

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

Division of Animal Industry
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TO: County Agents, 4-H Club Leaders, Fair Superintendents, Show Secretaries, Veterinarians, and Exhibitors.

FROM: Dr. Stephen K. Crawford, State Veterinarian

SUBJECT: Health Regulations for **2023** New Hampshire Fairs and Shows.

SEC. I. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:** All cattle, sheep, goats, swine, equine, camelids (llamas & alpacas), poultry and ratites entering the State of New Hampshire from other states must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection signed by an Accredited Veterinarian. This Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) shall indicate the health status of the animals, poultry and other species involved, including results of any required tests and a statement that the animals are not known to be infected with or exposed to any infectious or contagious disease. Per regulation Agr 2103.07, "Any livestock entering the state from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island or Vermont for the purpose of participating in one of the member fairs of the New Hampshire Association of Fairs and Expositions between July 1 and October 31 shall be accompanied by a CVI issued by an accredited veterinarian in the state of origin. The CVI shall be valid for a period not to exceed 180 days, when the CVI: (1) Was issued on or after April 1 of that year; (2) Lists individual official identification for all animals thereon; (3) Includes all required test results for the animals thereon; (4) States "New England Fair season" as the consignee; and (5) Has an attachment listing the name and dates of each fair at which the animals have been in attendance." **Be sure to check with any other state that you are entering as their requirements may differ slightly.**

If an animal has been excluded from exhibition for any reason since the CVI was issued, the excluded animal will need a new CVI prior to its next fair. **Exhibitors must check with each state they plan to enter to ensure that they have met that state's import requirements.**

SEC. II. **Permanent, official identification:** All livestock, as defined in New Hampshire RSA 427:2 XVIII (below), must be individually identified by permanent, official metal or plastic tag, legible tattoo or microchip (providing a reader is available).

XVIII. " Livestock " shall include but not be limited to all beef and dairy cattle, steer, oxen, goats, sheep, swine, horses, mules, or other equidae, as well as domesticated strains of buffalo, bison, llamas, alpacas, emus, ostriches, rabbits, yaks, elk (Cervus canadensis), fallow deer (Dama dama), red deer (Cervus elephus), reindeer (Rangifer tarandus), and poultry

SEC. III. **Permit for Entry: Ratites, Camelids, Swine and/or Poultry:** Prior permit must be obtained and the number must appear on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Permits may be obtained by calling: (603) 271-2404 Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am - 4:00 p.m.

A. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- a. All animals must be in appropriate physical condition, be properly identified and be 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 should not be approved for entry.
- b. 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 requirements of the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program. Information on

approved tags, tattoos and electronic implants is available from the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food at 603-271-2404 or from the USDA APHIS office in Uxbridge, MA at 508-865-1421.

c. All livestock must have proper, official identification. For animals identified by microchip, readers should be available at the fairgrounds.

d. SEE INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH SPECIES LISTED BELOW.

e. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** *It shall be the responsibility of show superintendents to eject each animal showing indications of contagious disease.*

B. EXHIBITOR SELF-CERTIFICATION

a. There have been documented associations between human and non-human animal illnesses at several fairs in New England over the past few years, as well as the ongoing presence of highly pathogenic avian influenza in the region. The risk of future occurrences of high consequence disease transmission at fairs is real and carries potentially profound implications. As such, the department believes it very important to assure that every animal entering a fairground is checked by a fair authority to assure it is in good condition upon arrival. In order to improve exhibitor ownership and recognition of their responsibility to the protection of human and animal health at the fair, the department encourages all fairs to use the *Fair Exhibitor's Self-Certification of Animal Health*. This **does not supersede** any of the guidelines or requirements contained herein. As noted above, this also **should not replace** fair personnel or a veterinarian in the process of checking animals into the fair. Rather, it is intended to both improve the efficiency of the check-in process and make exhibitor's more aware of and accountable for the health status of their animals throughout the entire fair season. If necessary, this system should also allow for a more rapid trace back to the source of a disease incident. This assessment and certification should be completed no more than 24 hours prior to the animal(s) entering the fairgrounds. At the time of entry, it should be reviewed, along with each animal, by the party responsible for checking animals into the fair. The department encourages and strongly supports any efforts by each fair to adopt the completion of said certificate by all exhibitors as a necessary entrance requirement. The certificate should be kept with the animals and should be available for review at any time by fair personnel.

C. RABIES RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. The State Veterinarian recommends that all domestic animals should be immunized for rabies at least 30 days before attending the fairs. Domestic animals that do not have a licensed rabies immunization available (i.e., rabbits, pigs, and goats) may be immunized "extra-label". They can still receive the rabies shot but would not be recognized as an immunized animal. It is highly recommended that all animals displayed at the fairs be restrained in a manner that would not allow the public to be bitten or exposed to saliva. Rabies vaccines for show participants should be administered by a licensed veterinarian so as to assure the efficacious handling and administration of the vaccine.

D. RINGWORM:

a. Ringworm infection or any condition consistent with ringworm infection should exclude an animal from exhibition. An exception could be made for an animal which has been under the treatment of a veterinarian for the ringworm infection for at least *21 days* when the veterinarian certifies in writing that duration of treatment and that the lesion is no longer infectious to other livestock or humans. This is a reasonable manner in which to mitigate risks to animal and public health from a relatively common disease condition without excluding excessive numbers of animals. Exhibitors should be made aware of the need to consult a veterinarian well in advance to arrange treatment sufficient to meet this standard.

E. CATTLE:

- a. New Hampshire Animals - See Sec. II, Permanent Identification required. All cattle must originate from non-quarantined Tuberculosis negative herds and Brucellosis negative herds under state supervision. Each exhibition may establish additional requirements at their discretion.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I and II. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and Permanent Identification required. All cattle originating from Tuberculosis accredited-free and Brucellosis classified-free states and Canadian provinces may enter the state of New Hampshire without testing. Cattle not originating from Tuberculosis accredited-free and Brucellosis classified-free states and Canadian provinces must meet the following requirements:
 - i. All cattle must originate from Tuberculosis negative and Brucellosis negative, non-quarantined herds and must have been tested within 30 days for Brucellosis and within 60 days to Tuberculosis prior to entry for the first show of the current season.
 - ii. Cattle under 18 months of age which are official vaccinates may enter New Hampshire without a Brucellosis test, but the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must show a record of such vaccination.
 - iii. Calves under 179 days of age from Tuberculin negative herds under supervision tested within one year may enter the state without a test, if properly identified as progeny of a tuberculin tested dam.

F. STEERS, SPAYED HEIFERS & OXEN:

- a. must meet the same requirements as stated above for Tuberculosis. No Brucellosis requirement.

G. GOATS:

- a. New Hampshire Animals - See Sec. II, Permanent Identification required. All goats must originate from non-quarantined herds and be clinically free from infectious and communicable diseases including lymphadenitis, staphylococcal infection, foot rot, contagious ecthyma (sore mouth), scabies or scrapie; nor shall they be progeny of goats known to be infected with scrapie.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I and II. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and Permanent Identification required. All goats originating from Tuberculosis accredited-free and Brucellosis classified-free states and Canadian provinces may enter the state of New Hampshire without testing. Goats not originating from Tuberculosis accredited-free and Brucellosis classified-free states and Canadian provinces must meet the following requirements:
 - i. All goats 6 months of age or older must originate from non-quarantined, Tuberculosis negative and Brucellosis negative herds and must have been tested within 30 days for Brucellosis and within 60 days to Tuberculosis prior to entry for the first show of the current season.
 - ii. All goats under 6 months of age must be identified as progeny of a negative Brucellosis and Tuberculosis tested dam.
 - iii. All goats must be clinically free from all other infectious and communicable diseases including lymphadenitis, staphylococcal infection, foot rot, contagious ecthyma (sore mouth), scabies or scrapie, and shall not be progeny of goats known to be infected with scrapie.
- c. Goats Enrolled in the Voluntary Scrapie Program - In order to lower the risk of scrapie transmission, goat herds that are enrolled in the scrapie eradication program should follow the following guidelines:
 - i. Be kept separate from non-enrolled goats by a vacant pen, a barn alley, or a solid physical barrier (such as metal, wood, canvas) sufficient to prevent any physical contact between enrolled and non-enrolled goats.
 - ii. Limit contacts in the show or sales ring to minimize risk of scrapie transmission. These contacts take place between animals off the herd's premises and not during or immediately after kidding. Limited contacts do not include commingling, which means the grouping of animals together with free physical contact.
- d. Prevent contact with kidding animals at exhibits or sales. Kidding increases the exposure potential.

H. SWINE:

- a. New Hampshire Animals - See Sec. II, Permanent Identification required. All swine must originate from non-quarantined, Brucellosis and Pseudorabies Free herds and be clinically free from all other infectious and communicable diseases.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I, II and III, Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, Permanent Identification and Permit required. All swine shall be Brucellosis Validated or progeny of non-quarantined Brucellosis Validated herd or originate from a validated Brucellosis-free state. All swine shall have a Pseudo-rabies (PRV) negative test within 30 days of entry or originate from a Qualified Pseudorabies Negative herd or Pseudorabies class IV or free state.

I. SHEEP:

- a. New Hampshire Animals - See Sec. II, Permanent Identification required. All sheep must originate from a non-quarantined flock and animals must not have been exposed to scrapie, scabies or any other contagious or infectious disease, and shall not be the direct progeny (first generation) of any animal diagnosed as having scrapie.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I and II. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and permanent identification required. All sheep must originate from an inspected, non-quarantined flock; the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection shall state that the animals have not been exposed to scrapie, scabies or any other contagious or infectious disease; and the animal shall not be the progeny of a sire or dam that was infected with scrapie.
- c. Sheep Enrolled in the Voluntary Scrapie Program - In order to lower the risk of scrapie transmission, sheep flocks that are enrolled in the scrapie eradication program should follow the following guidelines:
 - i. Be kept separate from non-enrolled sheep by a vacant pen, a barn alley, or a solid physical barrier (such as metal, wood, canvas) sufficient to prevent any physical contact between enrolled and non-enrolled sheep.
 - ii. Limit contacts in the show or sales ring to minimize risk of scrapie transmission. These contacts take place between animals off the flock's premises and not during or immediately after lambing. Limited contacts do not include commingling, which means the grouping of animals together with free physical contact.
 - iii. Prevent contact with lambing animals at exhibits or sales. Lambing increases the exposure potential.

J. HORSES:

- a. New Hampshire Animals – A negative USDA-approved Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) test (i.e. Coggins or ELISA) within the previous twelve months is recommended.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection required. All equines entering the State of New Hampshire must be accompanied by a valid negative A.G.I.D. or ELISA (Coggins) test for Equine Infectious Anemia conducted within twelve months prior to entry. Entry permit not required.

NOTE: *It is strongly recommended that Show Management examine health certificates and EIA test papers for all horses. It is also recommended that all horses have EEE, tetanus, and equine herpes virus vaccines no less than 14 days and no more than one year prior to the date of the fair in addition to the rabies vaccine.*

K. POULTRY:

- a. New Hampshire Poultry - All poultry over 5 months of age must have been tested within one year for, and found negative to Salmonella Pullorum and avian influenza, must be identified by official leg band and must be progeny of Pullorum clean stock, and must be free of all clinical evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and exposure thereto.

- b. Out-of-State Poultry - See Sec. I, II and III. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection or NPIP VS Form 9-3 and Permit required. All poultry over 5 months of age must have been tested within 10 days for, and found negative to Salmonella Pullorum and avian influenza and must be identified by official leg band. All poultry under 5 months must be progeny of avian influenza and Pullorum clean stock and free of all infectious and contagious diseases and exposure thereto.

NOTE: *There continue to be wildlife findings of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in the region even though the waterfowl "migration" ended months ago. HPAI is still here, and apparently circulating in our wild, resident bird populations. The department has no current plans to prohibit poultry shows in the absence of widespread domestic bird findings, but the department still discourages any poultry shows for 2022. The department would actively support any entity that opts to skip shows this year, and would strongly encourage anyone planning a show to think hard about that decision. The department is available to discuss the various considerations.*

L. CERVIDAE, CAMELIDS AND BISON:

- a. New Hampshire Animals - All cervidae, camelids and bison must originate from non-quarantined herds.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I, II and III. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, Permanent Identification and Permit required. Camelids and bison must have a negative Brucellosis test within 30 days prior to the first show of the season and a negative Tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to the first show of the season.

NOTE: *No cervids may enter the state of New Hampshire for show purposes due to the threat of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD).*

M. RATITE (emu, rhea, ostrich, moa, kiwi and cassowary):

- a. New Hampshire Animals - All ratites must originate from a non-quarantined, Avian Influenza tested negative flock.
- b. Out-of-State Animals - See Sec. I, II and III. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, Permanent Identification and Permit required. All ratites must have been tested negative to pathological strains of Avian Influenza within 10 days of the fair.

N. BIO-SECURITY:

- a. When exhibiting animals at the fairs or shows, bring your own shovels, forks, brooms and wheel barrows for your personal use and do not allow them to be used by others. Disinfect all of the hand tools, including the wheel barrows, feed tubs and your boots and shoes before going back to the farm.
- b. Consider isolating all animals returning to your farm from the animals left at home for a period of time to minimize transmission of diseases that may have been picked up at the show.
- c. Do not allow the public to walk in the feed areas and do not allow manure contamination of the feed or feeding areas.
- d. There are many diseases, such as Johnes, E. Coli, Salmonella, etc., that can be spread at fairs and brought back to the farm. Do your best to prevent the spread of these and other organisms.

DEERFIELD FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC.

603-463-7421

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries are open to all in each department unless otherwise stated.
2. Entries shall be made in writing and must be **RECEIVED** by the Deerfield Fair Association no later than **September 10, 2024**. Mail to Fair Secretary, PO Box 156, Deerfield, NH, 03037-0156. You may also drop off at the Administration Building at 34 Stage Rd.
3. Premiums will not be paid on articles or animals removed from exhibition prior to the official closing time of the Fair, which is 7:00pm, Sunday, September 29, 2024.
4. If entries are received in excess of accommodations available, the Association reserves the right to reject entries at its discretion.
5. The Association reserves the right to pro-rate or defer premiums if necessary.
6. Exhibitors have the right to sell their exhibits but they may not be removed during the Fair without forfeiture of premiums.
7. **Special department regulations will apply as specified at the heading of each department.**
8. The Association will employ security personnel and exercise due care, but it assumes no responsibility for any loss or damage from any cause that may occur to any animal or article on exhibition, and upon this condition only are entries received.
9. No vehicle may enter or move on the grounds after 8:00am daily or prior to the official closing time of the Fair or at any time that security deems it unsafe.
10. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the fairgrounds.
11. No pets are allowed on the fairgrounds.
12. All show animals must be vaccinated for rabies.
13. The Association assumes no responsibility for injuries caused by any animal during the Fair.
14. Decisions of the judges and/or Fair officials are final in all matters.

INFORMATION

Hay, grain, and bedding are available on the grounds at current prices. No person 13 years of age or older shall be allowed to enter the fairgrounds without being in possession of a pass or paying the admission price. Parking will be allowed only in designated areas. Vehicles improperly parked are subject to be towed at owner's expense.

All campers must be PRE-REGISTERED for a space inside the fairgrounds. NO EXCEPTIONS.

FREE PARKING

GENERAL ADMISSION TO GROUNDS: \$12.00 DAILY

CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER: FREE

SENIOR CITIZEN DAYS: THURSDAY AND FRIDAY ONLY: \$9.00 (Sold at Gate *only* NOT Sold in Advance)

MILITARY PERSONNEL WITH CURRENT ID: FREE

SAVE TIME & AVOID THE LINE!

BUY YOUR ADVANCE TICKETS *ONLINE* OR AT THE OFFICE.

CALL THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE FOR DETAILS AT 603-463-7421.

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Or Visit us on Facebook at *Deerfield Fair*

COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AWARD FOR AGRICULTURAL EXCELLENCE

Criteria

1. Awards shall recognize exhibits which promote a better understanding of agricultural/rural life.
2. Awards may be given to individuals, farms, businesses or organizations.
3. Awards shall be given based upon assessment of the following:
 - a. Organization and neatness;
 - b. Ability to convey clear information or message;
 - c. Conformity to generally accepted practices such as animal cleanliness, proper preparation of produce, adherence to state or Federal grade and quality standards, etc.;
 - d. Clear identification of exhibitor - name and home town;
 - e. Integration with overall goals of the individual fair;
 - f. Originality.
4. Awards shall not be given to an exhibitor more than once in three years.
5. Awards shall be determined by judges appointed by the Commissioner of Agriculture, Markets and Food.

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP
New Hampshire Association of Fairs and Expositions
Drug Testing Agreement

DATE: _____

NAME OF FAIR/EVENT: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____

Class Entered: _____ Animal Info: HORSE _____ OX _____ PONY _____

Name: _____ Name: _____

Breed: _____ Breed: _____

Age: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Desc: _____ Desc: _____

OWNER'S NAME & ADDRESS:

OWNER'S NAME & ADDRESS:

TEAMSTER'S NAME & ADDRESS (If Different from Owner):

The Fair will be conducting random drug testing on selected or all pulling event animals. If your animal tests positive on the initial test, the sample will be sent to the Florida diagnostic lab for confirmatory testing. If the Florida Lab confirms a positive test on the sample, both the owner (or owners, in the case of split teams), and the teamster, if not listed as the owner, will be required to return all premiums earned from the class in which the animal tested positive and all classes the positive animal participated in during the entire remaining venue. The owner(s) and teamsters will also be suspended from pulling for one (1) year at all NH fairs from the date the Association receives the notification confirming the positive test. A letter indicating this suspension will come from the NH Association of Fairs & Expositions. **Suspension of all parties remains in effect until all premiums have been repaid.** There will be **NO** appeal process available, all confirmatory tests are final.

Note: Absolutely no alcohol in the pulling area or arena! Violation of this request will result in disqualification and forfeiture of all premiums!

No one working with the veterinarian during testing should be an exhibitor, employee of the fair, or associated with the pulling.

I (We) have read the above and understand that this will be a final decision, and also understand there is no appeal process.

Signature of Owner

Signature of Owner

Signature of Teamster (if different from owner)

DEPARTMENT D

WORKING OXEN

JP KEATING, *Superintendent*, Barnstead, NH, Tel. 603-269-5481
 ROBYN LADD, *Assistant Superintendent*, Epsom, NH, Tel. 603-798-4470
Judge to Be Announced
Saturday, September 28, 2024
8:00am

PLEASE READ HEALTH REGULATIONS
ALL OXEN MUST BE VACCINATED FOR RABIES

VETERINARIAN WILL INSPECT ALL ANIMALS BEFORE UNLOADING

YOU MUST HAVE ANIMALS THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN THESE EVENTS AND STAYING ON THE GROUNDS OVERNIGHT TO HAVE A CAMPER. ALL CAMPERS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED. PLEASE REFER TO LIVESTOCK CAMPING FORMS.

PARKING IN THE G-GATE AREA WILL BE IN RESTRICTED AREAS BY DEPARTMENT AND WILL BE VERY LIMITED. IF YOU HAVE NOT PREPAID FOR AN OUTSIDE CAMPER SPACE YOU MUST GET A DFA-G STICKER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT TO PARK ANY VEHICLES OR TRAILERS IN THIS AREA. MOST VEHICLES WILL PARK IN THE GENERAL PARKING LOT.
ALL VEHICLES/CAMPERS MUST HAVE A DFA-G STICKER VISIBLE ON THE WINDSHIELD OR THEY WILL BE TOWED.

May enter "best pair" or "best working" classes

Class	Description	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
1.	Best Single Steer, one per exhibitor Calves to 1 year old, well-fitted and shown on a halter	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$30
2.	Best Single Steer, one per exhibitor Over 1 year and under 4 years of age, well-fitted and shown on a halter	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$30
3.	Best Pair Oxen—5 Years or Over	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
4.	Best Pair Oxen— 4 Years	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
5.	Best Pair 3-Year-Old Steers	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
6.	Best Pair 2-Year-Old Steers	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
7.	Best Pair 1-Year-Old Steers	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
8.	Best Pair Handled Calves	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
9.	Best Pair Working 1-Year-Old Steers	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
10.	Best Pair Working 2-Year-Old Steers	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
11.	Best Pair Working 3-Year-Old Steers	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
12.	Best Pair Working 4-Year-Old Oxen	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40
13.	Best Pair Working 5-Year-Old Oxen or Over	\$55	\$50	\$45	\$40

DEPARTMENT E

OXEN PULLING

JP KEATING, *Superintendent*, Barnstead, NH, Tel. 603-269-5481
ROBYN LADD, *Assistant Superintendent*, Epsom, NH, Tel. 603-798-4470

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- A. Exhibitors should be familiar with the GENERAL RULES located in the front of this section.
- B. All steers and oxen must be on the grounds by 8:00am, Thursday.
- C. Oxen will be weighed on the day they are to pull. WEIGHT CHECK FROM 7:00AM TO 8:00AM ONLY – OFFICIAL WEIGHING FROM 7:00AM TO 9:00AM ONLY.
- D. **The Jr. Steer Contest (Department C) open to all participants in the oxen barn.**
- E. No person is allowed in the enclosure when teams are pulling except the OWNER, DRIVER, HELPER, or OFFICIAL.
- F. If the pit is not in good condition, the committee reserves the right to close or reopen any class at any time.
- G. The judges reserve the right to accept or reject any entry at any time.
- H. Each team will be allowed three (3) hitches to draw the load six feet. After each round of teams, the load will be increased as the judges require. Any team failing to draw the load six feet with three hitches is out of the contest. When the final round of the contest is reached, teams will receive money prizes according to the greatest number of inches drawn. In case of a tie, the team that has the next-best measured draw will be the winner. When just two teams are left, and one teamster wishes to withdraw, he must do so before the boat is reloaded, or he is disqualified. Any forward motion measuring one (1) inch or more will be called a hitch and the drag must be reset. If an animal has its foot over the rail while hitched to the boat, it will be called a hitch with no measure. Any team deliberately driven over the rail will be disqualified from the contest.
- I. In case of a breakdown while drawing, the teamster will have the choice of taking that measure or an extra pull.
- J. There shall be a limit of five minutes for three hitches, and time will be taken out when the boat is reset.
- K. Teams shall have only one driver and no driver can be changed during the draw, unless permitted by the judges. No hitching persons will be allowed to help in any way after the team is hitched to the boat.
- L. Any participant under the influence of alcohol will be disqualified. Animals, owners, drivers, or helper may be disqualified at any time by the judges, either for the violation of one or more of the conditions of the draw, or because the contesting team's condition is such as to render it cruel or inadvisable to permit future participation.
- M. Decisions will be left to the discretion of the judges, concerning ANY situation that may arise that is not covered by the rules.

Thursday, September 26, 2024

Time	Description	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
9:30	2,050 Pounds and Under	\$280	\$265	\$250	\$235	\$220	\$200
11:30	2,450 Pounds and Under	\$300	\$285	\$270	\$255	\$240	\$225
6:30	Free-for-All, <u>12 Foot Pull</u>	\$370	\$340	\$300	\$270	\$240	\$220

Friday, September 27, 2024

Time	Description	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
10:00	2,850 Pounds and Under	\$300	\$285	\$270	\$255	\$240	\$225

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Time	Description	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
10:00	3,250 Pounds and Under	\$300	\$285	\$270	\$255	\$240	\$225
12:30	Free-for-All, <u>6 Foot Pull</u>	\$370	\$340	\$300	\$270	\$240	\$220

Sunday, September 29, 2024

Time	Description	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
11:00	3,650 Pounds and Under	\$300	\$285	\$275	\$255	\$240	\$220

GENERAL ENTRY FORM

DEERFIELD FAIR 2024

(Not for Poultry, Sheep, or School Department)

Mail Entries to: Fair Secretary, PO Box 156, Deerfield, NH 03037
 or Drop off at the Administration Building at 34 Stage Road

**IF ENTERING INTO MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT,
 PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH DEPARTMENT**
 THIS ENTRY FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEERFIELD FAIR
 NO LATER THAN **SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

Exhibitors should be familiar with the **GENERAL RULES** located in the front of this section,
 as well as **SPECIFIC RULES** pertinent to each individual department.

JUVENILE: YES ___ AGE ___ NO ___ 4-H EXHIBITOR ALSO? YES ___ NO ___
 DID YOU EXHIBIT IN 2023? YES ___ NO ___ NUMBER OF ANIMALS TO BE PENNED _____

DEPT.	SECTION	CLASS	DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name _____ Date _____

Street/RFD/PO Box _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

I have read and agree to abide by all **RULES** and **REGULATIONS** of the Deerfield Fair Association, Inc.

 (Signature of Exhibitor) Date _____