

Veterinarian on grounds will take care of inspection of animals but if an animal becomes ill or needs medical attention at the fair, the individual owner/exhibitor should contact their own veterinarian first. If the veterinarian that is scheduled on the grounds that day is used, a fee will be charged for said services to the owner of the animal.

## Rules and Regulations for Exhibitors

1. All persons desiring to exhibit at the Great Geauga County Fair will confer a favor on the management and save themselves unnecessary annoyance by reading these rules carefully and governing themselves accordingly. In order to facilitate the handling of exhibits; to extend to each exhibitor the same unbiased rights, and to afford the utmost in pleasure, comfort and safety, to the visiting public, these rules will be enforced.

2. The Board of Directors reserves the sole and absolute right to interpret all rules and regulations set forth in this book and also reserves the right to rule on all questions not covered in these rules and regulations and determine arbitrarily all matters and differences in regard thereto, from which there is no appeal.

3. The Society will take every reasonable precaution in its power for the safety of visitors and the safe preservation of stock and articles on exhibition after their arrival and arrangement on the grounds, but will not be responsible for any loss, theft, damage or accident that may occur. Exhibitors are requested to give attention to their articles during the fair and attend to their removal at the close.

4. The Society reserves the right to pay the premium which may be awarded for exhibition pro rata, provided there are not sufficient funds (after paying all the expenses of the Society) in the treasury to pay in full. All premiums shall be paid only by the records of the Judge's Books and from which there is no appeal.

Should a premium be found to have been obtained by false evidence or any misrepresentation or violation of any rules of the Society on the part of the exhibitor, they may be subject to disciplinary action.

5. Each exhibitor shall buy either a Membership Ticket with five (5) admission coupons for \$30 or an Exhibitor's Ticket with five (5) admission coupons for \$25, or an Exhibitor's Ticket with three (3) admission coupons for \$15. All exhibitors with livestock are required to purchase either the \$25 exhibitors or the \$30 membership. Only residents of Geauga County may become members of the Geauga Agricultural Society. Exhibitors requiring Helper's Tickets must purchase them at the same time. Helper's Tickets are \$4 each and animal exhibitors may purchase a maximum of fifteen (15) of the \$4 helper tickets regardless of the number of animals entered.

6. Entries and exhibitor tickets in all departments must either be postmarked or entered at the Secretary's office by 3 p.m. August 12, 2020.

7. Change of entries will not be permitted to correct errors except with the consent of the Director of the department where the entry is to be exhibited.

8. All livestock entries will be accepted as long as accommodations are available up to closing date. Thereafter further entries will be promptly returned to the sender.

9. Each animal must be in compliance with health requirements of the Ohio Department of Agriculture at time of entry on Fairgrounds.

10. Livestock must receive feed and water of sufficient quantity and quality on a regular basis so as to help ensure growth and maintenance of normal body condition.

11. Each animal must be exhibited in the name of the bona

fide owner.

12. Bedding must be furnished by the exhibitor.

13. No animal or article considered unworthy by the judge shall be awarded a premium. Where there is but one animal or article in a class the judge may award first, second or no premium if he deems it undeserving.

14. No person is to interfere with the judges during their examination of the stock or articles, nor during their deliberations prior to making any award and any person so doing may be subject to disciplinary action.

15. The assignment of stalls for livestock and space for exhibited articles shall be solely the responsibility of the Director in charge of the department and his/her decision shall be final.

16. All livestock must be in place by Midnight Wednesday before the start of the fair and remain in place until 8 p.m. on Monday of the fair. Livestock must be out of the barns and off the fairgrounds by Noon Tuesday, the day after the fair.

17. Any request for an animals early release must be approved by the Director in charge of the department in conjunction with the inspection of the official fair veterinarian.

18. All static exhibits must remain in place until 8 p.m on Monday of the Fair.

19. Any electric cord used on the fairgrounds has to be 3 wire 14 gauge UL approved.

20. Exhibitors shall not park their cars, trucks or trailers next to any exhibit hall or livestock barn, except for a reasonably brief period for loading or unloading supplies, exhibits or related articles. All vehicles must be off the grounds between 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily during the fair.

21. Starting Thursday, first day of the fair, ALL LIVESTOCK AND TRAILERS MUST ENTER THRU GATE 8, which is at the Peckham Road entrance to fairgrounds.

22. Alcoholic Beverages are prohibited on Geauga County Fairgrounds property during the Fair.

23. Only certified service and Junior Fair dogs allowed on fairgrounds.

24. There will be no soliciting, panhandling, or requests for donations on the fairgrounds one week prior to, during, or three days after the fair.

25. There is to be no roving distribution of literature or posting of for sale signs, or advertising promotions on the fairgrounds during the fair, unless done so in the confines of their own contracted or commercial rented spaces. Any violation of the above practices will result in a warning and request to stop. A second violation will result in removal from the fair.

26. Grievances arising in any department of the fair must be submitted in writing by the complainant (and witnessed by three persons) to the Secretary no later than the last day of the fair. Protests must be accompanied by a Protest Fee of \$5 which will become the property of the Society if the protest is not sustained. All protests will be considered by the Board at its next regular session. Parties involved will be notified and given the opportunity to submit evidence.

27. The Fair Board expects courteous and orderly conduct by the exhibitors and their attendants. Harassment, profanity or questionable conduct towards fair officials, judges, show manager, help or exhibitors will not be tolerated at the fair or during fair related activities throughout the course of the year.

28. No exhibitor or fair participant shall on fairgrounds property and during any fair event either defile any animal nor exhibit or display on any animal in any manner, including but not limited to written words, pictures, or symbols, so as to promote, advertise, or express any product, fact, opinion, or belief.

29. The Fair Board reserves the right to impose penalties and take disciplinary action for any rule or policy violation occurring during the fair and at all fair related activities throughout the course of the year. These penalties may include, but are not limited to disqualification, loss of awards and premiums, as well as banishment from future fairs.