Certificate of Veterinary Inspection Shall Be Required for All Lactating Dairy Cows Shown at the 2024 Kansas All Breeds Junior Dairy Show

On Monday, April 22, the Kansas Animal Health Commissioner issued an order requiring special permits related to the movement of lactating dairy cattle due to H5N1 Influenza A Virus. The order applies to movement by any means of all **lactating** dairy cattle into and within the state of Kansas. As a result, all **lactating** dairy cattle shown at the 2024 Kansas All Breeds Dairy show will need a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) and the veterinarian completing the CVI must contact the Kansas Animal Health Commissioner to obtain a permit of type number to be included on the CVI form. The completed form must accompany the animals to the show. Upon arrival at the show, exhibitors will need to present to show officials a CVI covering their **lactating** dairy cattle to be exhibited at the show. Each **lactating** dairy cow that is exhibited must be listed on the CVI. Lactating dairy cows arriving without a valid CVI will not be allowed to unload and will need to be immediately returned to the operation from which they came.

Please contact your herd veterinarian at least 2 weeks prior to the show to obtain a valid CVI that covers the dates of the show. The current order does not require a CVI for dry cows or heifers as it only pertains to **lactating** dairy cattle.

At this time, the order is in effect until further notice without an expiration date. We encourage exhibitors planning to show lactating dairy cattle to prepare in advance to obtain the required CVI from their herd veterinarian.

Any out-of-state lactating dairy cows transported to the show must meet the requirements above in addition to USDA and individual state animal health requirements for intrastate transport of lactating dairy animals. At the current time USDA is requiring all lactating dairy animals crossing state borders to have a negative HPAI milk test taken within 7 days of the transport of the animal.

Additional questions concerning these regulations at the Kansas All Breeds Junior Dairy Show can be directed to Mike Brouk by email or telephone. mbrouk@ksu.edu or 785-565-3434