



To our Horse Show Exhibitors:

As we prepare for the 2026 Fair, our highest priority remains ensuring a safe, secure, and enjoyable experience for all visitors. To support this goal, The Fair is implementing key infrastructure enhancements and policy changes in collaboration with our public safety partners.

As part of our ongoing commitment to maintaining a safe environment for exhibitors, staff, and the public, The Fair worked closely with state and federal law enforcement and emergency management partners following the last Fair to review existing procedures and identify areas for improvement. The Fair also consulted with state veterinarians and organizers of comparable large-scale events, and the resulting updates are aligned with widely accepted industry standards. Please read the general policy changes below.

Policy and Infrastructure Changes to Note:

- **Vehicle Access Restrictions:** Vehicles will not be permitted inside the exterior perimeter of the fairgrounds from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. during Fair operations (August 26 – September 7, 2026), with exceptions for official New York State Fair and emergency vehicles (ambulances, fire apparatus, and police vehicles). These measures are part of our ongoing commitment to prioritize pedestrian safety.
- **Deliveries:** Delivery access will be limited to the hours between 11:30 p.m. and 8:30 a.m. during Fair operations. Please plan accordingly to ensure timely deliveries within this window.

Additionally, as we have been working with our livestock superintendents, we are keenly aware of the impact these changes may have on the arrival and departure for you and your livestock. Therefore, we have made allowances in the schedules so that you will have significant time to arrive, check in with the veterinarian, park your trailer/camper, settle in and settle your respective animals. **The schedule for all horse shows is [listed here](#).**

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we implement these critical safety enhancements. We greatly value your partnership and look forward to working together to make this year's Fair a safe and successful event for all!

Sincerely,

The Great New York State Fair