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TAHC Commissioners Adopt Rule Amendments Chapter 51, Entry Requirements

AUSTIN, TX – The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) held a regularly scheduled Commission meeting May 6, 2026, at its headquarters in Austin. The following amendments were adopted and go into effect May 29, 2025.

Chapter 51, Entry Requirements

The adopted amendments apply to entry requirements for shows, fairs, and exhibitions, and remove the definition of “interstate show” and adds a definition for “official identification.” The amendments also add a recordkeeping requirement for sponsors of shows, eliminate the distinction between interstate and intrastate shows, maintain entry requirements for out-of-state participants, and eliminate the need for Texas participants to meet the same standards of out-of-state participation.

The updated rule is available in the Texas Administrative Code under [Title 4, Part 2, Chapter 51](#). The Texas Administrative Code can be accessed through the [TAHC website](#).

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The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) was established in 1893 as the Livestock Sanitary Commission and charged with protecting the state's domestic animals “from all contagious or infectious diseases of a malignant character.” TAHC remains true to this charge while evolving with the times to protect the health and marketability of all Texas livestock and poultry. Learn more about the TAHC by visiting www.tahc.texas.gov.