



ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal Exhibition Health Requirements

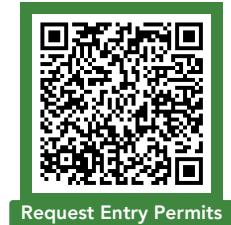
Keeping exhibition animals healthy helps protect your animals, other exhibitors' animals, and Arkansas agriculture. These rules apply for exhibition at fairs, livestock shows, and similar events.

Certification

Animals entering Arkansas from another state must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) completed within the previous 30 days. Animals from within Arkansas should have a CVI completed within the previous 90 days.*

Permits

For swine, birds (other than poultry), camelids, and exotic animals entering Arkansas, entry permits should be requested online by scanning this QR code.



Request Entry Permits

Health

Animals showing evidence of infectious or contagious disease will not be allowed to exhibit. Examples include ringworm, abscesses, warts, sore mouth, fungal infection, and foot rot.

*Species-Specific Requirements

Note: This list is not comprehensive.

For detailed requirements, view the Arkansas Exhibition Rules, 2 CAR Pt. 194 (linked below).

Cattle

In-State Animals: Heifers 4-12 months old must be Brucellosis vaccinated.

Out-of-State Animals: Brucellosis vaccinated and negative within 30 days or from a certified free herd or class free state, and dairy cattle – if intact and 6 months of age or older – must be Tuberculosis (TB) negative within 60 days with an entry permit or from an accredited free TB herd.

Swine

In-State Animals: Official premise identification, negative Brucellosis test within 90 days or from a validated free herd, and a negative Pseudorabies test within 90 days or from a qualified free herd.

Out-of-State Animals: Official premise identification and individual identification, negative Brucellosis test within 30 days or from a validated free herd or free state, and a negative Pseudorabies test within 30 days or from a qualified free herd or free state.

Sheep and Goats

In-State Animals: Official USDA (Scrapie) tag or goat registry tattoo and certificate.

Out-of-State Animals: Official USDA (Scrapie) tag or goat registry tattoo and certificate.

Horses

In-State Animals: EIA negative within 12 months.

Out-of-State Animals: EIA negative within 12 months, and rectal temperature noted on CVI.

Rabbits

In-State Animals: No CVI required; inspected at exhibition.

Out-of-State Animals: No CVI required; inspected at exhibition.

Poultry

In-State Animals: Negative Pullorum-Typhoid (PT) test within 90 days or from a PT clean flock (AR waterfowl are exempted); NPIP-certified flocks with certificate do not require a CVI; non-certified poultry must be individually identified by a permanent leg or wing band.

Out-of-State Animals: Negative Pullorum-Typhoid (PT) test within 90 days or from a PT clean flock; NPIP-certified flocks with certificate do not require a CVI; non-certified poultry must be individually identified by a permanent leg or wing band; Mycoplasma gallisepticum (MG) negative within 30 days or from MG clean flock for turkeys.



View Exhibition Rules

Tips for Exhibitors

- Check with the event manager for additional requirements.
- Schedule your veterinary inspection weeks before the event to make sure paperwork and tests are completed.
- Read specific Arkansas animal exhibition health requirements using this QR code.