BIOSECURITY

Recommendations for Exhibitors



DURING THE EXHIBITION

- **1. Report any animal health concerns** to the organizers immediately. It is recommended that organizers have a veterinarian on-site or on-call to handle any animal health concerns or emergencies. See the <u>Canadian Food</u> Inspection Agency Guidance for veterinarians.
- 2. Do not share equipment or personnel with other exhibitors and avoid close contact with other exhibitor's animals. If equipment is shared, make sure to clean and disinfect between every use.

3. Put in place measures to:

- prevent/minimize nose-to-nose contact with other livestock.
- minimize animal-to-human contact. avoid use of communal water sources.
- minimize animal stress by keeping them cool and comfortable, and providing food and water.
- manage manure and bedding (e.g., established cleanable manure collection sites that contain bedding/manure/urine.
- **4. Follow** the event organizers guidance for biosecurity measures, including measure for raw milk handling and disposal.

- 5. Make sure that animals' handlers:
 - Wash their hands and wear disposable gloves.
 - Use only clean clothes and clean boots when interacting with and between animals at the fair. Do not use the same clothes to care for the animals at home and at the fair.
 - Thoroughly clean and disinfect boots, clothing, and all equipment, including transport vehicles, before you bring it back on your farm (in contact with the rest of your herd).
 - Consider using a well-fitting mask such as N95 when in contact with the animals and stay home if they have any signs of illness.
- **6. Do not** feed other animals with raw milk and do not drink or offer raw milk to visitors.
- 7. Dispose of used PPE at the organizer's designated PPE collection points immediately after use to prevent contamination and minimize exposure risks.

