



LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION

New animal health requirements for cattle and swine exhibitors at fairs and exhibitions in Missouri are in place as of Feb. 16, 2025. With these rules, the Missouri Department of Agriculture is taking a proactive step toward disease prevention and traceability.

What's New?

1. Cattle and swine projects must be identified with an official form of identification.
2. Cattle and swine must be deemed healthy by an accredited veterinarian prior to the show.
Options are:
 - A. Provide a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI), completed within the previous 30 days; OR
 - B. An on-site veterinarian must approve the livestock as healthy upon arrival at the exhibition. A veterinarian on site is at the discretion of show management. ([Policies for on-sight veterinarian option](#)).

Official Identification

- An official National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES) tag (**SWINE ONLY**)
 - Begins with the official state number 43 for Missouri.
 - Allocated by USDA to accredited veterinarians.
- An official Animal Identification Number (AIN) tag
 - Consists of 15 digits, beginning with 840 for the United States.
 - Visual and Radio Frequency Identification (RFID).
 - Available directly from the manufacturer with proof of a [Premises Identification Number](#), or provided by an accredited veterinarian.
- A registration tattoo and registration papers from the appropriate breed association.
- Ear notches for purebred animals with registration papers from the appropriate breed association. (**SWINE ONLY**)

Find details at agriculture.mo.gov or contact the MDA Animal Health team at (573) 751-3377 or animal.health@mda.mo.gov.



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