

Preparing for a Swine Exhibition

Prior to attending a show, you should take time to review your biosecurity plan to be prepared to protect your pig's health. Some fairs and exhibitions may require health papers list specific vaccines given (such as influenza) and may require targeting health testing. Make sure to bring a written record of all your pig's treatments and vaccinations. As part of your biosecurity plan, work with your veterinarian for vaccinations and required testing.

Steps prior to going to show;

1. Complete all necessary paperwork needed for the show.
2. Make sure that you pig meets the specific show requirements, (identification, vaccinations, health papers, etc.)
3. Take only clean and disinfected equipment to the show, (prevent any potential pathogen transfer from your pig to another).
4. Have adequate supplies so you will not have to borrow or share equipment.
5. Never bring an animal to a show, fair or exhibition that is not healthy.

Evaluate your pig's health on a daily basis prior to the show.

- Is your pig eating normally?
- Is your pig coughing, thumping or have trouble breathing?
- Does your pig have a fever? Does is appear depressed?
- Does your pig have loose stools?