

# BIOSECURITY

# Recommendations for Exhibitors



## BEFORE THE EXHIBITION

- 1. Confirm with organizers** for event-specific exhibition requirements before the event.
- 2. While HPAI has not been reported in beef cattle, it is advisable** to familiarize yourself with signs of influenza in cattle (e.g., decreased milk production, appetite, and rumen motility, thick or discolored milk, lethargy, fever, and/or dehydration, signs of mastitis in 1 or more quarters, dry manure, constipation, nasal discharges, or diarrhea in some cases) and do not participate in an animal event if any clinical signs is present in your cattle.
- 3. Avoid comingling animals from different premises/farms.** Animals from different herds should be transported separately to minimize the risk of cross-contamination.
- 4. Work with your herd veterinarian to ensure the animals:**
  - are not showing any clinical signs of potential infectious, contagious, or communicable disease.
  - are in good health and have received vaccination against common diseases (e.g., BVD, IBR, BRSV, and PI3).

- 5. Clean and disinfect** all equipment that you plan to bring to the event (e.g., feed equipment, cleaning tools, grooming equipment, inside and outside of vehicles and trailers, portable milking equipment, etc.) using safe and approved disinfectants.
- 6. Ensure that when attending an exhibition,** you do not have any symptoms of respiratory illness and that you have not traveled outside Canada or visited a HPAI A (H5N1) positive farm in the last 72 hours prior the event.



## BY ADHERING TO THESE RECOMMENDATIONS

- Beef cattle exhibitors can help protect their animals and ensure a safe and healthy environment for all participants at the shows.