



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

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To: California Network of Fairgrounds

Subject: ADA Compliance and Reasonable Accommodation Reminder

As a reminder, all fairgrounds are expected to remain in full compliance with the **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)** and all related regulations. Maintaining an environment that is inclusive, respectful, and accommodating to individuals with disabilities is not only a legal obligation, but also a fundamental part of ensuring that our fairgrounds serve the entire community.

Each request for accommodation must be evaluated on its own merits. Fairgrounds should make every effort to provide **reasonable accommodations** that allow individuals with disabilities equal access and full participation in all activities, programs, and services.

Please note that reasonable accommodations are not limited to individuals alone. They should also be extended, when appropriate, to the **children, caretakers, and immediate party** accompanying the disabled individual at fairgrounds. This practice ensures that our community remains welcoming and compliant with the spirit and requirements of the ADA.

Compliance is essential for the following reasons:

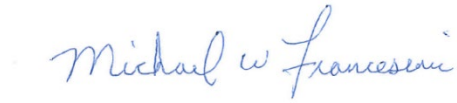
- **Legal Obligation:** ADA requirements apply to all public facilities, including fairgrounds, and non-compliance can result in complaints and legal action.
- **Equal Access:** Ensuring accommodation allows all event attendees, including those with disabilities, to safely and fully participate in events.

We appreciate your cooperation in upholding these standards and reinforcing our shared commitment to accessibility and inclusion. Should you have questions regarding specific situations, please contact California Department of Food and Agriculture for guidance for District Agricultural Associations. For County and Citrus Fruit Fairs, please contact your local legal representative.



Thank you for your attention to this important matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact your assigned Resource Coordinator or Mike Francesconi at (916) 900-5365.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael W. Francesconi".

Mike Francesconi
Branch Chief, Fairs and Expositions

