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Equine Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following: (Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter (circle as applicable) of the equine identified on the current, valid, Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) document.
2. I understand that any equine 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:** Visible evidence of skin infections (bacterial or fungal) - particular emphasis on ringworm.
 - b. **HEAD:** Discharge from the eyes or nose which is excessive in amount or opaque (yellow or white in color) as opposed to the normal clear nasal discharge commonly seen after exercise.
 - c. **RESPIRATORY:** Signs of infectious respiratory disease such as fever, coughing, labored breathing, increased respiratory rate and nasal discharge. Animals originating from premises where there is a current infectious respiratory disease and animals with any known exposure to infectious respiratory disease shall be ineligible to show for a minimum of 21 days after exposure. Infectious respiratory diseases shall include but not be limited to Influenza, Rhinopneumonitis, and Strangles.
 - d. **INTESTINAL:** Evidence of diarrhea which is watery and/or persistent in nature and more profuse than a loose stool which could be attributed to diet or stress.
 - e. **FEET:** Horses exhibiting any type of lameness are already excluded from being shown by the rules governing horses for shows.
 - f. **OTHER:** Recent exposure to or clinical signs of any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude equines from exhibition.
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the equine I am presenting for exhibition.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition any equine showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease or having any known recent exposure (within 21 days) to any contagious or infectious disease.
6. I have read and understand the MDA animal rejection policy as stated in the 2025 fair and show requirements.

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