

How To: Exhibiting Animals



Before fair:

- Gather required health documents.
- **BE SURE TO BRING** all your necessary paperwork
 - 1) Completed Animal Load Check-In Sheet
 - 2) Animal Specific Veterinary paperwork
 - 3) Species dependant paperwork (check below)
 - You can find this information on the website: ([Animal Exhibitors Rules and Regulations](#))
 - **ALL Animals- Animal Load Check-In Sheet**- fill out before getting in line, for each animal and load, make sure it is complete, name, address, animal, id's etc.
 - [Fair-Check-IN-Animal-Sheet.pdf](#)
 - If more than one exhibitor shares paperwork, make a copy for each exhibitor
 - If animal health papers are not in the name of the exhibitor, clearly print the exhibitor name on the paperwork.
 - Animals coming **from outside of Wisconsin**, see requirements in fairbook.
 - **All animals must have some form of identification**, tag, tattoo, marker, notching, (horse-pict/descrip on Coggins) Example: guinea pigs - sharpie # or name in the ear

Animal Requirements

- **Dairy & Beef**- Identification
- **Swine-certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI or health certificate)**: Stating that the entire herd of origin was inspected on the farm within 30 days before the show and showed no signs of disease.
- **Sheep & Goats**- Make sure the entire **Scrapies number** is on the Animal Load Check-In Sheet. For example WI313 next line 000569, on load form put WI313 000569. Animals with tattoo identification should have copies of registration proof from breed organization & USDA paperwork honoring breed tattoo as scrapies identification.
- **Horse-Coggins** - **Bring a copy of your Coggins, it will be collected.**
- **Poultry-Proof of birds testing** NPIP certificate stating the flock of origin is US pullorum-typhoid clean and for turkeys a Mycoplasma gallisepticum clean flock or NPIP Affiliate Flock or
For eggs and birds of all ages documentation the flock of origin is WI tested Flock and tested negative for pullorum-typhoid clean **sheet, will be collected**
- **Rabbits-Identification (tattoo, marker)**
- **Poultry-Proof of birds testing** NPIP certificate stating the flock of origin is US pullorum-typhoid clean and for turkeys a Mycoplasma gallisepticum clean flock or NPIP Affiliate Flock or
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- **Domesticated Exotics**- Goat/Sheep see above; Equine, see above, Swine see above, Llamas/Alpacas-identification (description)
- **Dog**- Proof of Vaccination
- **Cat**- Proof of Vaccination

Barns-

- Shavings/chips may be added in stalls/pens no earlier than Sunday, July 5th
- Work with your club(s) to come up with barn decorations
Theme- **Sauk County Fair 2026, 250 Years of American Stars, Stripes and Agriculture!**
Be creative.
 - Decorations should fit within the fair theme
- Double check you have everything ready to go and prepped for fair week using this link ([Junior Fair Information](#))

During fair:

- **Monday, July 6th:**
 - Cat show
 - Time: 6:30 p.m.
 - Location: Jay's Ag & Turf Show Arena (Progress Hall)

- Arrive to progress hall between 5:30-6pm with animal's health vaccination records for a vet check
 - Exhibitor should have their name on provided veterinary paperwork that is in the name of their parents, farm or others
- Exhibitor should have a cage and can decorate it if they want to participate in the decoration contest
 - Cages should be no larger than 2ft x2ft
- Parking is not monitored, park in the lot.
- Contact department superintendents (Jean Bonham & Mary Bonham) for more questions
- **Tuesday, July 7th:**
 - **Dog show**
 - **Time: 5 p.m.**
 - **Location: Jay's Ag & Turf Show Arena (Progress Hall)**
 - Arrive to progress hall between 4-4:30pm to get your animals and other items set up and ready before the show, communicate with your department superintendent (Katie Cook Teniente) for any questions regarding this
 - Exhibitor should have their name on provided veterinary paperwork that is in the name of their parents, farm or others
 - Parking- lot is monitored, have a pass or \$5.00, or walk-in free.

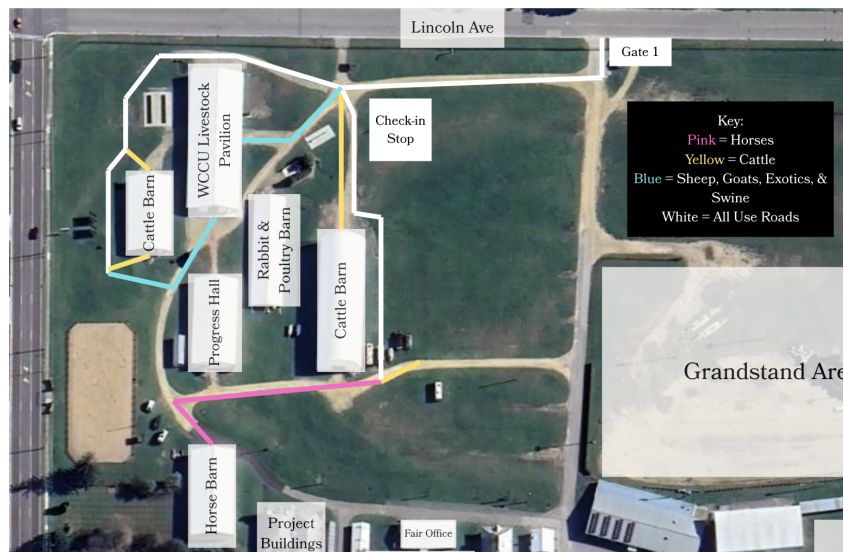


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- **Wednesday, July 8th:**

- **Animal check in** **Time: 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

- Animal check in runs from 7am-1pm on Wednesday and **all animals MUST be checked in by 1 p.m.** (do not wait till the last minute to check in your animals, no matter how many you are bringing)
- Enter through Gate 1 (the southern most gate off of Lincoln Ave) and immediately turn right following the fence, here you will meet check-in staff
- **BE SURE TO BRING** all your necessary paperwork
 - You can find this information on the website: ([Animal Exhibitors Rules and Regulations](#))
 - The paperwork must be completely filled in or you will be asked to get out of line
- Then follow the designated paths to the proper animal barn and unload all needed items in a timely manner, making sure you are cautious of others unloading and driving by
 - Rabbits and poultry will park in the grass and walk over items and animals
- Once unloaded, approved trailers from projects/clubs/chapters are allowed to park trailers, in designated areas on the grounds, check with your superintendents on this.



- All Animal Exhibitor Meeting

- Time: 3:30 p.m.
- Location: Jay's Ag & Turf Show Arena (Progress Hall)
- **All animal exhibitors MUST attend this meeting** (excluding cats and dogs)

- **Other information during fair week:**

- A veterinarian is on call and walks through daily
 - If the vet sees any problems and decides it is necessary to send an animal home, that animal will go home, no arguments
 - **The veterinarian has the final decision**
- **Wash racks** are located on the north and south sides of the WCCU Livestock Pavillion, all animals on the grounds use these racks
 - Be sure to respect all species, do not exclude certain animals/exhibitors from using the racks
- When walking animals around the grounds, be sure to stay close to the barns and do not travel too far from the animal's stall
 - Be respectful of fair-goers and other species that are also using the grounds at the same time
- Use this opportunity to serve as a spokesperson for agriculture and the fair
 - Answer questions from fairgoers, engage and use your experience and knowledge to teach the public about your animals
 - Be passionate and speak highly of all exhibitors, species, and fairs

After fair:

- Sunday, July 12th:
 - All exhibit and animal buildings close and are released to go home
 - Time: 4 p.m.
 - No animals, projects, tack, decorations, feed, or other items will be removed and will not leave the barn/stalls until this time
 - All non-animal exhibits, poultry, and rabbits must be out of buildings
 - Time: 5 p.m.
 - All animals must be removed from the grounds
 - Time: 6 p.m.
- Be sure to send thank you letters to all sponsors of awards you have received



All Junior Animal Shows:

- Monday, July 6th:
 - Cat show
 - Time: 6:30 p.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall (Jay's Ag & Turf Show Arena)
- Tuesday, July 7th:
 - Dog show
 - Time: 5 p.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall (Jay's Ag & Turf Show Arena)
- Wednesday, July 8th:
 - Sheep Show
 - Time: 5 p.m.
 - Location: WCCU Livestock Pavilion
- Thursday, July 9th:
 - Swine Show
 - Time: 8 a.m.
 - Location: WCCU Livestock Pavilion
 - Rabbit Showmanship
 - Time: 9 a.m.
 - Location: Rabbit & Poultry Barn
 - Horse Jumping & Dressage Show
 - Time: 9 a.m.
 - Location: Horse Arena
 - Beef Show
 - Time: 9:30 a.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall
 - Poultry Show
 - Time: 12 p.m.
 - Location: Rabbit & Poultry Barn
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 - Time: 12:30 p.m.
 - Location: Rabbit & Poultry Barn
 - Goat Show
 - Time: 5 p.m.
 - Location: WCCU Livestock Pavilion

- Friday, July 10th:
 - Dairy Show
 - Time: 8 a.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall
 - Horse Speed/Gymkhana Show
 - Time: 9 a.m.
 - Location: Horse Arena
 - Exotics Show
 - Time: 5 p.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall
- Saturday, July 11th:
 - Horse Pleasure Show
 - Time: 9 a.m.
 - Location: Horse Arena
 - Live Market Animal Sale
 - Time: 1 p.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall
- Sunday, July 12th:
 - Horse Fun Show
 - Time: 10 a.m.
 - Location: Horse Arena
 - Master Showman
 - Time: 10 a.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall
 - Little Britches Showmanship & Little Hoppers Exhibition Shows
 - Time: 11 a.m.
 - Location: Progress Hall