

## DEPARTMENTS 30 & 40 – PULLING: PONY, HORSE, OXEN

All horses and ponies temporarily imported into Vermont for purposes of participating in any pulling event, farm horse competition, exhibit or any other competition must be accompanied by the following:

- A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI - commonly called a health chart) including the complete description of the horse, and completed and signed within 30 days of the import by a veterinarian licensed and accredited in the state of origin; or a CVI dated within 6 months (180 days) of importation accompanied by an exhibition permit, obtained from the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. To obtain an exhibition permit, contact the Agency's animal health office at 802-828-2421.
- A valid negative EIA test record (negative Coggins test), containing a complete description of the horse and completed and signed by a veterinarian licensed and accredited with the state of origin. This negative test record must be dated within 12 months of entry into Vermont and is required for all horses 6 months of age or older and for any weanling traveling without dam, regardless of age.

Any owner, competitor, or handler in possession of a horse or pony at a Vermont pulling event or other competition or exhibit without the required CVI, exhibition permit where applicable, and a negative Coggins test chart is subject to immediate dismissal from the grounds and from the State by the Vermont State Veterinarian or his or her designee. See 2023 Tunbridge World's Fair Horse Health Standards for more details.

For health requirements or recommendations for pulling oxen please refer to the 2023 Oxen & Steer Health Standards for more details.

The Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, Food Safety and Consumer Protection Division, Vermont State Veterinarian's phone number: 802-828-2421. Animal Health Recommendations for Vermont Fairs, Field Days and Festivals may be found [here](#).

The Pulling Superintendent reserves the right to turn away any animal deemed unfit or unsafe for exhibition.