

# HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

## General Health Requirements

### Health Certificate and Permits

1. The term “health certificate” means a legible record made on an official form of the state of origin, issued by an accredited veterinarian, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet the health requirements of the state of destination. It must bare the official identification of each animal and a separate certificate must be made for

each species of animals entered. Permit numbers for all cattle are issued through the individuals State Veterinarians Office and must be printed on the health certificate.

2. Health papers must be presented before animals can be unloaded. Even though your state may not require you to vaccinate or have health papers, this is an Arkansas law and we will enforce it.

A health certificate issued within 30 days of the exhibition must accompany out-of-state animals and:

A. Must be available on request by Animal Health Officials.

B. Individually identify all animals, showing positive identification of each animal by tattoo, ear tag, or registration number.

C. Show required test and/or vaccination.

D. Show name and address of owner or exhibitor-this shall be the same name as under which animals are exhibited.

Any animal showing any evidence of infectious disease, and animals with active ringworm lesions (with resulting loss of hair), multiple warts easily visible without close examination will not be permitted to exhibit.

3. All animals out of areas quarantined because of diseases shall not be permitted to enter the State.

## OUT-OF-STATE-CATTLE

1. Must have a valid health certificate from veterinarian.

(a) Refer to Health Certificate and Permits

2. **Brucellosis Requirements**

(a) No brucellosis testing required.

(b) Brucellosis vaccination **NOT** required.

3. Negative TB test within 60 days of show on all cattle 6 months of age & older.

## ARKANSAS CATTLE

1. If Arkansas is a Class Free State Arkansas Cattle are exempt from brucellosis testing.

If Arkansas is not a Class Free State then the following requirements must be met:

(a) Negative brucellosis test within 90 days prior to show, for females' 6 months of age and over, and recorded on the health certificate.

(b) Animals originating from a Certified Brucellosis Free herd and Certified herd number shown on Health, Certificate, or

(c) Official calfhood vaccinated animals under 18 months of age are not required to be tested if Health Certificate shows record of vaccination.

(d) All heifers that have calved or are bred must be tested.

2. T.B. test is not required for Arkansas cattle.

3. All heifers that are 4 – 12 months of age shall be vaccinated before entering the show.

4. Heifers that were born on or after January 1, 1985, that are over 12 months of age and are not calfhood vaccinated will not be allowed to show.