

Livestock General Rules 2024

Disclosure

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information on this website. However, exhibitors are cautioned that the current rules and regulations of the State Fair Park Authority, as interpreted by Fair Administration and the Board of Directors, will take precedence over this listing due to the possibility of typographical error or inadvertent omission.

In the event of conflict between the general rules and the special rules governing the various departments, the special rules will take precedence.

The Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the Fair.

The Board reserves the right to amend or add to these rules, as it, in its judgment, may deem necessary.

Entries

1. Competition at the Utah State Fair is governed by State Fair Park Authority general rules and regulations as well as the special rules in each department.
2. Exhibitors shall complete online entry forms through a link provided on utahstatefair.com. **Online entries are strongly encouraged as it helps streamline check ins and allows fair management to properly prepare for the fair.** Payment of entry charge must accompany entry form. **No refunds will be made on entry fees.**
3. Submittance of entry form by the exhibitor constitutes a contract between the State Fair Park Authority and the exhibitor. It indicates the exhibitor's acceptance of Fair rules and his/her eligibility for prize awards as offered by the State Fair Park Authority.
4. When sufficient entries are received in any department to fill the space available, no further entries will be accepted. To ensure entry, it is essential that it be made well in advance of the closing date.
5. A protest against judging, exhibitor handbook rules, exhibition of displays, damage to an exhibit or a disagreement with Fair personnel, shall be made in writing to Fair Management, stating the exact reason for the complaint. The Executive Director, his/her designee and/or the Board of Directors shall consider and act on the complaint.
6. Upon request, exhibitors may view the official entry and judge's forms in the Administration office one month after the conclusion of the Fair but prior to December 31st of that year.
7. Unless otherwise provided, articles can be entered only by the owner or producer. Any attempt to perpetrate a fraud by misrepresentation will bar the specimen from competing for any premium.

8. Department supervisors may remove from the grounds any exhibit that is falsely entered, or which may be deemed unsuitable or objectionable.

14. Anyone requesting new categories or classes for inclusion in future exhibitor handbooks shall submit, in writing, a request to Fair Management by January 5th. Final action on the request shall be taken by the Executive Director, his/her designee and/or the Board.

16. Departments

- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Dairy Goats
- Hogs
- Sheep
- Boer Goats
- Pigeons
- Poultry
- Rabbits

Premiums

All prizes will be awarded as soon as possible after judging. Checks not cashed within 90 days of issue date will become void.

All budget related requests must be submitted in writing to the Fairpark management by the 1st of January to be considered for that year's Fair.

Judging

1. No judge will be allowed to exhibit in the department in which he/she is acting as a judge.
2. A judge will not be allowed to judge exhibits entered by a member of his or her immediate family. The judge should notify the department supervisor prior to judging if this situation occurs.
3. Judges must avoid contact with the exhibitors and will refuse to hear the merits or demerits of exhibits upon which they will be expected to pass judgment. They must, if an attempt be made by an exhibitor to interfere or influence their decision, report the fact at once to the Department Supervisor.
4. The regular premium offered by the Fair cannot be changed by any judge or supervisor and no extra premiums can be awarded except by the Fair Board. In the event there is no competition in class numbers, the judge shall determine which award the entry would receive in

the face of competition. In no event will two entries by the same owner, producer, or same herd constitute competition.

5. Judges must not award prizes to an unworthy exhibit. It is the intention of the management that no premium or distinction of any kind shall be given to any article that is not deserved. **This rule must be strictly adhered to whether or not there is competition.**

6. Judges and clerk assistants need to carefully enter the award on the judging sheet after it's been made, as premium payment depends on this entry.

7. The judge, superintendent and clerk recording the awards of the department, must sign the judging sheets at the close of each show.

8. The entry clerk shall under no circumstances allow the judging sheets to go from his/her possession, or to be inspected by anyone, except authorized officers, until entries of the judge's decisions have been made, the records audited and closed.

9. The judges shall carefully read the general rules and all special rules under the heading of the department or class in which they are to judge; and especially note and mark those rules bearing on the classes to be adjudicated by them. Ignorance of rules is inexcusable with a judge.

10. Before any award is made, objections to a judge must be submitted to Fair Management, providing valid and sufficient reasons.

11. An exhibitor acting improperly towards fair officials may be barred from competition or exhibiting until making restitution and receiving reinstatement from the Fair Board.

Tickets

Exhibitors may purchase a season pass for **\$60** and/or a one-day pass for **\$9**. ***Discounted tickets will be available on a limited basis.***

Patron Rules

1. A patron shall pay a gate admission charge upon entrance to the annual Utah State Fair. The admission charge will be posted at the entrance gates and shall be established by the Executive Director and Board on a yearly basis. Gate refunds shall not be considered unless the patron submits, in writing, a request to Fair Management stating the reason for the refund request. A refund may be given at the discretion of the Executive Director or his/her designee.

2. A patron parking in a Fairpark parking lot shall pay a parking charge. The charge, which is subject to change, shall be posted at the parking lot entrance. Fair Management shall not be responsible for damage to vehicles or theft of property from vehicles.

3. Fair Management reserves the right to remove from the Fairpark any person who uses foul or abusive language, is wearing offensive clothing, makes offensive actions or is intoxicated, as determined by Fair Management, or violates any rules of the State Fair Park Authority.

4. Fair Management reserves the right to remove from the Fairpark any person distributing advertising material or conducting private business of any kind, or who does not have an authorized Space Lease Agreement.
5. A patron who feels he has been mistreated by Fairpark personnel, exhibitors, midway and food concession personnel, or others, shall submit, in writing, a detailed summary of his complaint for action by Fair Management and/or the Board of Directors.
6. A patron involved in any type of accident while on the Fairpark shall contact the Fairpark Administration office or a Fairpark representative immediately to request that an official accident report be completed.
7. No pets, bicycles, motorcycles, rollerblades, roller-skates, skateboards or golf carts shall be allowed on the Fairpark without written approval of Fairpark Management. Service animals, as defined by ADA requirements, are the only exception.
8. A patron purchasing merchandise or entering contracts with commercial, educational, and nonprofit exhibitors is responsible for his transactions. The State Fair Park Authority shall not assume responsibility for faulty merchandise or for agreements entered in to by a patron.
9. A patron shall not litter on the Fairpark. Trash shall be placed in barrels provided.
10. A patron shall not deface the grounds or buildings, outside or inside. Anyone damaging buildings or grounds shall be required to pay all repair and replacement costs.
11. No fires or flammable materials are allowed on the Fairpark without written approval of Fair Management.
12. **Patrons shall not remove State Fair Park Authority property from the buildings and grounds.**
13. A patron shall adhere to the hours of the Fairpark which shall be posted at the entrance gates and may be changed yearly.
14. Contractual service agreements negotiated by the State Fair Park Authority may be reviewed by any individual with prior approval of the Executive Director or his/her designee.
15. Any pictures or videos taken during the Fair for publicity or commercial gain must have the prior approval of the Executive Director or his/her designee. Media and/or professional photographers must obtain proper credentials at media check in located in the Wasatch Building.