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2026 RABBIT EXHIBITOR'S SELF CERTIFICATION OF ANIMAL HEALTH

A completed Rabbit Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health must accompany all rabbits to any Maryland Fair, Show, or Exhibition. This certificate must be presented to exhibition management and it must be endorsed with the signature of the owner of the rabbit.

Name of Owner:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Name of Exhibition:	
Address of Exhibition:	

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following:

1. I am the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter (circle as applicable) of the rabbit(s) identified on this form.
2. I understand that rabbits showing any signs of or having recent exposure (within 21 days) to contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. **SKIN & HEAD:** No visible evidence of skin infections, discharge from the eyes or nose, or excessive head shaking
 - b. **REPRODUCTIVE:** No sign of discharge, ulcerations, masses, or other potentially infectious signs
 - c. **RESPIRATORY:** No signs of infectious respiratory disease such as sneezing, white nasal discharge or excessive tearing
 - d. **INTESTINAL:** No evidence of soft droppings, soiling on the rump or hocks, consistent with diarrhea.
 - e. **OTHER:** Recent exposure to or clinical signs of any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude rabbits from exhibition, such as Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD)
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I agree not to present for exhibition any animal showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease or having any known recent exposure (within 21 days) to any contagious or infectious disease.
5. I have visually examined the animal(s) I am presenting for exhibition within the last 24 hours and agree to observe them daily throughout the length of the event. If any signs of illness are noticed, I will alert the event animal health staff and comply with their decisions regarding my animal(s).

Tattoo	Registry Name or #	Date of Birth	Sex	Breed



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- 6. I understand that my rabbit may be housed in conditions that expose them to extreme temperatures and humidity fluctuations. I will monitor my rabbit for heat stress and provide cooling devices to ensure the comfort of my rabbit. If my rabbit is unable to acclimate to the exhibition/fair/show environment, I will take the appropriate actions to get my rabbit to a more comfortable environment.
- 7. I have read and understand the MDA animal rejection policy as stated in the 2026 fair and show requirements.

Owner Signature:	
Owner Printed Name:	
(PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST SIGN FOR CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18)	Date:

CONTINUATION NEEDED IF BRINGING MORE THAN 5 RABBITS:

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