

December 2018

Dear Exhibitor:

Your Dairy Cattle entries have been accepted for exhibit in the 2019 Farm Show, subject to the rules as stated in the Premium List at <https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/rules-regulations/Documents/Department%207%20-%20Dairy%20Cattle.pdf>.

Animals may arrive at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center after 3:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, and all must be in place by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8. All animals will be released at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 12, 2019.

Please remember that the Farm Show attracts thousands of visitors each year. It is to everyone's advantage to convey a favorable impression of the dairy cattle industry to the public. In addition to keeping your exhibit clean and orderly, you must keep at least 7 feet of aisle space open and unobstructed to allow movement of visitors and your cattle through the dairy barn. This includes wheelbarrows. Also, do not construct "houses" in your assigned area. Utilize the "Sharps" receptacles located on the various walls. Do not use coarse language or abusive force when working with your animals. Straw, ground corncobs, and shavings are the **ONLY** materials that may be used as bedding. One bag of shavings and one bale of straw per headboard will be provided by the Farm Show. Additional bags of shavings and bales of straw may be purchased at the feed room.

Carefully read all health rules listed in the Premium List. Please note the vaccination requirements for BVD, IBR, BRSV, and PI3 protection for all cattle on the following link at <http://www.farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/rules-regulations/Documents/General%20Rules%20and%20Regulations.pdf> in the **HEALTH RULES FOR BEEF CATTLE, STEERS, AND DAIRY CATTLE** section of the Premium List. Tuberculosis and Brucellosis tests are not required to exhibit cattle at the Farm Show. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is **required** for animals 3 months of age and older. A Certification of Veterinary Inspection must be issued within 30 days prior to the date of arrival at the show.

All cattle for exhibition must be identified by an ISO-compliant, 15-digit 840 RFID ear tag. An ISO-compliant, 15-digit 900 series RFID ear tag that was placed prior to January 1, 2015, will be accepted as official identification. Individual registration certificates must be presented to the breed secretaries at check-in.

Milk house operations hours and procedures can be found at www.farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/acceptance-info/Documents/MILKHOUSE%20OPERATION.pdf

Trailers will be parked at the grass lot beside the Elmerton Lot. PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE 2019 FARM SHOW LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR INFORMATION LETTER AT <https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/acceptance-info/Documents/LIVESTOCK%20EXHIBITOR%20INFO.pdf>.

IMPORTANT! CANCELLATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 23, 2018, IN ORDER TO AVOID THE \$100.00 PER ANIMAL PENALTY THAT WILL BE ASSESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY RULES SECTION, NUMBER 2, FOUND IN THE PREMIUM LIST AT <https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/rules-regulations/Documents/General%20Rules%20and%20Regulations.pdf>.

Sincerely,

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Show Manager

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