



The American Royal Association is excited to start welcoming exhibitors back to Hale Arena! Due to COVID-19, adjusted plans and processes have been developed to protect our exhibitors, staff members, and volunteers. The ARA will continue to monitor the most recent developments and adjust these plans and processes as needed. We ask that you read, understand, and follow our adjusted procedures. We are seeking partnership and patience as we navigate returning to events while coexisting with COVID-19.

The American Royal Association has established the following plans and processes with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the State of Missouri and the Kansas City, Missouri Health Department (KCHD).

The processes and procedures outlined below are subject to change.

Exhibitors and family members are asked to refrain from attending the show if they have been in contact with anyone exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms within the last 14 days, have a fever or other symptoms, or if you fall into a high-risk category as defined by the CDC.

By participating or attending the American Royal Livestock Show, you are acknowledging that an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. By attending the American Royal, you and any guests voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19 and agree to not hold the American Royal Association, City of Kansas City, Missouri, County of Jackson; or any of their affiliates, directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, or volunteers liable for any illness or injury.

How you can help us....

American Royal Association will take these steps in order to protect the health of all those taking part in and supporting our upcoming events, but we will need the exhibitors and show personnel to be accountable for their own safety as well. Please help us keep the complex and event safe and sanitary by following the expectations listed below:

- Please limit event attendees to family members and essential personnel only. The event will be closed to the general public.
- Enter electronically with all known information prior to arrival.
- Be aware that access to the facility has been adjusted. There is one ingress location and two egress locations at this time for unloading. Only those exhibitors who purchased a VIP parking pass will be allowed to park in Lot A, south of the livestock barns. All other exhibitors will be required to park in Lot B, north of the American Royal complex.
- Please read and understand our updated check in procedures.



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- Exhibitors should maintain proper distancing of 6 ft. from different attendees throughout the complex.
- Masks are currently required per KCMO Mayor Lucas' Ninth Amended Order. Find more information on the mask requirement at <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/health>.
- Exhibitors and attendees are required to wear face masks at all times, except while exhibiting their animal in the show arena.
- Show arenas are restricted for exhibitors and show personnel only.
- The ARA has the right to limit the number of exhibitors and personnel in holding areas to adhere to social distancing.
- Do not gather ringside or in the holding areas. Please spread out. Respect the holding area attendee's personal space. This individual is an ARA volunteer and has chosen to support this show at no cost to the show or the ARA.
- No more than three exhibitors are allowed inside the show office at a time. Please respect other exhibitors space and wait outside.
- ARA will provide clean, sanitary stalling upon load-in. Exhibitor is responsible for the proper cleaning and sanitization of their own stalling area from then through the duration of the show.
- Frequently wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom, before eating, and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.

Updated Check-In Procedures

- Exhibitors will enter through the **Livestock Gate** on the west side of the American Royal Building (southwest corner of complex). Please pay attention to arrival times and when animals may arrive.
- To access the Livestock Gate, turn right onto State Line Road instead of turning left into the Lot A Gate from American Royal Drive. Follow State Line Road around the viaduct until reaching the Livestock Gate.
- All Certificates of Veterinarian Inspection **must be presented** at the check in trailer before entrance into the facility.
- Upon presenting health paperwork, exhibitors will receive their exhibitor packets, which includes back numbers, weight cards (if applicable), schedule of events, and exhibitor shirts.



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- All trailers without paperwork will be asked to pull into a holding area or asked to leave until health papers are presented.
- Livestock will then proceed to their designated location:
 - Swine will report south of Governor's Exposition Building for their complete health check. Upon approval from the state veterinarians, swine will be allowed to unload and stall.
 - Lambs and goats will proceed to unload on the east side of Lower Exhibition Hall. Lambs and goats will then go through their complete health check at the top of the ramp in Upper Exhibition Hall and proceed to stalling upon approval from the state veterinarians.
 - All cattle will be inspected at the vehicle entry gate and then will be allowed to unload. Cattle will be individually viewed by state veterinarians in their stall later. It is the responsibility of all livestock exhibitors to have their health papers checked by the state veterinarians. Papers must be checked before animals will be allowed to show.
- After unloading, all trailers should proceed to designated trailer parking lot.

How we will help you...

Animal Stalling:

- Stalling will be assigned.
- Empty stalls may be assigned as "buffer stalls" to create space when available.
- Signage and hand sanitizer stations will be posted and placed throughout the barn areas to encourage increased sanitation of frequently visited areas.

Show Office:

- American Royal staff and volunteers will be wearing masks while working with exhibitors.
- No more than three people will be allowed to enter the show office at a time.

Feed Room:

- The feed room will only be open during specific hours. Please see hours posted in the Premium Book and posted around the facilities.
- The feed room will deliver all orders and eliminate paper receipts.

Hospitality:

- To adhere to current health recommendations, the ARA will not offer an exhibitor social.
- We encourage barns to limit communal eating spaces and provide pre-wrapped snacks and food if necessary for exhibitors.
- The concession stand, which is owned and managed by Brancato's Catering, will be able to operate as normal in Central Hall.



- Additional food trucks will be available for exhibitors.

Webcasting:

- Thanks to our partners, Sure Champ, National Beef and Trans Ova, there will be a livestream and we ask those not essential to the event to enjoy remotely.

Custodial:

- As a lessee of a KCMO-owned facility, the ARA relies on Aramark for custodial services. The ARA has had communication with the City of Kansas City to ensure custodial and facility maintenance programs fall in line with Kansas City Health Department guidelines.