

POULTRY

NO BIRDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 8:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

Superintendent: Ed White, Ipswich

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All birds except waterfowl and pigeons must be blood-tested before being exhibited at a Fair. The proper time for testing is after June 1st. If you don't have an i.d. card, you must bring your blood test reports. The test is good for one calendar year. All birds in flock must be tested - not just show birds. Birds must be 16 wks. old to be tested. All birds must have current leg bands. Contact (before July 1st): **Bureau of Animal Health - (617) 626-1798**. Any sick bird will be removed from exhibition and the owner will be notified; if not picked up, the bird will be disposed of and State Department of Animal Health will be notified.
2. **Fill out one side of entry form. If Youth is checked, fill in age of exhibitor.**
3. **Admission tickets will be given out at the window of the Superintendent's office.**
4. **FILL OUT ENTRY FORMS TO SHOW BREED, VARIETY, SEX, AGE (OLD OR YOUNG), AS WELL AS CLASS NUMBER.** Due to limitations of space, entries (including eggs) will be accepted according to date received. **ENTRIES WILL POSITIVELY CLOSE AUGUST 31, 2011.**
 - A. Due to limitation of space, entries may still have to be rejected.
 - B. An exhibitor is limited to only filling a class (3 per class).
 - C. **All entries are final. No refunds or changes.**
5. All entries competing for a prize must be the bonafide property of the exhibitor, otherwise prizes will be forfeited.
6. **The Society reserves the right to reject entries.**
7. Specimens not regularly entered will not be allowed in the building unless a permit is granted by the Superintendent.
8. With the exception of Guineas and Non-Standard varieties, the American Standard of Perfection will be the guide on judging. This authority will be used in breaking ties. Only worthy specimens will be awarded a prize.
9. Judges are empowered to withhold prizes when, in their opinion, the specimens are not of sufficient merit.
10. The judge's decision shall be final except in case of fraud.
11. During the Fair no birds can be removed from exhibition except by consent of the Superintendent.
12. Ribbons will be awarded at the window of the Superintendent's Office at the close of the Fair.
13. The building will be open to receive birds at 12:00 NOON Friday, September 30, until 7:00 P.M. **No birds will be accepted Saturday, October 1st.**
14. **Exhibits will remain in place until 6:00 P.M. Monday, October 10th.**
ALL BIRDS MUST BE REMOVED BY 8:00 P.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 10. EXHIBITOR MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COMMITTEE MEMBER TO REMOVE BIRDS. **THE MANAGEMENT WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY BIRDS NOT REMOVED OR ANY LOSSES OR DAMAGE FROM ANY CAUSE.**
15. In the event of non-arrival of birds formally entered, the entry fee will be forfeited except where the Management is at fault.
16. Every exhibitor whose entry fees amount to \$20.00 or more will be allowed a three-day pass. Those whose entry is below \$20.00 will be allowed a one-day pass.
17. The original entry will be final.
18. **ALL BIRDS RAISED IN THE CURRENT YEAR ARE CONSIDERED YOUNG. ANYTHING OVER 12 MONTHS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED OLD.**
19. **ALL BIRDS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION MUST NOT BE PLACED IN CAGES UNTIL INSPECTED BY A**

COMMITTEE MEMBER. ALL BIRDS, EXCEPT WATER FOWL AND PIGEONS, MUST HAVE A CURRENT STATE INSPECTION BAND.

20. ONLY CLEAN BIRDS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR EXHIBITION.
21. PINION BIRDS IN THE MALLARD AND CALL WATERFOWL CLASS WILL NOT BE DISQUALIFIED.
22. ALL SPOTTED CALLS WILL BE JUDGED AS SNOWEY.
23. All bird carriers **MUST** be taken home after birds are placed in cage; any remaining carriers will be disposed of.
24. ENTRANTS CAN EMAIL ANY QUESTIONS TO: **travelinonnow@yahoo.com**

Competition open to all standard breeds and guineas, with the exception of Section 9: Non-Standard Barnyard Rooster class.

Exhibitors wishing to sell their birds may do so by placing a card, **provided by the Poultry office**, with name, telephone number, and price on the cage of the bird to be sold. No other cards or signs may be used. No bird may leave before 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 10th.

No cards on cages before judging.

Bird owners must be present during transaction.

COURT OF HONOR

AFTER THE CHAMPION BIRDS IN THE MAIN CLASSES ARE SELECTED, THESE VARIOUS SPECIMENS WILL OCCUPY THE COURT OF HONOR FOR THE DURATION OF THE FAIR. EACH COURT OF HONOR WINNER WILL RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL \$10.00 FROM THE POULTRY COMMITTEE.

FFA AUCTION

There will be a poultry auction on **Sunday, October 16th** at the Poultry Building to benefit the Essex Aggie FFA. (25% of sales will go to FFA). All birds must be blood tested. Any questions about the auction can be emailed to: **rsmith@agtech.org**

SECTION 1: YOUTH

(Age 16 and under)

All boys and girls exhibiting in this section must fill out a regular Poultry Entry Form. Please fill in your **AGE** on the form. Under **Section**, please indicate **1** for Youth, but also indicate a sub section for what you are entering. For instance, if you are entering a Bantam the section box would read **1,4**.
Entry fee will be charged in all classes.

Awards:	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
One in a class	\$2.00		
Two in a class	3.00	1.00	
Three in a class	4.00	2.00	1.00

SECTION 2:

ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM

DUCKS & GEESE

Chairperson: Susan Collins

Entry Fee: Ducks \$2.00 Geese \$3.00

Awards: FIRST SECOND THIRD FOURTH

DUCKS

1. One in a class	2.00			
Two in a class	3.00	2.00		
Three in a class	4.00	3.00	2.00	R

GEESE

2. One in a class	4.00			
Two in a class	6.00	5.00		
Three in a class	7.00	6.00	5.00	R

ROSETTE FOR CHAMPION WATERFOWL

SECTION 3:

Entry Fee: Single Specimens \$2.00

SECTION 3A: STANDARD POULTRY

Chairperson: Jack Magner

STANDARD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FOURTH
One in a class	2.00			
Two in a class	3.00	2.00		
Three + in a class	4.00	3.00	2.00	R

ROSETTE FOR CHAMPION STANDARD BIRD

SECTION 3B: EGG PRODUCTION

Chairman: William Boice, Ipswich

Entry Fee Single Specimens: \$2.00

SEX LINK TYPES-HENS ONLY

CLASS

1. Buff Sex Links
2. Black Sex Links
3. Other Sex Links

PURE BRED TYPES-HENS ONLY

CLASS

4. Rhode Island Red
5. White Plymouth Rock
6. Barred Rock
7. Leghorn
8. Any other Egg Producing type

SECTION 4: BANTAMS

Chairman: Anthony Dipaolo - Beverly

Entry Fee Single Specimens: \$2.00

COMPETITION OPEN TO ALL RECOGNIZED BREEDS AND VARIETIES. FILL OUT ENTRY FORMS TO SHOW LEFT OF CLASS - THIS WILL ENSURE YOUR ENTRY IN THE BANTAM CLASS AND NOT IN LARGE FOWL! SECTION 4, BREED, VARIETY, SEX, AGE

(COCK, HEN IF OVER 12 MONTHS OLD; COCKEREL OR PULLET IF UNDER 12 MOS). NO BANTAM TRIOS TO BE EXHIBITED
NON-DUBBED BIRDS ARE NOW ALLOWED.

Awards:	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FOURTH
One in a class	2.00			
Two in a class	3.00	2.00		
Three + in a class	4.00	3.00	2.00	R

SECTION 5: COCK CROWING CONTEST

Entry Fee Single Specimens: \$2.00

1. Any male bird may be eligible.
2. Number of crows in given length of time will determine winner.
3. Date of contest set by Poultry Committee is Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011.
4. **If bird doubled-entered, please indicate.**
5. Please state breed.
6. **Exhibitor limited to one entry only per family.**
7. Committee may limit entries because of space.

Awards: FIRST \$5.00 AND SILVER PLATE
SECOND \$3.00 THIRD \$2.00

SECTION 6: HEN FLYING COMPETITIONS

Entry Fee Single Specimens: \$2.00

CLASSES:

1. Bantams
2. Layers

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Hen Thrower must handle birds.
2. Birds must be hand held – thrown into the air – hands not to be over the throwers head.
3. Birds must fly within boundaries -- length of flight will be marked where bird leaves boundary.
4. Judge's decision will be final.
5. Prizes are first, second and third for each class.
6. Poultry Committee and Fair are not responsible for birds.
7. Please state breed.
8. Committee may limit entries because of space.

Awards: FIRST \$5.00 AND SILVER PLATE SECOND \$3.00
THIRD \$2.00 FOURTH & FIFTH Ribbon Only.

SECTION 7: TURKEYS

Chairpersons: Nancy & Ken Britner
Entry Fee: \$5.00

CLASS

1. Tom
2. Hen
3. Young Tom
4. Young Hen
(Maximum – 3 Entries Only)

Awards: FIRST
One in a class \$5.00
Two in a class \$6.00
Three + in a class \$7.00



SECTION 8: PIGEONS

Chairman: Carl Brandt

Entry Fee - Single specimens: \$2.00

CLASS 1 — FANCY PIGEONS

All breeds will be judged old cock, old hen, young cock, young hen. Classes will be open for all breeds. No bird will be accepted unless banded with seamless bands.

PIGEON PREMIUMS SAME AS BANTAM PREMIUMS.

CLASS 2 — FLYERS - NON RECORD

	Old Cock	Old Hen
Non Record Flyer - Old	25	26
Non Record Flyer - Young	27	28

SECTION 9: NONSTANDARD BARNYARD ROOSTER (STANDARD OR BANTAM)

Entry Fee - Single specimens: \$2.00

AS SELECTED BY THE POULTRY COMMITTEE

ONE WINNER ONLY!

WINNER RECEIVES A 50 LB. BAG OF GRAIN

(COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO LIMIT ENTRIES)

SECTION 10: POSTER CONTEST

THEME: "Fall Migration"

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12** at 4 P.M.
Exhibits must be at the Fair office by **Monday, September 19** at 4 P.M.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Posters may be decorated in any manner keeping in mind the theme, using original artwork—no computer art.
2. The posters should be no larger than 36" x 36". Any variation of the theme is acceptable. The poster must be delivered ready to hang. **Please only use poster board. NO FOAM BOARD.**
3. The posters will be judged for use of theme, creativity, color and public eye appeal.
4. No poster will be hung if the committee feels it may be offensive to the public. Prizes will be awarded as the judge deems worthy.
5. An exhibitor may enter only once in any given class.
6. You must send your entry form in by the date requested and follow all the rules and deadlines.
7. The fair is not responsible for damaged or lost items.
8. Any entry not believed to be completed by the child will be disqualified.
9. Each poster must be marked clearly with the name and age of entrant and address on the back of their poster.

Awards: SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTES will be awarded to the best individual and group posters in the show (as judge deems worthy).

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD, \$3.00

SECTION 8

Class Individual Entries 1. 4-6 yrs 3. 10-12 yrs 5. 16-19 yrs
2. 7-9 yrs 4. 13 -15 yrs 6. 20-100 yrs

(If a class enters individual category, the name of each child and their age must be listed on the entry form. This must be pre-registered by Monday, September 12th, 2011.)

SECTION 11: EGG CLASSES

Chairperson: Wendy White

Entry Fee: \$1.00

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. One dozen eggs constitute one entry. Please designate size and color on entry form, for judging purpose.
2. Each dozen will be judged for uniformity of size, weight, shape, color, texture, and in cases of ties, internal quality.
3. Standard weights are 27-30 oz. for extra large; 24-27 oz. for large; 21-24 oz. for medium size and 18-21 oz. for pullet size, **but** uniformity of actual size will rate higher, other factors being equal.
4. **Eggs in competition will remain the property of the exhibitor.**
5. **All eggs must be pre-entered.**

SMALL FLOCKS — 50 OR LESS

Awards: FIRST \$3.00 SECOND \$2.00 THIRD \$1.00

Extra Large White Eggs
Large White Eggs
Medium White Eggs
Pullet White Eggs
Extra Large Brown Eggs
Large Brown Eggs
Medium Brown Eggs
Pullet Brown Eggs
Jumbo Eggs
Bantam Eggs
Any Other Variety Eggs

SPECIAL AWARD:

Best dozen eggs receives cash award based on number of entries.

Special Poultry Prizes — 2011

YOUTH AWARDS

BOSTON POULTRY CLUB - Grand Champion of Show - Trophy
BOSTON POULTRY CLUB - Reserve Champion of Show - Trophy
NORTHEAST AVICULTURAL SOCIETY - Best Bird in Show - Trophy
NORTHEAST AVICULTURAL SOCIETY - Best Opposite Sex -
Cash Award
NORTHEAST AVICULTURAL SOCIETY - Best Waterfowl -
Cash Award
NORTHEAST AVICULTURAL SOCIETY - Largest Number of
Entries Award - Cash Award
LAMB AWARD - Best Bantam Award - \$15.00 Cash Award
EDWARD WHITE AWARD - Best Eggs - \$10.00 Cash Award
TED COSTA - JUDGE'S CHOICE - Youngest Male Competitor
AL ROUSSEAU - JUDGE'S CHOICE - Youngest Female Competitor

DUCKS AND GEESE

IN MEMORY OF ELINOR & FRANK COLLINS - Best White Pekin
JAMES COLLINS - Best Duck in Show
SUSAN COLLINS - Best Goose in Show
DAVID KILLAM - Reserve Champion Goose- \$10.00 Cash Award
EMILY WHITE - Best Call Duck - \$15.00 Cash Award

EGGS

EDWARD WHITE - Best Dozen Eggs in Show - Trophy

SPECIAL PRIZES cont'd next page

PIGEONS

AGWAY of Danvers - Best Fancy Pigeon - 25 Pounds Pigeon Feed
AGWAY, of Danvers - Best Non-Racer - 25 Pounds Pigeon Feed
CARL BRANDT - Best of any breed with 4 or more birds in
competition with 2 or more exhibitors - \$5.00 Cash Award
C.E. LARNER, JR. MEMORIAL (Amesbury) - Best Young and Old
Male and Female Fancy Pigeon - \$10.00 Cash Award each

BANTAMS

BEST COCHIN IN SHOW - Trophy and \$5.00- Cash Award
NANCY BEGIN AWARD - Champion Bantam - Silver Bowl
LOCK SPAIN MEMORIAL AWARD - Best Black Red Old English
Bantam- Silver Bowl
ANTHONY DIPALO - Best Silkie Bantam - \$5.00- Cash Award
ANDREA DINARDO - Best Bantam, Opposite Sex - \$10.00-
Cash Award
ANDREA DINARDO - Best Reserve Champion Black Red Old
English - \$10.00- Cash Award
VITO BUCCO - Best Silver Sebright - \$5.00- Cash Award
VITO BUCCO - Best Black Rose Comb - \$5.00- Cash Award
WILLIAM BOICE - Best Opposite Sex Cochin- \$5.00- Cash Award
BEN MORRILL - Best Golden Sebright
BEN MORRILL - Best Silver Duckwing
KEN LAMB MEMORIAL TROPHY- Best Bantam in Show

PRODUCTION AND STANDARD

ESSEX COUNTY CO-OPERATIVE FARMING ASSOCIATION -
Best Overall Bird with Exhibitor Competition -
Silver Plate
ESSEX COUNTY CO-OPERATIVE FARMING ASSOCIATION -
(5) 50 lb. Bags of Layer Pellets

AGWAY OF DANVERS - Best Bird in Show in Court of Honor
(between Standard & Egg Production) - Silver Plate
FRANK HARDY SPECIAL - Best Egg Production Bird - \$5.00
NANCY BEGIN AWARD - Reserve Champion Utility Bird
JUDY CAPRON- Best Standard Bird
SUGAR MAPLE FARM- Best Blue Laced Wyandotte- \$20.00-
Cash Award
BARBARA HAYNES- Best Barred Rock- \$10.00- Cash Award

TURKEYS

NANCY & KEN BRITNER AWARD - Champion Turkey - \$10.00-
Cash Award
NANCY & KEN BRITNER AWARD - Reserve Champion Turkey -
\$10.00 Cash Award

SPECIAL COMPETITION

HEN FLYING (Layers) AWARD - Silver Plate
HEN FLYING (Bantam) AWARD - Silver Plate
COCK CROWING AWARD - Silver Plate

SPECIAL COMMITTEE AWARDS

NON-STANDARD BARNYARD ROOSTER - 50 lb. Bag of Layer
Pellets
MASTER MOORE FARM TROPHY COMMITTEE CHOICE -
Best Bird





Everyone is invited to Come See Us on Opening Day- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH. All exhibits will need to be in place on Thursday, September 29th, EXCEPT POULTRY. Please refer all questions regarding this change to the Department Chairperson or the Fair's Administration Office.

GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

**** Topsfield Fair and Essex Agricultural Society are not responsible for changes to or omissions from any contest rules, regulations, and/or guidelines.**

Exhibitors must adhere to all rules as they apply to individual departments as well as the following regulations:

1. The Essex Agricultural Society is a member of the Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association. The rules and regulations of this organization will apply where applicable.
2. Drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on fairgrounds.
3. No smoking allowed in buildings.
4. No exhibit shall be removed before the close of the fair, without the express consent of the department head and fair management. Please refer to individual department for specific pickup times.
5. Departments designated 4-H and youth are restricted to boys and girls 9 through 19 years of age as of January 1, 2011, unless otherwise stated in department rules.
6. All reasonable precautions will be taken by the Society for the safe keeping of animals and articles entrusted to its care, but all exhibits are received upon express condition that **THE SOCIETY SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE** that may occur to animals or articles on exhibit for any reason. Exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants agree to be solely responsible for any loss, injury to, damage done, occasioned by or arising from any exhibit, equipment, animal or person and to defend and indemnify the Society and the management thereof against all claims and liability in regard thereto. In view of this understanding, exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants may deem it advisable to obtain appropriate liability insurance.
7. No person will be awarded premium checks with providing the Fair office with his/her social security number.

GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES & INFORMATION

1. All animals must be checked by the State Veterinarian and/or the department head or his designee, upon arrival at the fairgrounds.
2. Please review and comply with all health regulations as they pertain to individual departments. Massachusetts Department of Agriculture rules regarding animal health must be adhered to.
3. All out-of-state livestock must be accompanied by a current Certificate of Health.
4. **EXHIBITOR PARKING WILL BE EXTREMELY LIMITED. PLEASE CHECK WITH DEPARTMENT HEAD IF PARKING PROBLEMS ARISE.**

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BUREAU OF FAIRS, DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

In addition to complying with all laws and regulations governing animal health issues (M.G.L. C. 129§§14D, 14E, 44 and 330 CMR 4.03, 4.07, 16.03), all fairs must adopt and enforce the following rules for governance of the fair:

2011 FAIRS ANIMAL HEALTH RULES

**NO animal will be admitted to the fairgrounds unless it meets the requirements below.
NO animal is to be unloaded or enter a barn or tie-out stall until the animal and its paperwork have been inspected and approved for entry.**

A. GENERAL RULES FOR ALL ANIMALS

1. All animals must be in proper physical condition, be properly identified and free of visual evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease at time of arrival. Specific diseases and conditions which will disqualify an animal for entry are identified for each species in the following sections of the rules. Animals of any species with open or draining wounds will not be approved for entry.
2. Evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease or failure to produce the necessary documents for health certification, vaccination or testing will result in the animal's rejection for entry. **THE INSPECTOR'S DECISION IS FINAL.**
3. **REMINDER: ALL sheep and goats of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within state must possess a USDA approved individual identification tag, tattoo, or electronic implant consistent with the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program and the Massachusetts Emergency order 1-AHO-06. Information on approved tags, tattoos, and electronic implants is available from the USDA APHIS office in Sutton, MA at 508-363-2290.**
4. All livestock must have proper ID. For animals identified by microchip, readers must be available to the Inspectors.
5. SEE INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH SPECIES LISTED BELOW.

B. OUT OF STATE ANIMALS

1. All animals entering a Massachusetts fairground from out of state must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors.
2. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be acceptable for the entire fair season in Massachusetts. TB and Brucellosis testing is not required for animals from TB accredited and Brucellosis Free States. All other states must call for requirements.
(617-626-1795)

C. POULTRY

1. No poultry will be admitted to a fairground until it has been individually inspected.
2. All poultry must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: infectious bronchitis, coryza, pullorum-typhoid, fowl-pox, external parasites and laryngotracheitis.
3. Each bird must be accompanied by written proof (ID card or test report) that the breeding flock was blood-tested negative for pullorum-typhoid within one year prior to entry date.
4. Birds from quarantined states will not be permitted entry.
5. All birds over 16 weeks of age as of January 1, 2011 shall be individually leg banded with a state leg band. This includes out of state exhibitors.
6. No bird vaccinated for laryngotracheitis within thirty days of the fair will be admitted.

D. CATTLE, GOATS AND CAMELIDS (LLAMAS, ALPACAS, ETC.)

1. All animals entering a Massachusetts fairground from out of State or within the state must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Cattle and Camelids must be identified by either ear tag, tattoo registration or microchip. **Note that all goats and kids presented, regardless of age, must be individually listed and identified on the health certificate.** These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. Health Certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be accepted for the entire fair season in Massachusetts.
2. All of the above must be free of visual evidence of the following disease: foot rot, mange, pink-eye, ringworm, warts, cow-pox and open or draining wounds.
3. In addition all Goats must also be free of sore mouth and scrapie exposure. Based on the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program (FSEP), goats of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within state must possess a USDA approved individual identification tag, tattoo, or

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electronic implant consistent with the requirements of the FSEP and the Massachusetts Emergency order 1-AHO-06. Information on approved tags, tattoos, and electronic implants is available from the USDA APHIS office in Sutton, MA at 508-363-2290.

4. Blue Tongue testing is required for Camelids originating from outside the Commonwealth. Exception: Animals from a USDA declared "Low Incident State" are exempt. Note: New England and New York are low incident states.
5. While not required, it is strongly recommended that all cattle be currently vaccinated for rabies.

E. SWINE

1. All swine entering a Massachusetts fairground must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure to such disease. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be accepted for the entire fair season in Massachusetts. All swine must be identified by an official ear tag or registration.
2. Swine must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, mange and open or draining wounds.
3. No person shall import into Massachusetts from outside the state any swine which have been pseudorabies vaccinated. M.G.L. c. 129§14E.
4. No person shall import into Massachusetts swine from Stage I or Stage II Pseudorabies States.
5. All swine shall originate from qualified pseudorabies-free herds, or monitored herds in qualified pseudorabies-free States only. The pseudorabies status of the exhibitor's state can be obtained from the state veterinarian's office in each state.

F. SHEEP

1. Sheep entering a Massachusetts fairground must have a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be acceptable for the entire fair season.
2. No sheep will be allowed entry from flocks in which Scrapie has been diagnosed or in which animals are under surveillance

for Scrapie during the previous eighteen months. Based on the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program and the Massachusetts Emergency Order 1-AHO-06, sheep of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within the state must possess a USDA approved individual identification tag, tattoo, or electronic implant consistent with requirements of the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program (FSEP).

Information on approved tags, tattoos, and electronic implants is available from the USDA APHIS office in Sutton, MA at 508-363-2290.

3. No sheep will be permitted entry from flocks in which Soremouth has existed or in which Soremouth Vaccine has been administered in the previous sixty days.
4. Sheep must be free from visual evidence of foot rot, sore mouth, pink-eye, ringworm, and open and draining wounds.
5. While not required, it is strongly recommended that sheep be currently vaccinated against rabies.

G. EQUINE

1. All equines entering a Massachusetts fairground must have a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be acceptable for the entire fair season.
2. All equines must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: mange, ringworm, soring, strangles and open or draining wounds..
3. All equines originating from within and outside of the Commonwealth must have a negative USDA-approved EIA test (i.e., coggins test or ELISA test dated within twelve months of entry.
- *4. While not required, it is strongly recommended that all equines be vaccinated for rabies, tetanus, and EEE within one year of the fair.

H. RABBITS

1. Rabbits must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: snuffles, wet tail, skin and ear infections.

I. DOGS AND CATS

1. All dogs and cats must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: kennel cough, distemper, hepatitis, parvo, ringworm, and mange.
2. **All Massachusetts dogs and cats and those originating from out of this State must have a valid and current vaccination certificate for rabies.**