

# Rules and Regulations

1. The Cabarrus County Fair hours are:  
Friday, September 9th 4:00 pm-11:00 pm  
Saturday, September 10th 1:00 pm-11:00 pm  
Sunday, September 11th 1:00 pm-10:00 pm  
Monday, September 12th—Friday,  
September 16th 4:00 pm-11:00 pm  
Saturday, September 17th 1:00 pm-11:00 pm
2. Parking space does not insure against theft or fire hence the Fair is not responsible in case of theft or fire.
3. Drunkenness, quarreling or the use of profane or obscene language will not be permitted on the grounds. The Fair reserves the right to expel any objectionable person or persons from the grounds without the refund of admission price.
4. The rules and regulations apply to each and every department of the Fair. Exhibitors and concessionaires are asked to familiarize themselves with all the rules. Any person or persons obstructing any passage or roadway on the Fairgrounds with automobile or other vehicle shall be removed at owners expense and will be subject to the penalty of a misdemeanor.
5. **The Management reserves the right to amend or add to these rules as they deem fit without prior notice to exhibitors.**
6. The Management shall have supervision and control of all exhibits and exhibitions for the Fair, whether in the building or on the grounds, and reserves the right to prescribe the dimensions and regulate the position of all signs, to control the distribution of advertising matter and generally direct the articles on exhibition insofar as same may be necessary to secure harmony and attractive appearance.
7. **The Management reserves the right to reject any entries offered.**
8. No article or animal shall be entitled to space until proper entry has been made.
9. **Premiums may be withheld for misrepresentation or failure to comply with the rules.**
10. Exhibitors' business cards, pamphlets, circulars, etc. may be distributed after judging is complete as long as materials have been pre- approved by Management.
11. All exhibits must be registered by the deadlines specified to be eligible for competition. Physical entries will be received in the lobby of Gold Hall on Tuesday, September 6th from 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm and again on Wednesday, September 7th from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm with the exception of Departments D, F,G & H. The Fair reserves the right to place exhibits in their proper class if they have been entered incorrectly.
12. In making entries, it is necessary to give the name of the article, the premium number under which the article is to compete, exhibitor's name, mailing address, phone number, email address and a completed W-9 form.
13. All entries must be in place in the exhibit hall by 7:00 pm Wednesday, September 7th and exhibits must be removed Sunday afternoon, September 18th between 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm.
  - **All Livestock entries including Poultry and Rabbits must be removed by 12 noon on Sunday, September 18th.**
  - **All Competitive Exhibits must be removed by 5:00 pm Sunday, September 18th**
  - **Any entries including livestock not removed will be considered abandoned and will be disposed of by the Arena Staff. Exhibits may not be removed prior to Sunday, September 18th .** Please see additional information outlined within each department regarding Livestock and Poultry entries which are governed by special rules (Departments D, F, G & H) due to health and safety concerns.
14. Adult Departments (M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T) are open to adults 19 and older.
15. All articles which are products of the soil must be entered in the name of the producer. Those showing handiwork or skill must be entered in the name of the one whose skill they exhibit. Unless article is of good quality, premium will not be awarded. All other property including livestock must be entered in the name of the actual owner.
16. The Management reserves the right to remove from the grounds any exhibit, concession or objectionable exhibit or show that may be falsely entered or may be deemed unsuitable by them. without assigning any reason therefore.

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**17. No exhibitor will be permitted to exhibit more than one article or animal having the same premium number with the exception of Beef and Dairy. The same article/animal cannot compete for more than one premium in any department. All entries must be new entries unless provided for. Exhibitors are urged not to exhibit any items having personal or sentimental value.**

18. Premiums are designated by ribbons, blue-first; red-second; white-third; and pink-fourth. These ribbons will be attached after judges have made their awards. All young children in Dept. K will receive a green participant's ribbon and a \$1.00 honorarium per exhibit up to ten. **Premiums are paid only in accordance with official judges sheets and not from ribbons that may be attached to the exhibits.** They are payable according to the department schedules. First year exhibitors will receive one ribbon total not per item. **It will be the responsibility of the participant to alert Department Superintendents if they are a first time exhibitor.**

19. First, second, and third premiums will be offered. When three or more quality entries are made in a class, first money will be paid first winner, second money second, third money third winner. When only one or two entries are made, the awarding of premiums will be left to the discretion of the judges.

## **EXHIBITION OF ARTICLES NOT LISTED**

20. The exhibition of articles not enumerated in the regular schedule of premiums are invited and they will be placed in the proper department and displayed to visitors.

## **LIABILITY TO FAIR EXHIBITORS**

21. In no case shall Cabarrus County, Cabarrus County Agricultural Fair or the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center be held responsible for any loss, theft, injury, death by disease or damage of any character, to any property, while same is at the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center at any time or place, regardless of the cause of such loss or damage. All entries are made subject to this rule, and there are absolutely no exceptions.

NOTICE: The Fair, Cabarrus County and the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center will not be responsible for any claims, losses, injuries, or damages done to, occasioned by, or arising from any animal or item exhibited and the exhibitor shall release, indemnify and hold harmless the Fair, Cabarrus County and the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center, its agents, employees, officers and contractors from all claims, losses, injuries and damages including, but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees.

## **JUDGES**

22. Premiums will not be paid to exhibitors when it is proven that they accompanied the judges when awarding the premiums. The judges sheets, when completed, will return to the Exhibit Director, who will then submit them to the Fair Office.

23. Decision of the Judges shall be final and no appeal shall be considered except in case of protest in writing, with strong evidence of fraud or violation of the rules.

24. Judges must not permit consolidation or change of exhibits.

25. No exhibitor shall be within hearing distance of any judge during judging exhibits. Violation of this rule shall disqualify any exhibitors so acting, in the discretion of the judge.

26. The Fair will not be liable for typographical errors in the Premium Catalog.

## **PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS**

27. All exhibitors receiving premiums will receive a Cabarrus County issued check. It will be mailed to the person designated on the exhibitors W-9 form within 60 days of the close of the fair.

## **NOTICE**

28. **WARNING** - Under North Carolina Law, a farm animal activity sponsor of farm animal professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in farm animal activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of farm animal activities. Chapter 99E of the North Carolina General Statutes.