

## 2019 Hawkes Bay Royal Show

### Cattle section biosecurity policy

#### Risk

The decision by MPI to eradicate *Mycoplasma bovis* (M.Bovis) and implement movement control, has caused considerable concern regarding showing animals. However, the risk of M.Bovis being spread at shows is relatively low.

Source MPI:

- Healthy animals are very low risk for transmission
- Transmission requires prolonged contact and saliva exchange
- The pathogen struggles to survive when excreted, therefore dung is low risk

It is the decision of the show and the cattle committee to continue with the cattle section of the show in 2019 as the genuine risk of disease transmission is minimal. Although, all possible measures will be taken to reduce the risk of disease transmission during the show- as nothing can be guaranteed until national tracing is completed. The Hawkes Bay A&P society are motivated to do all we can to protect you as exhibitors - however you do enter at your own risk. As a result, the public will be excluded from the showing and stabling areas. We would appreciate co-operation from the exhibitors for the duration of the show and encourage you to clean your equipment and bring your own cleaning facilities.

Key actions will be;

- Appointing a cattle biosecurity officer
- Enforcing the strict biosecurity policy

## Protocol

This protocol is endorsed by MPI and has the full support of the HB Show Cattle and Executive committees. A summary copy of which will be displayed around stalls and show ring.

## Entry

### Information required from exhibitors

- The office will create a spreadsheet that will capture details from exhibitors collected with entries that will be cross referenced for checking all animals onto the showgrounds
- There will be no late entries (or replacements) or animals permitted on grounds that haven't been entered prior

<b>Exhibitor</b>	
<b>Property pica number</b>	
<b>NAIT number</b>	
<b>Number wrist bands required</b>	

<b>Animal Name</b>	<b>Herdbook number</b>	<b>EID number (scan tag)</b>	<b>NAIT registered?</b>
Clover Hills Jess P001	10489111151	982 123476623320	Yes

## On Entry

Entry of all animals onto the showgrounds will be managed at the respective dairy and beef section loading ramps by the appointed biosecurity officer.

- Exhibitor's must process their intention to transport ahead of show to co-ordinate entry onto showgrounds
- Send to showgrounds NAIT number: 444170
- ASD forms must be supplied on entry
- Animals to be wanded and checked against animal EID numbers submitted by exhibitors
  - Animals that arrive without entry form notice will be removed from showgrounds
  - Animals that arrive without an ear tag will be removed from showgrounds
    - Any animal that needs to be removed – costs will be passed on to that exhibitor
- Exhibitors must use allocated Dairy and Beef loading ramps and must use the washing facilities on entry
- Cattle exhibitor wrist bands will be issued following submission of entries and must be worn at all times
- Designated camping/vehicle areas are available for (segregated) dairy and beef sections

## Hygiene

- All access points to stalls will have a wash facility with citric acid and scrubbing brushes
- Wash bays will have a wash facility with citric acid and scrubbing brushes
- A knapsack with citric acid will be available for use if necessary
- Vehicles must be sprayed on entry to cattle area
- Appointed biosecurity officer to actively monitor hygiene of exhibitors

## Stalls

- Cattle stalls will be closed to the general public
- Stalls will be disinfected with citric acid prior to cattle arriving
- Beef & Dairy to have stalls physically separated completely separated access points for the duration of the show
- No cattle will be nose to nose with animals from other herds. Plywood will be tacked up where necessary
- No use of troughs. Exhibitors to supply own water buckets
- A dung pile will be designated for mucking out. No heaps in the aisles. Designated biosecurity officer to monitor
- All animals must have a double tie, this includes halter and a neck strap. Security of animals is important

## Wash Bay

- Beef & Dairy sections to have separate wash bays (dairy located beside milking parlor) and beef as usual
- Wash bays to have blocks with separators to maintain 2m distance between exhibitors' animals
- Bays to be sprayed down with citric acid and hosed between exhibitors

## Milking Area

- All milking equipment must be cleaned and sanitized between exhibitors

## Show Ring

- Show ring will be closed to the general public
- A physical barrier will be created between beef & dairy rings
- A laneway will be created to enter and exit show ring (one each for both beef and dairy)
- No tie ups outside the stabling area. Stewards to closely marshal the ring entry from the stalls
- A distance of 2 meters will be clear around a given exhibitors' animal/s (front, back and sides) at all times. Steward to actively monitor and assist judge in handling ring to reflect this
- Judges, stewards and public not to touch animals
- Hand sanitizer to be made available to all
- Ribbons to be handed to exhibitors- not to be placed on animals

## Classes

- No kids' calf classes