

Rabbit Risk Assessment Tool – Exhibition Premises

Risk Factors	Low Risk	✓	Moderate Risk	✓	High Risk	✓
ANIMAL						
Animal Identification	Individual animal registration/ID		Premises of origin identification		No identification	
Health status prior to entry known or verified	Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)		Statement of health		No records required	
Travel history is known based on county	Travel records required		Verbal history taken by staff/ volunteer		No history required	
Inspection upon entry	Veterinary check		Staff/volunteer check		No check	
HUMAN						
Non-Owner Human Contact (visitors or members of the public)	Closed to the public		Open to approved visitors only		Open to the public	
Clothing for owners and staff/volunteers	Dedicated clothing; only worn in barn/on premises; cleaned after each use		Dedicated clothing; only worn in the barn/on premises		No dedicated clothing when working with animals	
Footwear	Dedicated footwear only worn in barn/on premises; disinfected after each use		Dedicated footwear worn only in barn/on premises; cleaned after each use		No dedicated footwear; footwear not cleaned after each use	
Hand Washing	Always wash hands before and after contact with animals		Occasionally wash hands before or after contact with animals		Rarely wash hands before or after contact with animals	
VENUE						
Design (same species)	Barrier/distance between animals from different households		Housed next to animals from same county		Housed next to animals from different counties	
Design (wild species)	No access for wild species in barn		Minimal access by wild species		Free access to all species in barn	

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Entry points for foot traffic mgmt. management	One entry		Few entries		Multiple entries, or not managed	
Grooming area	Managed, cleaned and disinfected to avoid contact between rabbits		Multiple rabbits groomed in one location		Open grooming area	
Floors and walls	Made of easily cleaned materials		Made of absorbent materials, kept dry and free of excess hair		Made of absorbent materials, foul or wet	
Climate (heat, cold, moisture)	Minimal exposure to extremes		Sometimes exposed to extremes		Frequently exposed to extremes	
Ventilation	Adequate ventilation		Some ventilation		No ventilation	
Vermin and Vector Control	No visible signs of vectors or vermin		Some visible signs of vectors and vermin		Many visible signs of vectors and vermin	
Waste water and manure management	Daily waste management		Waste removed weekly/after exhibition		On site waste pile	
VEHICLES & TOOLS						
Parking	Designated parking, loading/unloading		Clean/ owner vehicles-controlled traffic		Contaminated vehicles allowed near barn	
Air Flow	Adequate ventilation		Some ventilation		No ventilation	
Grooming Tools, Equipment, Vehicles	Cleaned & sanitized after each use		Cleaned sometimes		Rarely or never cleaned	
Shared Equipment	Never shared		Sometimes shared		Always Shared	
FOOD AND WATER						
Food Quality	Food is clean and fresh		Food is clean; not fresh		Food is moldy, dirty or spoiled	
Water Quality	Clean water; bottle		Clean water; bowl		Dirty water	
Food and Water Access	Owner provides and refills food and water		Owner provides food and water for show staff to fill		Rabbits fed from communal feed bucket	

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RECORDS						
Emergency Disease Response	Policies for postponing/canceling events due to local outbreak		No policy for postponing/canceling events due to outbreak; restrict exhibitors originating from outbreak areas		Would not postpone/cancel event due to outbreak	
Refuse Entry at Animal Health Check	Policy written and personnel trained		No policy, but personnel know what to look for		Do not refuse entry of animals	
Health/Travel Records	Keep all CVIs, health records, travel records for each entry		Check them at entry, do not maintain a copy		Do not keep records of animals	
Records	Organized and easily accessible to authorized personnel		Records difficult to access		No records	
INFORMATION						
Biosecurity and hygiene signage	Multiple signs in visible areas		One sign in office		No signs	
Traffic control signage	Multiple signs visible		One sign, difficult to see		No signs	
Restricted access	Signs visible, cordon area, doors restrict access to isolation, etc		Minimal information		No information	
Public information	Staff/volunteer available to talk and distribute information		Brochures available		No information	

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