

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for animals exhibited in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must meet the following requirements:

- **Health Requirements:** Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) will be required for every animal exhibited at the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition and associated shows (county and regional). It is expected that junior exhibitors will bring only healthy animals to the Expos. The certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must be dated within 90 days of the respective show. All animals are subject to being inspected after arrival at the show facilities and any with clinical signs of contagious disease will be quarantined or sent home immediately at the discretion of the show veterinarian. Certificate(s) of Veterinary Inspection are to accompany the animal(s) to the respective shows.

- **All classes of sheep that show** in the Tennessee Junior Livestock Exposition must have approved ear tags. All sheep that are to be exhibited in any show, including Commercial Ewes and Market Lamb must have an approved Scrapie Program ear tag in their ear. This will apply to all the sheep shown in the Tennessee Junior Livestock EXPO. This must be done in accordance with the guidelines provided by USDA Animal Health and Plant Inspection Service (APHIS).
 - Wethers are not exempt.
 - Please call the USDA office at (615) 871-5310 to order the free Scrapie tags. Allow approximately 10 days after ordering for delivery.

- **Exhibitors who have breeding flocks** will be required to have official USDA identification in order to show or to sell ewe or ram lambs for exhibition and/or breeding. This is done by filling out the appropriate form to obtain a flock/premise identification number and ear tags. Existing flock identification numbers may be allowed if properly registered. If this has not already been done, it is recommended that it be done as soon as possible.

- **Exhibitors who purchase the ewes they will show** must be certain the ewes have been tagged by the breeder (flock of birth). Avoid purchasing ewes to exhibit if they don't have approved ear tags. Please read and comply with the attached guidelines of the program. The web site (www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/scrapie) is an excellent source of current information. Questions should be directed to either the state veterinarian's office (615-837-5120) or the Federal office (615-781-5310). The address for correspondence is:

USDA:APHIS, Attn: Premise ID, P. O. Box 110950, Nashville, TN 37222

PHYSICAL SOUNDNESS. Cattle or sheep that are not physically sound will be ineligible for exhibition and sale.

DOGS

NO DOGS ALLOWED, EXCEPT SEEING EYE OR OTHER MEDICALLY NECESSARY DOGS.

COMPLIANCE WITH FDA BAN ON FEEDING OF RUMINANT MATERIALS TO CATTLE AND SHEEP.

As result of the concerns for food safety in the United States, youth exhibiting steers or lambs in the Knoxville Spring Junior Cattle Exposition and the Tennessee Junior Cattle Exposition will be required to certify that their steers and lambs have not been fed any feed containing protein from mammalian/ruminant (e.g., meat and bone meal) not in compliance with 21CFR 589-200, tissue and not any of the steers and the lambs have illegal levels of drug residues as outlined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

A signed certificate will be brought by exhibitors with the animals at weigh-in. The exhibitor(s) and parent(s) must sign the certificate. A copy of the certificate is in the appendix of this publication. A copy may also be obtained at the Animal Science's Department web page @ <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/> Separate forms should be used for steers and lambs. A full description of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act "21 CFR 589.2000" and how it relates to the livestock industry can be found at the USDA web page (www.usda.org).