Healthy Animals and Healthy People: BRM at Livestock Shows

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Goal

• Healthy animals and people arriving at the show
• Healthy animals and people leaving the show
Health Threats

• Threats to livestock
  • Infectious disease
  • Heat stress
  • Physical injuries
Infectious Disease Risk Management

Routes of Transmission

• Direct Contact
• Fomites
• Aerosol-Large and Small Droplet
• Oral
• Vectors
Disease Prevention

Develop a Plan

• Educate Exhibitors
  • Animal Health and Biosecurity
  • Human Health Implications
• Identify Likely ROT and interrupt
  • Waste Management
  • Vector Control
• Establish Entry Requirements
• Consider Retaining a Veterinarian for the Show
Disease Prevention/Management

Executing the Plan

- Check Livestock In
- Conduct Scheduled Inspections to Monitor Health (Use Veterinarian If Possible)
- Develop an Isolation Plan for Individual Sick Animals
- Develop a Quarantine Plan for the Show
Heat Stress


Heat Stress Prevention

• NEVER allow water deprivation
  • Weigh backs at show time to prevent “shrinking”
• Move events to cooler times of the day
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