

2009 WSF Animal Care Statement (proposed 1/08/09, revised 1/26/09):

Wyoming State Fair will develop an Animal Care Committee charged with determining proper care is given to all species of livestock (as addressed by Wyoming Statute 11- 30 -114) while they are on the Wyoming State Fair grounds.

The Animal Care Committee is created for, and charged with upholding high standards of animal husbandry as well as ethical practices of exhibiting animals. The Animal Care Committee shall be comprised of the Wyoming State Veterinarian or their designee; a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine currently licensed to practice in the U.S.A.; and the Superintendent for each species specific division of the Wyoming State Fair. The two Veterinary members will review animals in all divisions of the fair. Each division Superintendent will review animals in their division only.

Every exhibitor, in consideration of their entry being accepted by the Wyoming State Fair, agrees to submit any animal so entered to inspection by the Animal Care Committee. The exhibitor further agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests designated and requested by the Animal Care Committee. The exhibitor agrees that conclusions and decisions reached by the Animal Care Committee shall be final and not subject to review or protest, however, further testing may be done to confirm the initial conclusion(s) and decision(s) of the Animal Care Committee. A unanimous decision by the Animal Care Committee is necessary for disqualification. Selection of confirmatory testing method(s) will be at the discretion and professional opinion of the Animal Care Committee. The animal in question will not be disqualified until confirmatory tests are complete. Cost(s) of confirmatory test(s) will be borne by the exhibitor of the animal in question if the results are positive (disqualification), and borne by the Wyoming State Fair if the results are negative. Refer to Rule #9 (DISQUALIFICATION), page XX of the Wyoming State Fair Premium Book in the JUDGES AND JUDGING section.

Ref: National Code of Show Ring Ethics (IAFE) Page XX of the 2009 WSF Premium Book.

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