Fair Safety for Exhibitors

Healthy People:

- **Help keep kids safe:**
  - Children under 5 years old should not touch pre-weaned calves, young goats or sheep, or live poultry because these animals are more likely to make them sick.
  - Children should not touch, sit, or play on the ground in animal areas.
  - Help children to approach animals with caution and follow the rules of the exhibit.
  - Food, drinks, baby bottles, pacifiers, toys, and strollers should not be allowed in animal areas.

- **Keep hands clean:**
  - Locate and regularly use the handwashing stations, especially before eating and drinking. Wash hands with soap and running water for at least 20 seconds and dry with a clean, disposable paper towel. Drying hands on clothing can increase the spread of germs.
  - If running water and soap are not immediately available, use an alcohol based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol and wash your hands with soap and water as soon as possible.

Healthy Animals:

- Avoid entering other exhibitors' pens/stalls and coming in contact with their animals. If you must, wash your hands, clean and disinfect your boots, and change clothing before returning to your own animals.

- Do not share equipment with other exhibitors unless it has been cleaned and disinfected before and after use.

- Anyone exhibiting multiple animals should complete chores of youngest animals first.

- When filling or refilling water buckets or troughs, do not place the hose in the bucket or trough or under the water.

- Keep unused equipment and feed securely sealed or covered to reduce the risk of contamination.

- Keep animals cool, well bedded, and comfortable. This may require fans for large animals and frozen water bottles for smaller animals.

- Contact the fair veterinarian or exhibition manager if you notice animals in need of attention. If an animal becomes ill at the exhibit, isolate it until it can be examined by a veterinarian and be prepared to take it home for isolation and treatment.

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