

CALHOUN COUNTY FAIR – ANIMAL TEST RULES & REGULATIONS

1. The use of any drug or chemical compound that is not approved by the Food and Drug Administration for use in meat animals constitutes unethical fitting. The illegal administration of approved drugs and compounds is also prohibited. All or any animals entered in the Youth Department are subject to blood, urine and tissue tests by the C.C.A.I.S., FDA and USDA for illegal and substances that exceed the acceptable levels established by the Food and Drug Administration, the Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank and Environmental Protection Agency. A positive test will result in disqualification of the animal and may forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit at any future Calhoun County Fair and forfeit any premium monies, trophies, special awards, youth livestock sales, and/or other considerations earned. If exhibitor requests second test, it will be at their expense. The exhibitor shall assume full responsibility for any violation of regulations related to drugs and medications include withdrawal times and the condemnation of carcasses due to drug rule/regulation violations.
2. No minimizing the effort of crampiness by feeding or injecting drugs, depressants or applying packs or using any artificial contrivance or therapeutic treatment except normal exercise.
3. No striking the animal to cause swelling in a depressed area.
4. No using alcoholic beverages, aspirin/aspirin types, and/or caffeine laced substances in the feed or administered as a drench.
5. No administering of medication or remedies without the prior parental exhibitor consent, and Fair official(s) notification.

Dear Exhibitor;

The Calhoun County Fair is instituting the MDA Meat Quality Assurance testing. All animals are subject to being drug tested by urine sample immediately after the animal(s) leave the show ring. Any animal is subject to testing at the discretion of the C.C.A.I.S. (Calhoun County Fair). The exhibitor and parent/legal guardian who owns the animal must be present when the sample is taken and sealed in the container.

You and your parents/legal guardians need to sign and date the bottom of this letter. Make a copy for your records.

Acknowledgment of USDA Meat Quality Assurance Testing

We are aware and acknowledge that meat quality assurance testing may occur on any animal..

Exhibitor's Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

Calhoun County Fair Official

Date

Witness

Date

****This Form Must Be Filled Out By Each Exhibitor
of Market Animals & Starter Calves**

PROCEDURES FOR MDA MEAT QUALITY ASSURANCE TESTING AT FAIR

Calhoun County Fair will institute a drug-testing program for the Michigan Department of Agriculture. If requested by the Fair Board Representative all market livestock animals will be subject to undergo urine or blood testing immediately after it leaves the show arena. The exhibitor and his/her parents/legal guardians must accompany the champion animal(s) to the holding pen to verify and document that the animal's urine or blood specimen has been sealed in the appropriate container and labeled.

***Announce at the beginning of show for sheep, steer and swine.**

ANIMAL DRUG TESTING SAMPLE COLLECTION PROCEDURE

Michigan Department of Agriculture Laboratory Division

1. Open the sample case by breaking its seal. Sample containers must be kept in a secured manner after the case has been unsealed.
2. Immediately record the seal # in the top right box of the enclosed Sample Transmittal Packing List. The rest of this form will be completed after collecting specimens.
3. Individual plastic sample containers will be located inside lockable metal cans. Before using a sample container, verify that it is intact and not damaged.
4. Sample containers have a breakaway, plastic, arrow shaped seal and an additional adhesive paper "Security Seal" applied across the lid and down both sides. These seals must be intact.
5. Present the container to the representative (exhibitor) of the animal to be tested for examination. If the container is rejected for any reason, use another container and return the defective one to the laboratory for disposal.
6. Open the container by pressing upward on the tab marked "OPEN", breaking the seals.
7. Place the container in a catching stick, fold the lid back and anchor it under the metal finger welded to the handle.
8. After collecting a urine sample, close the lid and snap it completely shut.
Note: If a urine sample cannot be obtained, collect five tubes of blood and label them in ink with the sample tag number. Seal all labeled blood tubes inside a plastic sample container as described below.
9. Complete the information on a Sample Tag substituting the name of the Fair for "Track", the name of the animal for "Horse" and the ear tag number or unique identification number for "Tattoo". Have the representative of the animal sign under "Witness" after witnessing sample sealing.
10. Using scissors cut off the top part of the Sample Tag through the area identified by six parallel lines. Loop the barbed strip on the sample container through the hole in the top part of the sample tag and down through the two holes in the container tabs and pull snug. The bottom part of the sample tag must be kept in a secured manner for cross-reference when test results are reported. Do not send the bottom part of the sample tag to the lab.

I acknowledge that the animals of this department:

Have been tested according to the Michigan Department of Agricultural guide lines.

Signature of Department Superintendent

Department

Date

Have not been tested according to the Michigan Department of Agricultural guide lines.

Signature of Department Superintendent

Department

Date