



The State of Emergency declared by Governor Andy Beshear on March 6, 2020 requires adjustments to the ways Kentuckians work, learn, and enjoy recreational activities. With a season of livestock shows getting underway this summer, the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) is working to provide guidance that encourages everyone to take the precautions needed to keep each other safe while still providing our young people an opportunity to participate in the time-honored tradition of livestock shows that previous generations enjoyed.

For each KDA-sponsored event, the Shows and Fairs Division will designate a KDA employee to serve as the event's Safety Officer. The Safety Officer will work closely with your event chairperson, KDA staff members, and the other adults who are present to ensure everyone adheres to the social-distancing and other safety measures set forth in this guidance document.

PHASE 1: PLANNING IN ADVANCE FOR A SAFE AND SUCCESSFUL EVENT

- Notify your county judge/executive and your local health department to discuss your upcoming event and explain your safety plans.
 - Ask what additional measures will be necessary to ensure that public health needs are met.
- Inform your participants about the changes they need to understand in advance, for instance:
 - Anyone who has had a fever or experienced symptoms in the past 24 hours should stay home.
 - Wash racks, make-up areas, pens, and stalls will be closed and will not be available for use.
 - Concessions and food sales will not be permitted.
 - Pre-show cleaning and preparation activities must occur at home and/or in parking lots.
 - Only one adult will be permitted to accompany a child into the show area/facility.
 - Spectators will not be permitted to enter the show area/facility.
 - An adult will be required to wear a mask at all times when he or she is inside the show/area facility.
 - A child will be required to wear a mask at all times when he or she is inside the show/area facility *except* when he or she is inside the show ring.
- With the assistance of your KDA-designated Safety Officer, identify the new measures to be taken:
 - Designate a single entry point (and an exit) for access to the show area/facility; close off the others.
 - Acquire the health supplies you'll need: hand sanitizer, soap, disinfectant wipes, and waste baskets.



PHASE 2: SETTING UP AT THE START OF THE DAY

- Set up the Safety Officer's Control Post at the designated entry point:
 - Table and pop-up tent
 - Hand sanitizer
 - The Governor's orders require events to record attendee information to notify later should a breakout occur. Roster with sheets to record information for each person who will enter the show area/facility:
 - Name
 - Date of birth
 - Address
 - Phone number
 - Arrival time
 - Experiencing fever or other symptoms in the last 24 hours [Y / N]
- Set up hand-washing or hand-sanitizing stations at locations inside and outside the show area/facility.
- Close off access to wash racks, pens, stalls, and other areas that are not in use.

PHASE 3: RUNNING THE EVENT

- During the check-in/weigh-in period, collect the required information for each child and adult who will enter the show area/facility.
- Sanitize weigh scales, gates, railings, and frequently touched surfaces regularly.
- KDA staff will use the PA system to announce upcoming divisions to those waiting in the parking lot.
- Allow only those children and adults who signed in during the check-in/weigh/in period to enter the show area/facility; others must remain in the parking lot.
- Ensure that every person entering the show area/facility is wearing a mask.
- Instruct children and others to maintain a six-foot distance where possible; discourage clustering.
- Encourage participants to leave as soon as their competition is over.

PHASE 4: CLEANING UP AFTER THE EVENT

- Wipe down weigh scales, gates, railings and other frequently-touched surfaces.
- Give your attendance roster to your local health department representative or your KDA-designated Safety Officer.

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