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Iowa Beef Expo Covid-19 Response Plan

The following rules and regulations will be implemented to ensure the health and safety of all in attendance at the 2021 Iowa Beef Expo.

The Iowa Beef Expo is one of the longest running Beef Expos in the nation and we plan to keep it that way. The Iowa Beef Breeds Council understands the vital role events such as this provide for breeders and juniors in the state of Iowa. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, IBE's Priority always has, and always will be the health and well-being of its exhibitors, vendors, spectators, and staff. Throughout the 8-day event, held February 13-21 in Des Moines, proper health and safety protocols will be implemented including: requiring attendees to wear masks when indoors, implementing social distancing, and limiting the number of people in high traffic areas. During the Iowa Beef Expo all exhibitors and attendees are responsible for:

- Exhibitors and attendees will be held responsible for providing and utilizing their own personal protective equipment, including but not limited to face protection, personal hand sanitizer, gloves, thermometers, etc.
- **Face protection/face coverings are required per Iowa State Fairgrounds guidelines. Exhibitors and attendees are required to wear face protection/face coverings in all indoor areas, including but not limited to the stands, show office, trade show, barn, bathrooms and showrings. This includes people showing in the ring and outside the ring.**
- Arena entrances/exits will be arranged so that exhibitors are not in close contact with one another. Loitering in these areas will not be permitted around the entrance or exit to the show rings and no foot traffic around the in-gates.
- Exhibitors will be limited to one assistant and all others must view the show from the stands around the arena.
- Seating in the arena will be spaced in such a way as to facilitate social distancing.
- Social-distancing is required at all times. No exceptions will be allowed.
- Daily temperature screenings are the responsibility of the individual. Additional screenings with no-touch thermometers may be required for entry. Based on guidance from health authorities, anyone with a temperature of 100F or above should not attend.
- Iowa Beef Expo requires exhibitors and attendees to complete a waiver before arriving at the show.
- Exhibitors, attendees and staff must abide by social-distancing and health protocols; failure to follow protocols could result in removal from the Iowa State Fairgrounds. Individuals will receive a warning for the first offense, mandatory discussion with show management for the second offense and could be removed from the facility for the third offense, forfeiting any fees paid.

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any setting where people are present. All exhibitors and attendees are ultimately responsible for protecting themselves and preventing the spread of COVID-19. If you have been in contact with anyone exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms within the past 14 days of attending the show, have a fever or other symptoms, or are immune compromised, it is recommended to refrain from attending the 2021 Iowa Beef Expo, per Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization recommendations.

For information pertaining to the virus and recommendations, visit the CDC website.

Visit the WHO webpage for more information about the current situation.

Iowa Beef Expo is continuing to monitor the status of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our priority is to protect the health and welfare of our members and staff. More updates will be available as the situation evolves at iowabeefexpo.com

Please note, guidelines and protocols could be modified, pending local, state and federal mandates. Refer to iowabeefexpo.com for the most up-to-date information before attending the event.

The Iowa Beef Expo sales and shows will be streamed live online at Liveauctions.tv.