



LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

We feel it is important to address Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) with you. FMD is a foreign animal disease and is so classified by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). The fair is keeping abreast of information about the occurrence of FMD in the United Kingdom, France, and the Netherlands. We are following the USDA/CFIA recommended practices to ensure the safety of your livestock.

According to the USDA and CFIA there are only two continents, North America, and Australia, that are free of FMD. Two-thirds of the world lives with FMD in their animals daily. The recent occurrences in the United Kingdom, France, and the Netherlands have received a great deal of media coverage there as well as the US and Canada. The probability of FMD coming to the US or Canada because of these occurrences has increased only slightly. However, awareness of the situation may have decreased the possibility of an occurrence in the US or Canada.

Canada and the United States are both very vigilant in the prevention of the spread of FMD, thus making their common border very safe for both countries.

Both the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and the CFIA have plans to contain occurrences of foreign animal diseases, including FMD. The USDA plan is called the National Emergency Response to a Highly Contagious Animal Disease and the CFIA plan is the Food and Agriculture Emergency Response System. These plans would be put into effect immediately upon a suspected case of FMD. These plans include varying steps depending on the severity and probability of the suspected case being FMD. State and provincial departments of agriculture have also been having meetings to educate their own employees about this response.

Education about FMD is very important.

FMD cannot be contracted by humans.

FMD in most cases will not kill livestock unless they are young or already in a weakened state. There is a vaccination for FMD.

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Operations Manager

LIVESTOCK OWNER'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned certifies that, to the best of his/her/its knowledge, as of October 19, 2023, none of the livestock shipped to or delivered to the Pensacola Interstate Fair will be, on such date, adulterated within the meaning of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (i.e., none of the cattle or other ruminants will have been fed any feed containing protein derived from mammalian tissues, e.g. meat and bone meal, as that term is defined in 21 CFR 589.2000 and none of the livestock will have an illegal level of drug residues). This certificate shall remain in full force and effect until revoked in writing by the undersigned seller and such revocation is delivered to the Pensacola Interstate Fair.

Date: _____

Seller: _____

By: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____