# CLEANING AND DISINFECTION: PIG BARNS AT COUNTY FAIRS

A good, common disinfectant is a 10 percent bleach/water mixture in combination with a detergent (dish or laundry soap). Dirt and manure needs to be removed prior to the use of a disinfectant. Use a spray bottle to apply bleach mixture and disinfecting wipes for solid services.



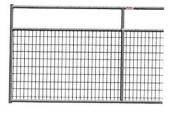
# Scales:

- Rinse dirt and manure off with a hose and disinfect between trailers of pigs during check in or every six to eight pigs handled
- Focus on the parts of the scale that have direct contact with the nose of the pig
- · Completely clean scale daily when in use
- All other equipment used at weigh-in (taggers) should also be disinfected at the same time



# **Sorting Boards:**

- Disinfect between classes using a second set of boards
- · Remove dirt and manure first
- · Avoid nose contact as much as possible



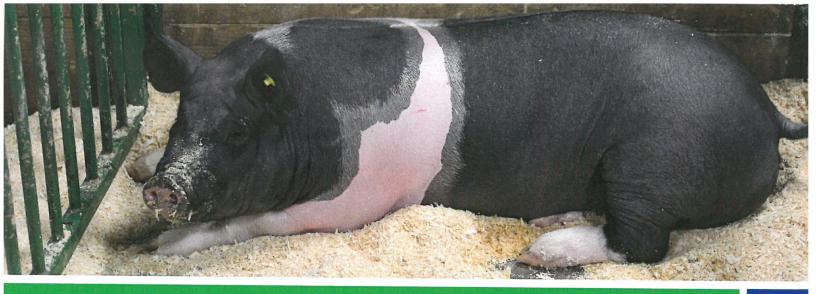
## Wash Area:

- Disinfect at least once a day
- Remove dirt and manure first
- · Cleaning at night will allow the area to dry overnight

Reminder: Exhibitors should wash their hands often, not share equipment and clean and disinfect their equipment before and after use at fair events.







# **HEALTH SAFETY TIPS: SWINE INFLUENZA**

Fairs and exhibitions play an important role in showcasing agriculture to the public. These are some things you can do to help keep everyone involved safe.



# **Pig Safety**

- · Isolate sick pigs
- Monitor feed/water consumption
- Regular cleaning and disinfecting
- Keep pigs cool and hydrated
- · Reduce pig stress
- Consider shortening the time pigs are at the fair



# **Public Safety**

- Restrict public access to the barns
- Consider closing gates after the pigs have been at the event for 72 hours.
- Visitors to animal areas should wash hands regularly



### **Exhibitor Safety**

- Minimize exhibitor's time in the pig barn
- No food or beverages in the pig barn
- Exhibitors should wash hands regularly - even when it's their pig
- Seek medical care if exhibitors or others develop influenza-like symptoms

Reminder: The normal temperature for a pig is 101.5 – 103.5 F, if the temperature is equal to or greater than 105 degrees report to MDARD at 800-292-3939.



