

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

ENTRY CARDS: Open Class Sheep Exhibitors should pick up cards in the superintendent's office upon arrival at the fair. Open Beef Cattle will provide the information on the entry blanks.

Entry cards are to assist breed representatives in breaking down your entries into individual classes. Please fill out a card for each animal you will be showing. Each card must be completely filled out and legible. Please have the cards completed and the animal's registration paper attached when you arrive at the fair. This will allow check-in to proceed smoothly and quickly.

FEED, BEDDING AND SUPPLIES

Straw for first bedding will not be furnished, except for poultry and rabbits. Sawdust and sand are not to be used for bedding, due to the difficulty in disposing of manure containing these materials. Preferred bedding is straw.

BEEF CATTLE EXHIBITORS

All Beef Cattle Exhibitors will be required to pay a \$20 per head bedding fee. Tan bark will be provided in the Voinovich Beef Barn only, none will be provided for tie-outs. Animals entered in both Open and Junior Shows only need to pay a \$20 per head fee once.

As a service to exhibitors Management has contracted with a concessionaire to make available for purchase grain, hay, straw and some miscellaneous supplies. The store is located under the viaduct across from the Gilligan Livestock Complex (Horse Barn). Prices must be posted and be in line with the retail market of this general trade area. All purchases made during the show must be from the feed concession. No outside vendors will be permitted to make deliveries on the fairgrounds.

Exhibitors may provide their own feed, but are **not permitted** to sell to others, **nor** may they store feed in aisles or block aisles with service vehicles.

Exhibitors purchasing feed and bedding from the concessionaire must have a receipt before a livestock release is granted or premium money is paid.

Exhibitors must keep pens and aisles clean and in order, along with keeping their animals clean and well cared for, as a part of their contribution to the Ohio State Fair. Exhibitors must place manure outside of the building in area provided for loading. Manure **must not** be left on the ramp or platform. Exhibitors neglecting to do this will be warned for the first offense. Premiums and special awards won shall be **forfeited** for further neglect and lack of cooperation.

Only animals placing first or second in their individual classes are eligible to compete for championship rosettes and trophies.

Junior Fair Horse Show entries are made by the State 4-H Office. All other entries should be made by the individual on Ohio State Fair Junior Division entry blanks.

IRS INFORMATION

In order to comply with the Internal Revenue Service requires the Ohio Expositions Commission require a properly completed W-9 Form and Vendor Information Form to be submitted with each competitive entry. When completing these forms, please be sure to carefully read and follow the form's instructions. Payment of cash premiums will be made according to this information, therefore these forms should be completed consistently with how the competitor is registered with the Internal Revenue Service. Your W-9 and New Vendor Information Form must be completed and returned with your entry form. You will find these forms on the Ohio State Fair website at www.ohiostatefair.com

Questions regarding entry fees, entry tags, and admission tickets should be addressed to the Entry Department, at the following:

Barb Prince, Entry Department Supervisor
614/644-4052

b.prince@expo.state.oh.us

Or

Stacey French, Agriculture Department
614/644-4049

s.french@expo.state.oh.us

You will want to print the General Rules and Regulations and the section(s) you are entering. You must print the entry form and mail, along with all entry fees to the Ohio State Fair, Entry Department, 717 East 17th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43211.

Junior exhibitors still need to have their county extension agent or FFA Instructor sign their entry form. Once signed by all parties, please mail, along with entry fees to the above address.

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Ticket Information: Youth Exhibitor Ticket - This ticket will be used only by youth exhibitors and will be a different color than all other passes.

No one will be handstamped when they enter the fairgrounds. If you leave the grounds during the day, you will need to get a handstamp before you leave the grounds. Handstamps will only be provided at the request of the fairgoer as they exit the fairgrounds. If you fail to get the handstamp before you leave the grounds, you will need to use a ticket or pay to get back on the fairgrounds. Junior exhibitors arriving after the fair begins, will be

mailed one admission ticket . Parking permits may be purchased **ONLY** by Open Class exhibitors.

The 6-Day Admission Ticket - More than one person may use this ticket for admission into the Ohio State Fair. The gate personnel will punch out the total number of people using the ticket. This can be done **ONLY** with the 6-day admission ticket. The 12-day admission ticket cannot be used in this way; it is good for only one person.

Junior Fair Exhibitors - Junior fair exhibitors who arrive prior to the opening of the fair, will obtain their admission tickets when they check-in. All other junior fair exhibitors will be mailed one (1) admission ticket. Once you arrive and check-in, you will receive additional tickets at that time.

FIRST AID STATION

Management will maintain an equipped first aid center staffed by paramedics with stretcher golf carts to provide emergency treatment and reference facilities for accidents and illnesses occurring on the grounds.

If an illness or injury is severe or additional medical attention is necessary, the Columbus Fire Department Emergency Squad will be called in to transport the patient to the closest and appropriate hospital. If the injury or illness needs additional attention, but the patient does not require assistance in getting to a medical facility or emergency room, he/she will be given direction to said facilities. In all cases, medical bills are the responsibility of the patient, or parent/legal guardian in the case of a minor. Management assumes no responsibility for accidents on the grounds.

The first aid center is located on the east side of the Agriculture and Horticulture Building, and is open 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. each day of the fair.

CAMPING

There will be limited camper space for exhibitors north of 17th Avenue at \$35.00 per day. This space is for sleeping quarters only. There are a limited number of electrical outlets available in the camping area on a first-come, first-served basis. Permits may be purchased at Gate Entrance to Camper Area. Combination livestock and living quarter trailers will not be permitted in Camper Area.

RHODES CENTER CAFETERIA

The cafeteria of the Rhodes Center will be open to Junior Division exhibitors and participants for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Parents, teachers, leaders and other members of the public are welcome and encouraged to patronize the cafeteria.