

**174th ANNUAL
NEW YORK STATE FAIR
581 STATE FAIR BOULEVARD
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August 20 through September 6, 2021

LIVESTOCK GENERAL RULES

**STATE OF NEW YORK
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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS
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**NEW YORK STATE FAIR
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Information for other competitions are available on request and on-line at nysfair.ny.gov/competitions

Youth Department Premium Lists are distributed through 4-H and FFA County Agents.

NEW YORK STATE FAIR MISSION STATEMENT

New York State is agriculture, youth, education, industry, diverse cultural traditions and more – our treasured past and brilliant future.

The primary purpose of the New York State Fair is to conduct an annual celebration of the economic, cultural and institutional strengths indigenous to New York with a special emphasis on agriculture as one of the State’s largest and most important industries. Along with twelve-days of expositions, the Fair will offer various forms of affordable entertainment and amusement for families and friends, and showcase the talents, skills and aspiration of our youth. The Fair will also promote agricultural growth and awareness through educational programs, Statewide competitions in breeding and showing of livestock, and by promoting and supporting the sale of the State’s agricultural and food products.

The Fair administration will proficiently and effectively promote the ongoing use of the Fairgrounds to realize the full potential of the Fair as a leading center for exhibitions, trade shows, agricultural events, and cultural and entertainment productions. At the same time, the Fair administration will foster State pride and maximize revenue while preserving the character and tradition of the Fair.

With a full embrace of the State’s insignia, “Excelsior,” the Fair will be operated according to the highest standards of professionalism and ethical conduct.

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**2021 NEW YORK STATE FAIR
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITORS**
(Prices subject to change)

ADMISSION

General Admission.....\$3.00

EXHIBITOR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

IMPORTANT ARRIVAL INFORMATION
These rules affect all livestock and horses

- A. All **OPEN HORSES (except barrel racers or horse pull)** must enter gate #5 and take a left. Once unloaded, exit gate #5 and then enter at gate #6 or #7, follow directions to Horse/Livestock Parking in Black lot.
- B. All **OPEN BARREL RACERS AND HORSE PULL** must enter gate #6, follow perimeter road to Gate #11. Barns directly ahead. Unload at barn. Trailers park around back and front of barns. If not enough room, superintendent will direct you.
- C. All **DAIRY CATTLE** enter Gate 2. Vet check at barn and then unload. Exit Gate 11 by following down Tonowanda St.
- D. All **BEEF CATTLE** enter gate #6 or #7, follow perimeter road until you come to staging area under the overpass. Attendants will direct you when you can proceed. Vet check at barn then unload. Proceed back down Belle Isle Rd. and exit Gate #11, then follow signs to Horse/Livestock Parking in Black Lot.
- E. All **OTHER LIVESTOCK** enter gate #6 or #7 to Gate #11. Take a left down Belle Isle Rd. Beef and horse barns on left. Goat, Llama, Sheep and Swine take a right onto Livestock Road. Vet check at barn/sheep tent and then unload. Proceed back down Belle Isle Road and exit at Gate #11, then follow signs to Horse/Livestock Parking in Black Lot.

1. The rules printed herein are made a part of the conditions under which all entries of exhibitors are made, and exhibitors are respectfully requested to read them carefully, thereby avoiding confusion at the time of the Fair.
2. As a condition of exhibiting at the New York State Fair, the exhibitor authorizes the State Fair to use any photographs from the event for future publication.
3. See individual livestock departments for specific fees and deadlines. (Canadian checks are not presentable in the Federal Reserve District for collection. Canadian exhibitors must pay in US Funds.)

Entries may be made on-line at www.nysfair.ny.gov/competitions

Failure to exhibit entry for any reason not satisfactory to the Superintendent of that Department shall forfeit all fees paid by them, except where cancellation of classes, lack of housing or similar reasons prevent exhibition of entry.

4. Exhibitors should read all regulations, deadlines and department descriptions to ensure they are entering their exhibit correctly.
5. The New York State Fair assumes no responsibility for payment of special awards offered by others.
6. While the Management will do everything in its power for the safety and protection of all exhibits, it does not assume responsibility in case of loss or damage to exhibits from any cause. Exhibitor assumes risk associated with, resulting from or arising in connection with exhibitor's participation or presence at the New York State Fair, including, risks of theft, loss, harm or injury to the person, property, whether caused by negligence, intentional act, accident, Act of God or otherwise. Exhibitor has sole responsibility for its property or any theft, damage or other loss to such property, whether or not stored in any courtesy storage areas. The New York State Fair, nor any of their respective officers, directors, employees, representatives or assigns, shall be liable for, and exhibitor hereby releases all of them from, and covenants not to sue any of them with respect to, risks, damages and liability described in this paragraph.
7. **The Fair management reminds all exhibitors that the minimum legal drinking age is 21. They urge any exhibitor(s) hosting a post-show party to closely monitor their guests for the legal age requirement. The management reminds exhibitors that they may be liable in case of accident(s) and recommends that any post-show party be conducted in such fashion as to minimize any negative impressions of the agriculture industry by the fairgoing public.**
8. The removal of exhibits shall be governed by the rules of the respective department
9. The Management assumes no responsibility in case of loss or damage to stock or other exhibits from any cause; and upon this condition only are entries received.
10. Goods and stock must be delivered upon the grounds and put in place by the exhibitors and removed by them at the close of the Fair.
11. Exhibitors must show their exhibits whenever and in such manner as required by the Superintendent in charge of the Department.

12. The decision of the judges shall be final in all cases, except where error, fraud, misrepresentation or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award, is proven. In such cases the Superintendent or such referee as he may appoint may make decisions, or the case may be appealed to the Agriculture Manager, whose decisions shall be final. All protests must be in writing and filed with the Agriculture Manager before 10:00 a.m. of the last day of the Fair.
13. All entries in the following departments must be made in the name of their owners – Poultry, Horse, Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Sheep, Swine and Goats.
14. The right is reserved to withhold the prizes awarded in every case in which it shall appear to the Management that the regulations have not been complied with, or that fraud or deception has been attempted, or where the article or animal is not worthy and its decision shall be final and binding on all parts.
15. No person having entered anything for competition or exhibition may afterwards withdraw it; prize cards and ribbons must be displayed during the Fair. Any infraction of these rules will incur the forfeiture of all prizes awarded to the exhibitor, and such further penalty as the Management may impose.

PREMIUM CHECKS AWARDED

1. Premiums are paid solely from the records of the judge's books. Ribbons or cards have no value as to the payment of premiums
2. The New York State Comptroller's Office requires that the social security number/federal id number of the exhibitor be on file with the New York State Fair for the payment of premiums/prize money. Failure to provide this information by October 1st will result in forfeiture of premiums.
3. Premiums will be mailed between October 15 – November 15, 2020.
4. All premium checks not cashed within 60 days of the check's date are void.