, importation, and intrastate movement specified in this chapter.

Subp. 7. **Records.** The exhibition management shall maintain records which include the name and address of each exhibitor along with the species, class, and number of animals the person exhibited.

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