



June 28 – July 4, 2025 • Kentucky Fair and Expo Center • Louisville, KY

**TO: 2025 Summer Type Conference**

**RE: GENERAL SHOW INFORMATION, HEALTH REGULATIONS**

Thank you for submitting entries for the 2025 Summer Type Conference open show and sale. With over 2,800 total entries submitted for the junior and open shows, we are once again expecting record numbers.

**Adjustments regarding pen space and location may be made.** We are confident we can accommodate all exhibitors with your cooperation. **Due to construction at the Kentucky Fair and Expo Center, unloading may be different than in past years. Please stay tuned to our social media outlets for more information and instructions on unloading around the Pavillion.**

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**DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:** If you have entries that will not be exhibited, please notify NSR as soon as possible by contacting Megan Vanderbur, [meganv@nationalswine.com](mailto:meganv@nationalswine.com) or (765) 463-3594, ext. 112.

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**BEFORE LEAVING FOR THE SHOW, PLEASE REMEMBER!**

- 1. Please double check CVIs (Certificate of Veterinary Inspection) to ensure all information is accurate and all requirements are met. ALL CVIs MUST BE ISSUED ON OR AFTER MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025.**
  - A. MAKE SURE ANIMALS MEET ALL TEST REQUIREMENTS (*BRUCELLOSIS REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN UPDATED*)**
  - B. It is best to provide your veterinarian with a copy of the included Summer Type Conference health requirements and check to ensure each requirement is included on the CVI.
  - C. ALL animals entering the Kentucky Expo Center MUST be listed on an official, interstate health certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) issued by a licensed, accredited veterinarian.
  - D. Loads containing swine that do not meet all health requirements will not be admitted to enter the Kentucky Expo Center.
  - E. A complete list of up-to-date health regulations are included in this letter.
- 2. ALL animals must be tagged with an official, permanently-numbered, federally-approved ear tag.**
  - A. For additional information on official, federally-approved ear tags, visit [http://nationalswine.com/shows/ear\\_tags.php](http://nationalswine.com/shows/ear_tags.php).

3. Please contact Megan Vanderbur [meganv@nationalswine.com](mailto:meganv@nationalswine.com) or 765.463.3594, ext. 112 with ear notches and registration numbers of your purebred open show entries by Tuesday, June 24.
    - A. This information is used by NSR staff to create pen display cards for open show animals.
    - B. *Open show crossbred boar and gilt exhibitors:* Please complete crossbred check-in form by June 24 by visiting the link below:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1R2oQqTMprBD5owIoIb0n4nLrvdEweB8M1n0Aiq28TZY/viewform>
    - C. *ALL purebred entries must be recorded by Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> in order to avoid a RUSH FEE.*
  4. Crossbred boars are required to be DNA stress tested. (Crossbred gilts are NOT required to be stress tested)
    - A. Please bring your documented crossbred boar stress test results with you to present during check-in.
    - B. The stress status of each crossbred boar will be listed in the show and sale catalog.
    - C. For information on stress test procedures for crossbred boars, contact Doug Newcom, [newcom@nationalswine.com](mailto:newcom@nationalswine.com).
    - D. Purebred NSR entries are not required to be stress tested prior to exhibition.
  5. Please make sure all purebred entries meet their respective breed eligibility standards.
    - E. In particular, make sure all NSR purebred boars and gilts possess six functional teats on each side.
  6. Bedding will be NOT be provided; shavings will be available for purchase.
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#### UPON ARRIVAL: UNLOADING TIMES, CVI & ANIMAL INSPECTION, PENNING, TRAILER PARKING

1. If you arrive Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup>, Monday June 30<sup>th</sup>, or Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> from 8 am to 5 pm, Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8 am to 5 pm, please go to **Lot V upon arrival**. Veterinary inspection will take place in Lot V. The official show veterinarian will inspect animals and original CVIs. If you arrive at times other than those above, please unload your animals and bring your original CVI to the show office – the show veterinarian will come to your pen for inspection
    - A. Please have animals' ORIGINAL CVIs and test chart results ready for inspection upon arriving.
    - B. Only original CVIs will be approved by inspectors.
    - C. If you are entering after hours, please unload your animals and have CVIs ready for inspection at show check-in.
  2. Pens will be pre-assigned to all open show exhibitors.
    - A. Please pen entries in your designated pens. Due to space limitations, tack pens will not be available.
    - B. Pen dimensions are in size (7' x 7')
    - C. If your plans have changed and you are not bringing entries, please contact [meganv@nationalswine.com](mailto:meganv@nationalswine.com).
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#### CHECK-IN FOR THE EXPOSITION OPEN SHOW

1. NSR exhibitors are required to go through open show check-in during the posted times below.
  - A. **WEDNESDAY, JULY 2** from Noon – 5 pm: Open Show Registration (NSR office)
  - B. **THURSDAY, JULY 3** from 8 am – 10 am: Open Show Registration (NSR office)
2. Items needed for check-in:

- A. Original CVIs:
  - i. Please bring original CVI that has been approved by health officials.
  - ii. Exhibitors will need to submit original CVIs for each open show animal.
  - iii. Copies of the original CVIs can be made in the check-in line.
- B. Stress Test Results (crossbred boars only):
  - i. Crossbred boar exhibitors must present a documented stress test result during check-in.
  - ii. Stress status of crossbred boars will be listed in the show and sale catalogs.
- 3. A lot number will be assigned to each animal entered in the Summer Type Conference.**
  - A. Please know lot number of each boar and gilt prior to bringing animals to scales for weighing.
  - B. Lot numbers will be painted on the animal by exhibitors. Paint brands will be provided by show staff.
  - C. Please paint **dark** colored animals (Durocs, Hampshires and dark crossbreds) with provided **yellow** paint.
  - D. Please paint **light** colored animals (Landrace, Yorkshires and light crossbreds) with provided **green** paint.
  - E. ALL animals must have legible paint numbers prior to the open show and sale for identification.
  - F. Please return paint brand numbers to table outside open show office, once finished using them.
- 4. Crossbred boars and gilts will be weighed on Wednesday, July 2. There will be no scanning. Announcements will be made for time and location.**
  - A. Please go through the check-in line and have your animals' lot number prior to bringing them to the scales.
  - B. If exhibiting a double-entered gilt in the junior and open shows, the junior show declared weight must be used.

## **National Junior Summer Spectacular and Summer Type Conference 2025 Health Requirements**

With heightened awareness and concerns surrounding foreign animal diseases (FADs), following all health requirements is critical. Veterinarians and exhibitors must take extra precaution to ensure the health of their animals. All animals attending National Junior Summer Spectacular and Summer Type Conference must be inspected by a licensed and accredited veterinarian before departing for the show.

Failure to meet all animal health requirements will result in removal of animals from the exhibition premises. National Junior Summer Spectacular and Summer Type Conference staff and/or the Kentucky State Veterinarian are authorized to make the final determination of an animal's eligibility for exhibition.

The following animals are not eligible for exhibition in Kentucky:

- Animals that originate from a herd that is under quarantine
- An animal prohibited from exhibition under any law or order
- Any animal classified as a brucellosis "suspect"
- Animals showing signs of any infectious or communicable disease or that are a health hazard to people or other animals
- Any animal that does not meet Kentucky animal health requirements

Any animal that develops or shows signs of any infectious or communicable disease during exhibition must be removed from the premises, including the surrounding exhibition grounds. An owner who is disputing the exclusion of his/her animal(s) from exhibition may not exhibit the animal in question pending any appeal.

## Requirements for ALL Swine

1. All swine (including delivery animals) must have a properly completed Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) **prior to entering** the Kentucky Expo Center. Animals without the proper documentation will be denied access to the venue.
  - a. CVIs must be completed by a licensed and accredited veterinarian who has personally inspected the swine.
  - b. A CVI must be issued on or after June 23, 2025.**
  - c. CVIs must clearly include a description of each animal including the age, sex, and breed of the animal, and the official individual identification (see Section 4 below).
  - d. CVIs must be accessible while on the exhibition premises.
  - e. PERMIT REQUIREMENT: Exhibitors from outside of Kentucky that are entered in the National Junior Summer Spectacular and Summer Type Conference **MUST** get a permit number before coming to the show. To obtain a permit number, a licensed, accredited veterinarian must call the Kentucky State Veterinarian's Office at 502-782-5901 OR by going to <https://www.kyagr.com/statevet/animal-movement.html>
  - f. (ALL ENTRIES originating from outside of Kentucky are REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A PERMIT NUMBER 7 DAYS FROM ARRIVAL TO THE SHOW OR AFTER MONDAY, JUNE 23)**
2. All swine and their respective original CVIs will be inspected by the Office of the State Veterinarian, show veterinarian and show staff prior to unloading. Multiple animals may be listed on one original CVI. *Photocopies of CVIs can be made during show check-in for each animal after the show veterinarian has approved CVIs upon arrival.*
3. CVIs for this event **MUST** include the following:
  - a. The consignee/destination address as: NJSA Summer Spectacular or NSR Summer Type Conference, Kentucky Expo Center, 937 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209-1398.
  - b. The date (month, day, year) of vaccination and/or testing when required
  - c. The premises ID number for the consignor/origin
  - d. The cell phone number of the veterinarian who issued the CVI
  - e. The following statements for the farm or origin of swine:
    - Has not had pseudorabies or swine dysentery in the last 12 months
    - Has not had any clinical signs or diagnosis of TGE or PEDv in the last 60 days
    - Feeds no raw garbage and uses no PRV vaccine
    - Is not under quarantine for any disease condition
    - Has not had vesicular stomatitis diagnosed within 10 miles of farm or origin in the last 30 days
4. Identification
  - a. All swine being exhibited at National Junior Summer Spectacular and Summer Type Conference **MUST** be officially identified with an official, federally approved ear tag. All official identification and any additional identification devices **MUST** be recorded on the CVI. RFID 840 ear tags are the standard for exhibition swine in Kentucky.

- b. In addition to official identification, each animal shall be individually identified by ear notch, which **MUST** be listed on the CVI.
  - c. Animals not bearing an official ID will not be granted access to National Junior Summer Spectacular and Summer Type Conference.
  - d. For more information on federally recognized ear tags, visit <https://nationalswine.com/events/ear-tags.php>
5. **REQUIRED TESTS:** please advise that test requirements vary between STC (open show) and NJSS (junior show) entries.

**A. OPEN SHOW ANIMALS (NSR SUMMER TYPE CONFERENCE BOARS & GILTS):**

1. **PSEUDORABIES (PRV) TESTING: ALL OPEN SHOW ANIMALS ENTERED IN THE SUMMER TYPE CONFERENCE MUST** be individually tested for PRV on or after Thursday, June 5, 2025 **UNLESS** animals come from a PRV-qualified herd.
  - a. All official identification of animal (sex, ear tag and ear notch) needs to be included on the pseudorabies test chart.
  - b. Animals must test PRV-negative with all results on the dated CVI.
  - c. The official PRV test chart must be provided along with your CVI.
  - d. Either the ELISA (gB ELISA), ALA or S/N tests are acceptable. Differentiable ELISA (g1 ELISA) test will **NOT** be accepted.
  - e. **If OPEN SHOW ANIMALS come from a PRV qualified herd, individual testing of each animal is not required.** In this case, the PRV qualification numbers must appear on the health certificate and the most recent quarterly herd test date (month, day and year) must be stated on health certificate.
2. **BRUCELLOSIS TESTING: ALL OPEN SHOW ANIMALS ENTERED IN THE SUMMER TYPE CONFERENCE MUST** be individually tested for brucellosis on or after Thursday, June 5, 2025, **UNLESS** animals originate from a validated brucellosis free herd.
  - i. Animals must test brucellosis negative with all results on the dated CVI.
  - ii. If the herd of origin is brucellosis validated, the validation numbers must appear on the CVI and the most recent quarterly herd test date (month, day and year) must be stated on the CVI.
  - iii. The RAP, Standard Plate, Standard Tube or BAPA brucellosis tests are all accepted.

\*Although the state of Kentucky does not require swine to be individually tested for PRV and brucellosis for entry, some states animals may be sold to have additional testing requirements for reentry.

**B. JUNIOR SHOW ANIMALS (NJSS BARROWS AND GILTS NOT BEING EXHIBITED IN OPEN SHOW):**

- i. **PSEUDORABIES – NJSS ANIMALS ONLY (JUNIOR SHOW BARROWS AND GILTS):** Since all states are Stage 5 of the Pseudorabies (PRV) eradication program, no testing is required for barrows and gilts that will **ONLY be exhibited in the NJSS (JUNIOR SHOW).**
  - a. This **ONLY** applies to barrows and gilts that will **NOT** be exhibited in the STC (open show).

- b. If the animals come from a Pseudorabies qualified herd, it is required that this number and the last test date appear on the health certificate.
- ii. **BRUCELLOSIS – NJSS ANIMALS ONLY (JUNIOR SHOW BARROWS AND GILTS):**  
**All NJSS (JUNIOR SHOW)** animals must originate from a Brucellosis Class “Free” state or be from a validated brucellosis free herd with the validation herd number and test date on certificate or be negative tested for brucellosis after June 5, 2025.
  - a. Swine tested for brucellosis must show the date blood sample was drawn (month, day and year).
  - b. If the herd of origin is brucellosis validated, individual testing of each animal is not required. In this case, the brucellosis validation numbers must appear on the health certificate and the most recent quarterly herd test date (month, day and year) must be stated on health certificate.

\*Please remember, gilts exhibited in the STC (Open Show) **MUST** be tested negative for PRV and brucellosis, **UNLESS** they come from a qualified, validated herd in order to meet entry requirements for potential buyers.

\*Although the state of Kentucky does not require swine to be individually tested for PRV and brucellosis for entry, some states animals may be sold to have additional testing requirements for reentry.

#### 6. Vaccinations

- a. All breeding swine **MUST** be vaccinated against erysipelas and leptospirosis (6-way), including *L. bratislava*.
- b. It is highly recommended that all animals, including market animals, are vaccinated against swine influenza.
- c. The date(s) of vaccination (month, day, year) **MUST** be listed on the CVI.

In some instances, these requirements are in addition to the state of Kentucky regulations. However, they are necessary in meeting other state requirements for purchasers of open show animals through sales as animals are reconsigned to new destinations. For the most up-to-date information on NSR shows, please visit [www.nationalswine.com](http://www.nationalswine.com)

Full video coverage of the NSR portion of the Summer Type Conference and National Junior Show can be seen at [www.waltonwebcasting.com](http://www.waltonwebcasting.com).

Sincerely,

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