March 31, 2015

Attention All Garrett County Fair Poultry Exhibitors

Individuals planning to bring poultry to the Garrett County Agriculture Fair are reminded that all poultry for exhibition must meet the Maryland Department of Agriculture requirements. To assist with this process testing will be done on July 7, 2015 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the University of Maryland Extension, Garrett County Office. Cost for the testing is $20.00 per flock to be paid at the time of the testing.

Information needed:
1. Source of birds-hatchery, raised or other.
2. The age of the birds.
3. The number of birds in your flock.

Leg bands will be affixed upon testing.

Please call 301 334-6960 to register for the testing by Monday, June 29, 2015.

MDA Fair and Show Requirements: Poultry – these rules are online at http://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx

Avian Influenza Testing is NOT required for Maryland Poultry for exhibition in Maryland.

*Avian Influenza testing IS STILL required for out-of-state poultry coming to Maryland exhibitions

All Poultry
General Requirements
1. Identification: All poultry entering an exhibition shall be identified with a numbered leg or wing band.
2. Testing: All poultry for exhibition shall meet the requirements for Pullorum-Typhoid testing.
3. All poultry exhibitors shall complete a Poultry Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.

Maryland Poultry
1. Premise Registration: All poultry exhibitors must have valid proof of a registered Maryland Poultry Premises ID Number.
2. All poultry except waterfowl, pigeons and doves shown at public exhibitions in this state shall meet one or more of the following requirements:
   a. Originate directly from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flock as defined in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and all amendments to that publication thereafter adopted pursuant to rules that the director may promulgate, OR
b. Have a negative official test for Salmonella pullorum-typhoid within 90 days before entry to exhibition. Poultry must remain segregated from any untested birds after a partial flock test.
3. Documentation of test results on MDA - E20, VS form 9-2, VS form 9-3 or comparable form.

Out-of-State Poultry
1. All poultry except waterfowl, pigeons and doves shown at public exhibitions in this state shall meet one or more of the following requirements:
   a. Originate directly from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flock as defined in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and all amendments to that publication thereafter adopted pursuant to rules that the director may promulgate, OR
   b. Have a negative official test for Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days before fair, exhibitions, exposition, or show facility and remain segregated from all poultry of unknown or positive salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid test status.
2. Documentation of test results on MDA - E20, VS form 9-2, VS form 9-3 or comparable form.
3. All poultry except pigeons and doves must have negative Avian Influenza test conducted on at least 30 birds from their flock (or complete flock if fewer than 30) on official test within 10 days prior to event.

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