

Elite East Information 2016

General Entry Information – All Animals

- Entry fees for all entries must accompany the respective entry form.
- Entry fees will be as follows; Entries postmarked or delivered to Farmers Cooperative in Frederick, Maryland by March 28th, 2016 - fees will be \$10 per entry animal.
- Entries postmarked or delivered to Farmers Cooperative in Frederick, Maryland after March 28th 2016 (including day of show & sale) - \$15 per entry animal. Animals will not be accepted at show & sale without entry form and payment on file or in hand. All entry fees are non-refundable. Entry fees may be paid by cash, check or credit card. Payment may be made the morning of the show & sale, but must be paid prior to check-in. DO NOT MAIL CASH.
- All Animals entries must be in place by 8:00am on the day of the Show, Saturday, April 9th.
- All animals selected for the respective sales (female and male) must be offered for sale.
- The 2016 Elite East will be a sifted show. Animals sifted during the show will not be eligible for the sale. The Judge's decision is final. Any conflicts with rules will be dealt with on a case by case basis.
- Checks will be mailed within 21 business days. A six percent (6%) seller's premium will be deducted from the selling price after the sale. All animals sales will incur this premium. All sales will be paid for by cash or check the day of the sale.
- Animals are not to be loaded until the sale is complete, and proper documentation of payment is presented.

Rules- Hogs

- *No clipping the day of the event.*
 - Should weigh between 40 and 70 pounds (not required).
 - Should be born between January 1, 2016 - March 12, 2016.
 - All purebred pigs that show in the purebred class must have a pedigree that accompanies each entry. Breeders will be responsible for providing pedigrees on the day of the sale or transferring them within a timely manner as to avoid unnecessary fees.
 - Entries are open to all swine breeds and all crossbreds. Classes will be divided by breed, sex, and age.
 - There is no limit to pigs (barrows, boars or gilts) per exhibitor.
 - Castrated males must be completely healed.
- * Maryland has rescinded the no clipping rule. Breeders will be allowed to clip pigs this year, but we request that they not be clipped the day of the event.

NEW POLICIES:

1. CVIs: There is a new Maryland Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) Form that will replace both Interstate and Intrastate CVIs in Maryland. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVIs) originating in Maryland for both interstate and intrastate movement will be called "Maryland CVIs". The same form used for movement to exhibitions within Maryland ("intrastate") will be used for sale or movement of animals from Maryland to another state ("interstate"). There are separate boxes on the new Maryland CVI form to designate "Interstate" movement, "Exhibition" and "Sale".
 - a. Forms marked "Exhibition" will be valid for 90 days for movement to an Exhibition (fair or show) within Maryland
 - b. Forms marked "Interstate" will be valid for 30 days for out of state (interstate) movement.
 - c. Forms marked "Sale" will be valid for 30 days for purposes of sale.

CONTINUING POLICIES:

1. Animal Identification Requirements: In 2016, there will be a continuation of 2015 of Federal and State Animal Identification requirements. All animals except rabbits must have "Official Identification"

to enter exhibitions. In most cases, this means the animal will have to be identified using an official USDA or MD tag that is associated with a registered premise. Official Identification criteria and examples are provided at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/traceability/materials.shtml>. These requirements specifically affect:

a. Swine: Recognized breed ear notches or tattoos will not be acceptable as official identification in Maryland exhibitions. Swine must have tags bearing official identification.

c. Sheep and Goats: All sheep and goats must be officially scrapie-identified. Official identification for sheep and goats include the following:

i. USDA-approved eartags;

ii. Legible registration tattoos, for which the registration paper shall accompany the animals; or iii. Legible tattoos consisting of an individual animal number unique within the flock in one ear and the official scrapie premise identification number (flock ID) in the other ear, except that the tail web or flank may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears and must be accompanied by an owner statement. Official identification tags may be requested from the Maryland Department of Agriculture by calling 410-841-5810 or emailing animal.disease.traceability@maryland.gov. To receive official sheep and goat ear tags or devices for interstate movement: Call 1-866-USDATAG (866-873-2824) to be connected to your local Veterinary Services Area Office and request that a premises identification number

2. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) Requirements:

a. CVIs must be submitted by veterinarians to the Maryland Department of Agriculture within 7 days of inspection.

b. Veterinarians completing Maryland CVIs must fill out these forms completely, accurately, and legibly and include official identification information on the CVIs. Repeated failure to comply with requirements for MD CVI completion is grounds for loss of Accreditation. Only the examining veterinarian may sign MD CVIs.

c. There is no requirement for review, approval and stamping of the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) prior to the animals going to the fair, show or exhibition.

d. Falsification of information on MD CVIs or failure to properly complete MD CVIs are violations of State law and subject to fines up to \$10,000 (Agriculture Title 3 §3-118). Maryland Department of Agriculture 3 Requirements for Sponsors of a Livestock/Poultry Exhibition (COMAR 15.11.14.05)

A. MARYLAND ENTRIES: All Maryland entries must be accompanied by a Maryland Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) for show.

- The Maryland CVI is valid for 90 days for fairs and shows, providing that the status of the herd or animal(s) does not change.

- The Maryland CVI is a legible record, made on an official Maryland State form, issued by an accredited veterinarian, issued for animals being shown within the state and not crossing a state line, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland.

- The Maryland CVI must be filled out, completed and signed by an accredited veterinarian using the proper selected report on the CVI form. Each animal must be properly identified on the CVI. The veterinarian must select if this document is for interstate travel, fair and exhibition season, equine, sale or other (with explanation).

- The veterinarian is required to send the original top (white) copy to MDA Headquarters within 7 days of completion, the middle (yellow) transport copy is to be retained by the owner of the livestock and the last (pink) copy is for the veterinarian's records.

B. OUT OF STATE ENTRIES: All out-of-state entries must be accompanied by an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection,

- The Interstate CVI is valid for no more than 30 days from the date of inspection.

- An Interstate CVI is a legible record, made on an official form of the state of origin, issued by an accredited veterinarian, and issued for animals being imported to this state within 30 days before the entry of the animals, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland.

- An APPROVED copy of this certificate must be forwarded by the State of Origin to the Animal Health Section within 30 days of completion.

3. SELF CERTIFICATION: A completed Self Certification is required for all entries except for equine entering equine only events.

- Self-Certification forms must be filled out within 24 hours prior to loading and presented upon request to the designated representative.
- A Self Certification is a an official Maryland document signed by the owner/caretaker/transporter stating that the animals presented for exhibition are not showing any signs of, or having recent exposure to (within 21 days) infectious or contagious diseases.
- There are species specific Self Certification forms for livestock (ruminants, swine), equine, poultry and rabbits. See species specific requirement below for copies of species specific Self Certification Forms.

Health Regulations- Hogs

- All health certificates must carry the following statements:

“Farm or origin of the swine has not had pseudorabies or swine dysentery in the last 12 months, has not had any clinical signs or diagnosis of TGE or PEDv in the last 60 days, feeds no garbage, uses no PRV vaccine, and is not under quarantine for any disease condition; also that vesicular stomatitis has not been diagnosed within 10 miles of the farm of origin within the last 30 days.”

Maryland Swine Identification: Swine shall be individually identified by an official ear tag. Ear notches or tattoos will not be accepted for official identification. (metal tags or 840 tags)

Brucellosis: Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland swine.

Tuberculosis: Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland swine.

Immunization: Leptospirosis is recommended.

Out-of-State Swine Identification: Swine shall be individually identified by an official ear tag. Ear notches or tattoos will not be accepted for official identification.

Immunization: Leptospirosis is recommended

- All animals entering the Frederick County Fairgrounds must meet these health regulations:

• All swine entries (out of state) must be accompanied by an official transport copy of an interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. CVI required- must be written by an accredited vet 30 days of entry into MD and must include ear tag or ear notch, tattoo number, description of animals, and the date shipped. Test results must also be included on the CVI. The interstate (CVI) is only valid for 30 days from the date of issuance. All out of state breeders must obtain a permit number. Permit numbers can be obtained by calling (410) 841-5810 at least 10 days prior to the Elite East Show & Sale. Ear Notches identification is not acceptable for crossbred animals.

*** In state entries have to have intrastate papers.**

- All animals will be inspected for general health upon presentation. Those showing clinical signs of ANY contagious or infectious disease must be removed from the Show, and Fairgrounds. In such cases the

health certificate may be modified, suspended or revoked.

- Where immunization is recommended or required it must be done in conformity with standard procedures and practices consistent with the development of immunity PRIOR to entering Fairgrounds.

- It is recommended that all pigs be vaccinated for mycoplasma and swine influenza. Two injections given at least two weeks apart is preferred. These products are available commercially from several vaccine companies. This is not a sale requirement.

- **All pigs must be vaccinated for circovirus. This is a sale requirement.**

Rules- Lambs

No clipping the day of the event.

- Lambs should be born after January 1, 2016
- Entries are open to all lamb breeds and crossbreeds
- Limit 4 lambs per exhibitor
- Males must be castrated
- Scrapie Tags MUST be in the ear of every sheep consigned
- All entries must be slick sheared above the knees and hocks prior to the sale
- It is required that all lambs be slick shorn prior to entry for inspection for club lamb fungus.
- All Lambs have been vaccinated with CD&T and dewormed.
- Wethers: All wethers must be castrated

Non Sale entered sheep are not allowed in the barns

Sale Guarantee- Lambs/ Goats

- All guarantees shall constitute a contract between the buyer and seller only, and no other parties assume any liability, legal or otherwise, expressed or implied.
- Neither the Sale Managers nor the Sale Committee can or will assume any responsibility as to the authenticity of the pedigrees, bloodline or DNA information provided by the consignor, or otherwise, and the subsequent genetic performance of any sheep purchased. All such information must be accepted at face value. Any special guarantees or claims offered by individual consignors is strictly between the consignor and buyer, and will not be enforced by the sale management or committee.
- The number of sheep selling will be determined after the sift is complete.

There will be NO Floor on the sale of the animals. All animals entering the sale ring will be sold to the highest bidder.

Sale Format- Lambs

- Sale will be a Live Auction
- Payment must be made promptly after the sale, cash or good check
- Ask about delivery arrangements if needed. Animals should be removed at the close of the sale, unless prior arrangements are made

- Farmers Cooperative Sale Committee and Management reserve the right to refuse any entries for failure to comply with any of the rules of the sale.

SHEEP All Sheep: General Requirements Identification for Sheep:

All sheep must be officially scrapie-identified. Official identification for sheep include the following:

1. USDA-approved eartags;
2. Legible registration tattoos, for which the registration paper shall accompany the animals; or 3. Legible tattoos consisting of an individual animal number unique within the flock in one ear and the official scrapie premise identification number (flock ID) in the other ear, except that the tail web or flank may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears and must be accompanied by an owner statement.

4. A microchip ID with official scrapie identification is acceptable if the owner provides the reader. Maryland and Out of State Sheep

No additional requirements. may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears and must be accompanied by an owner statement.

- d. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Rules- Goats

No clipping the day of the event.

- Just note that some Goat ages are not allow at all fairs.
- Entries are open to all meat goat breeds and crossbreds
- Limit 3 Goats per exhibitor
- Males must be castrated
- Scrapie Tags MUST be in the ear of every sheep consigned
- All entries must be slick sheared above the knees and hocks prior to the sale
- It is required that all lambs be slick shorn prior to entry for inspection for club lamb fungus.
- All Goats have been vaccinated with CD&T and dewormed.
- Wethers: All wethers must be castrated

Maryland Goats Brucellosis:

Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland goats.

Tuberculosis: Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland goats.

Out-of-State Goats

Tuberculosis: 1. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States, Region or Zone: No tuberculin test required.

2. Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free) a. All goats over 6 months of age shall comply with the following: i. Goats must originate from herds in which all animals are tested negative within past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test, may be imported without a tuberculin test, or ii. Any individual animal entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import. b. Status of herd and area must be shown on certificate

- <http://mda.maryland.gov/animalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows>