

Livestock Facility Biosecurity

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Biosecurity is a set of preventative measures designed to reduce the risks for introduction and transmission of an infectious disease agent.

The Iowa State Fair decontaminates and disinfects facilities used for livestock events. All cleaning and disinfection will be carried out so as to minimize or prevent the possible movement of diseases and pests on and off the fairgrounds premises. Disinfection will be carried out prior to every livestock event following the thorough cleaning of the previous event. The disinfectant product will be professionally applied by a company specializing in disease control in livestock facilities.

Any participant in any livestock show that attempts to move into a facility before it has been properly disinfected; takes full responsibility for any and all disease that an animal may be exposed to, as well as any consequences that may lead to. The Iowa State Fair will to the best of our ability not allow entrance to any of our facilities until properly cleaned and disinfected.

Animal Health Examination Notification

- All horses and other livestock that enter the grounds, whether entered in an event or not, are subject to examination by event officials and/or State Animal Health Officials to determine whether such animals are, have been infected or exposed or are likely to be infected with an infectious or contagious disease.
- If after such examination, there is reason to believe an animal's health condition places other animals at risk, event officials may isolate such animal, and other animals that may have been infected or exposed.
- All participants agree to fully cooperate with event officials and abide by their decisions/instructions. Failing to comply shall be grounds for immediate expulsion of the participant from the grounds and potential disciplinary action by organization, local/state or federal animal health officials.

Routine Stall Cleaning and Decontamination of Vacated Stalls

The Fairgrounds will follow guidelines in regards to cleaning post show from Basic Equine Facility Biosecurity from UC Davis Veterinary Medicine found here:

http://www.chrb.ca.gov/misc_docs/biosecurity_2011.pdf

Disinfectant Product

Virkon® S; a multipurpose virucidal disinfectant with the greatest numbers of EPA-registered claims against pathogens affecting domestic and companion animals.

Equine Herpes Virus Resources

<http://vetmed.iastate.edu/vdpam/disease-topics/equine-pcrs>

<http://www.aaep.org/-i-101.html>

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