INTERSTATE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR FAIR ANIMALS

This document is a supplement to the Animal Health Requirements (AI-202) published for animals exhibited at New York State county fairs and the State Fair. Its purpose is to summarize the import requirements that must be met for livestock entering New York destined for fairs. Please carefully review the Animal Health Requirements. Note that individual county fairs may require rabies vaccination in species not required by the state. Contact the specific fair for their requirements. Fair contact information is available at www.nyfairs.org. Further assistance can be obtained by contacting the Division of Animal Industry (DAI) at 518-457-3502 or your State Veterinarian's office. You can also go to the following link on our Dept. website: https://agriculture.ny.gov/animals/animal-import-export

INTERSTATE CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (ICVI)
An interstate CVI is required for cattle, horses, swine, sheep, goats, llamas/alpacas, deer/elk and misc. ruminants moving interstate. Extended Equine CVIs (EECVIs) are acceptable for horses. More information on EECVIs is available at www.globalvetlink.com and from your veterinarian. Note that interstate CVI’s must be issued by a Category 2 accredited veterinarian. The interstate CVI is valid for 30 days from the date of CVI inspection. During the fair season, from July 1 through Labor Day, interstate CVI’s can be used multiple times as long as the initial entrance to a NY fair is within 30 days of CVI inspection and the CVI is initialed by a NYS Agriculture and Markets official at the fair. All documentation must accompany the animals. Animals not meeting the interstate and/or fair requirements will not be allowed on the grounds. Individual official ID is required on all animals. Animals with incomplete or illegible ID will be rejected. Where rabies vaccination is required, the information can be included on the health certificate.

HORSES
Horses 6 months of age or older must test negative for equine infectious anemia (EIA). The sample collection date for the qualifying EIA test must be within 12 months prior to the date of entry to the fair. The horse must be clearly and completely identified. Rabies vaccination is required for all horses 4 months of age and older on the date of admission to a fair. Vaccination must be within the past 12 months.

CATTLE
Cattle must be identified by an official USDA approved ear tag. Radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tags, commonly referred to as “840 RFID tags,” are strongly recommended. Cattle from all states must be test negative for BVD-PI with results and test date noted on the CVI. For cattle from the New England states, New Jersey, Ohio and Pennsylvania, no additional testing (other than the BVD-PI test) is required. For information on other states, you can contact DAI at 518-457-3971 or check the Department website at https://agriculture.ny.gov/animals/animal-import-export. Vaccination for rabies is required for all cattle 4 months of age or older on the date of admission to a fair. Vaccination must be within the past 12 months. Bovine respiratory disease complex vaccination is also required and must be documented.
SHEEP
Sheep can enter with CVI only. No tests are required. All sheep must be identified by a 1) a USDA approved ear tag, 2) a legible USDA approved flock tattoo with individual ID, or 3) electronic implant device (microchip) if the sheep is enrolled in the Scrapie Flock Certification Program. The veterinary statement concerning the flock inspection is required. Rabies vaccination is required for all sheep 4 months of age and older on the date of admission to a fair. Vaccination must be within the past 12 months unless a 3- year vaccination has been used.

GOATS
Goats can enter with CVI only. No tests are required. The veterinary statement concerning the flock inspection is required. All goats must be identified by 1) a USDA approved tag, 2) a legible registration tattoo, or 3) a legible USDA approved herd tattoo with individual animal ID. Electronic implant devices (microchips) are only permitted if enrolled in the Scrapie Flock Certification Program and/or the electronic implant ED is recorded on the goat’s registration paper. Note that individual county fairs may require rabies vaccination.

SWINE
Swine can enter with CVI only. No tests are required. Swine must be identified by an official USDA approved ear tag. Radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tags, commonly referred to as “840 RFID tags,” are strongly recommended. Note that individual county fairs may require rabies vaccination.

LLAMAS / ALPACAS
New world camelids attending a New York county or state fair must be accompanied by a CVI with animals individually identified by microchip or official ear tag. They must be test negative for BVD-PI with test date and results noted on the CVI. Note that individual county fairs may require rabies vaccination.

DEER/ELK (CERVIDAE)
CWD susceptible cervid species cannot be imported into New York. Non CWD susceptible species require a permit. For information on importing deer contact DAI at 518-457-3502.

POULTRY
Negative avian influenza and pullorum status is required for all poultry entering NY. Out of state poultry must be accompanied by the NPIP flock certificate if the flock is NPIP certified. Otherwise, a CVI is required. Poultry, with the exception of, doves and pigeons, must test negative for pullorum within 90 days prior to importation if not from an NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Flock. In addition, all poultry must be 1) from a source flock in which 30 birds were tested negative for avian influenza within ten days prior to entry into New York State; or 2) from an NPIP U.S. H5/H7 Avian Influenza Clean or NPIP U.S. Avian Influenza Clean Flock.

For more information, contact DAI at 518-457-3971.

MISC. RUMINANTS
Certificate of veterinary inspection and official USDA approved ear tag. Note that individual county fairs may require rabies vaccination.