



# 2026 ERIE COUNTY FAIR PARTICIPANTS MANUAL

This manual includes all the rules, requirements, procedures, policies and general information for Concessionaires and Vendors contracted with the Erie County Agricultural Society, producers of the Erie County Fair.

Failure to comply with the policies and procedures in this manual may result in a financial penalty or exclusions as a concessionaire or vendor.

## GATE HOURS ~ ERIE COUNTY FAIR

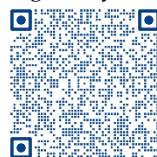
Wednesday, August 12 through Sunday, August 23 • 11:00am - 10:00pm

**Please keep a copy of this manual in your booth  
so ALL employees are familiar with Fair policies.**

**\*Management reserves the right to make revisions or additions to this manual\***

The *Fairgrounds Mobile App* can be downloaded by scanning the QR code.

Google Play Store



Apple App Store



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# IMPORTANT DATES & TIMES

## Concessions Office Hours:

Non-Fair Hours - Monday thru Friday 8am-4:30pm

Fair Hours August 8<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 8am-2pm

August 9<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) 8am -12pm

August 10<sup>th</sup> 8am-7pm

August 11<sup>th</sup> 8am-5:00pm **CLOSING FOR MANDATORY CONCESSION MEETINGS**

August 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> 8am-7pm

August 14<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> 10am-7pm

August 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am-Close

August 24<sup>th</sup> 8am-12pm

Return to "non-fair" hours on Tuesday after Fair

## Mandatory Vendor Meetings:

**Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** at Family Entertainment Complex (located on 42nd Street)

5:30pm – Outdoor Vendors

6:30pm – Indoor Vendors

**\*NEW\*** A \$250 fine will be assessed to each vendor that does not send a representative to the meeting.

## Hours of operation

11:00am to 10:00pm – Fairgrounds

12:00pm to 11:00pm – Carnival

Penalties for closing a booth before 10pm will be **STRICTLY ENFORCED and FINED**, see page 12

**\*\*Daily closing message will be sent via the IAmResponding message system nightly**

**\*DATE CHANGE\*** **Sensory Hours** - Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 2pm. There will be no PA announcements, no lights on concessions stand, no music in the carnival. There will be no sound checks during this time and all livestock show announcements will be turned down. PLEASE be sure to relay this information to your staff working on this day.

# IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO

## CONCESSIONS DEPARTMENT

Concessions Office of the Erie County Fair - **Myah Gabel** (716) 649-3900 ext. 6419

Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager - **Paula Struble**, CFE (716) 649-3900 ext. 6402

## Emergency

**DIAL 911** – tell the call taker that you are at the **Erie County Fair** and provide your booth location number (placard number), this will help identify locations.

**\*Continuing\*** The Erie County Fair Emergency Management Team will **ASSIST** vendors in placement of the signs.

## Non-Emergency or alternate for Onsite Emergency Services

716-649-3007 – Safety, Security and Emergency Management Office

# RULES & REGULATIONS

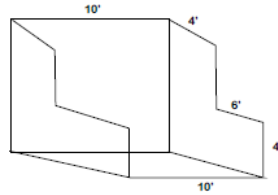
**Adhesive Stickers** - The distribution of adhesive stickers and decals at either no charge or for a nominal fee (less than \$1.25) is prohibited.

**Alcohol** - No alcohol is permitted on the grounds for personal consumption. Alcoholic beverages can be purchased and consumed on the fairgrounds only in designated areas.

**Approved Purveyors** - All food concessionaires must purchase their necessary supplies from a list (on page 15) of approved purveyors. Purchases from our purveyors will influence renewal for next year's Fair (excluding specialty items as approved by the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager).

**Back Flow Valve** - All food concessionaires are required to have vacuum breakers on all water connections.

**Booth Guidelines** - Your booth should be set up in accordance with the diagram below. It is not permissible to block the view of your neighbor's booth. Your booth should look professionally designed and display your corporate image and product. Each



booth, including equipment, is to be aesthetically pleasing and in good structural condition. All tables must be covered and skirted. All table skirting and coverings must be wrinkle free and of good quality. All stored stock and equipment must be out of public view. *All products, materials and manpower related to the operation of the booth **must be contained within its interior wall at all times.*** The Society is not responsible for any damage or loss of the concessionaire's merchandise, equipment and/or exhibit area. It is the individual concessionaire's responsibility to provide insurance on these items. All booth spaces are subject to change in either design or location by the Erie County Agricultural Society, producers of the Erie County Fair. The Society reserves the right to videotape or otherwise record and maintain a visual record of any concession or exhibit area.

**Building Floors** - All cords, mats and other possible tripping hazards must be secured to floors using gaff tape only. Absolutely NO duct tape or other adhesives.

**Contract Card** - This will be in your credential packet and must always be displayed in full view, along with your NYS Sales Tax Permit and where applicable Health Permit.

**Credentials** - All vendors must have proper credentials (admission ticket or multi-day pass) to enter the grounds. Accounts paid in full, with complete paperwork on file may pick up their credentials/ticket packet starting Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. Admission tickets can be exchanged for multi-day passes at pick up. *\*Credentials will not be distributed unless all paperwork is completed and payment in full is received in the Concessions office. This includes liability insurance approved by Society's Agent.*

**Cash/Credit Card Policy** - The Society has made the decision to not charge credit card fees to the vendors when paying their base rent or other fees. The Society is expecting that in return the vendors do not upcharge guests credit card fees. See **page 16** of this manual for credit card surcharge guidance. Here is more information about credit card surcharge compliance: [New York State General Business Law §518](#). Also, NYS Cash Acceptance Law went into effect on 3/20/2026. All vendors need to comply, see link: <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S4153/amendment/A>

**Delivery Tag** - This tag is to be used for restocking within time restrictions of 6:00am to 10:30am and from close of Fair to 2:00am ONLY. Each vehicle MUST display this tag to be on the grounds during this period. No admittance will be allowed without this tag or in-between the time restrictions. If additional tags are needed, please see the Concessions office. All deliveries after 10:30am must be hand trucked in.

**Dogs** - The Society has a NO dogs on the grounds policy with the only exception being service dogs. An emotional support dog is not considered to be a service dog under the Americans with Disabilities Act and, therefore emotional support dogs are not permitted on the grounds.

**Drone Policy** - Due to safety and privacy concerns of our guests, employees and the Fairgrounds property, the Erie County Agricultural Society prohibits the operation or use on the Fairgrounds property of unmanned aerial systems, or drones, by the general public-including model aircraft by recreational users

and hobbyists - without prior written authorization from Fairgrounds Management. Any violation of this policy may involve suspension of your access privileges to the Fairgrounds, as well as confiscation of any prohibited equipment, and may subject violators to any liability for damages, including, but not limited to, damages for trespass, violations of privacy, and physical injuries to persons and/or property, as well as legal fees.

**Electric** –If you require an electrical hookup at your space/booth, you must indicate the type needed on the Electrical Tab of the vendor portal, where all amenities are ordered. Exhibitors must supply their own extension cords. All equipment, regardless of source of power, must comply with the current National Electric Code (NEC), as well as State and Local safety codes.

All equipment must be properly tagged or marked with complete information as to the type and/or amount of amperage, voltage, etc. required. All exhibitors': 120-volt cords must be of the 2 wire, grounded type. All exposed non-current carrying metal parts of fixed equipment, which are liable to be energized, shall be grounded. The Fairgrounds reserves the right to refuse any connection to any exhibitor whose equipment is deemed unsafe by the electrical supervisor. All service connections and overload protection to such equipment must be made by a "Fairgrounds Electrician" only. The Fairgrounds is not responsible for voltage fluctuation or power failure for temporary conditions. Surge protection is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Exhibitors supplying their own breaker boxes (must be pre-wired) are required to have a service cord that is a minimum of 75 feet long (SO cord only).

**Fair Logo** - No products bearing the Erie County Fair logo will be permitted without the written permission from the Erie County Agricultural Society, producers of the Erie County Fair.

**Fencing** - *It is the responsibility of outdoor vendors to provide all fencing.* Stockade fencing is required to conceal all areas between concessions and prep areas from public view.

**Fire Extinguishers** - All food concessions are required to have a minimum 10lb or two 5lb 'ABC' Fire Extinguisher at each location. Any concessionaire using fryers, are required to have an additional 'K' type fire extinguisher. All extinguishers must be checked for expiration. It is the responsibility of each vendor to train all employees on the proper operation of the extinguishers.

**Forklift** - Forklift service is available through the Concessions Office on a first-come, first-served basis. To request this service contact the Concessions Office. There will be a minimum charge of \$50.00 per hour rental fee. Forklifts may not be rented without a Fair operator. The Fair does not assume responsibility for any damage or accidents involving the use of Fair forklifts and personnel. Vendors assume responsibility for securing their load(s), as well as proper positioning and placement of the load for forklift operation. To expedite forklift service please have your concessions license name, space number, site description or building available when ordering for such service. Failure to call and cancel your reservation or failure to be present for your appointment may result in a charge to your account.

**Helium Balloons** - Are strictly prohibited on the grounds. There will be a charge for any balloons that need to be removed from inside the buildings.

**Insurance** – Credential packets will not be distributed without an **APPROVED 2026 INSURANCE CERTIFICATE** on file. While you may have uploaded a copy of your insurance to the vendor portal, this does not necessarily mean it has been approved by the Society's Agent. *It is your responsibility to contact our office* regarding the status of your insurance prior to the Fair. Lack of compliance may result in severe delays in set up of your booth and/or forfeiture in event participation. Insurance must be submitted by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, it is our preference that you email it to [concessions@ecfair.org](mailto:concessions@ecfair.org).

**License Agreement** - It is your responsibility to read this legal document in its entirety. The License Agreement must be properly signed and returned with deposit by date noted on Agreement. Failure to do so will result in voiding of Agreement at the discretion of the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager. Be sure to read all pages of your Agreement for rules and regulations. Again, the License Agreement is a legal document. It is your responsibility to keep a copy for your records. This License Agreement does not guarantee the exclusive sale of your product. The License Agreement must specify all the products or services you intend to sell at our Fair. If it is not listed, you will not be allowed to sell those items at the Fair.

**Subletting of leased space is strictly prohibited.**

**Microphone Use** - To present your product is a privilege extended by the Fair. Sound cannot emanate from the confines of your exhibit space; infractions will result in loss of your privilege to use voice enhancement equipment.

## Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices

The Erie County Fair (herein referred to as The Fair) recognizes that some individuals may need to use Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices (OPDMD) based on an individual's circumstances. The Fair respects the rights of individuals with disabilities and the devices utilized to be mobile. The Fair reserves the right to deny access to certain areas by OPDMD based on the safety of patrons and factors such as higher volume pedestrian traffic during certain time periods.

### OPDMD Polices:

1. Operators agree to provide personal assurance that the OPDMD is needed due to the Operator's disability;
2. Written verification that the Operator has completed a training program so as to provide assurance that (s)he can safely operate the OPDMD;
3. Operator must sign a General Release holding The Erie County Fair harmless from injuries to Operator or others resulting from Operator's use of OPDMD;
4. OPDMD cannot be operated faster than normal walking speed (2- 4 miles per hour);
5. OPDMD must strictly observe and adhere to applicable safety rules and regulations governing the operation and use of OPDMD as published by the manufacturer of the unit;
6. OPDMD operator will be allowed access to the golf cart routes. A map will be provided;
7. OPDMD will be stored in a location that does not obstruct egress.
8. OPDMD operator must remain with the unit at all times. If Operator stops for any reason, such as to use a restroom or a refreshment, Operator must secure the OPDMD in a location that does not impair the free movement of other patrons;
9. NO golf carts and other OPDMD similar in size (or larger) than a golf cart.

**Use of the OPDMD may be temporarily prohibited in any or all parts of The Fair during times of highest/peak congestion.**

**Payments** - All financial obligations are stated in your License Agreement and **must be paid in full** by June 1, 2026. Failure to do so will result in a late fee of the balance due. This policy will be **strictly enforced**.

**\*plus an additional 8% After June 1, 2026**

**\*plus an additional 12% After July 1, 2026**

**\*plus an additional 15% After August 1, 2026**

**Checks payable to the Erie County Agricultural Society.** There will be a charge of \$39.00 for all returned checks.

**Percentage Contracts** – See "Unified POS System" information below on page 9 & 10

**Personnel Requirements** - Persons working in any concession or exhibit are considered employees of

the licensee. *Licensees are responsible for the acts, appearance, conduct and behavior of their employees.* Licensees are also responsible for their employees' compensation and unemployment coverage, social security taxes and other federal and state employment requirements. Independent contractor relationships or subleases between license holders and their employees are prohibited. Licensees and their staff must be clean and neat in their personal appearance, hygiene, and dress at all times during the operation of any concession or exhibit. Uniform wearing apparel is encouraged and should be provided whenever possible. Impolite, foul, or abusive language or conduct will not be tolerated; **nor will the use of alcoholic beverages or drugs while on duty.**

*\*\*We will NOT tolerate any licensees' personnel disrespecting the Fairgrounds staff, guests, or other vendors.*

**Pricing** - Pricing of all food items and merchandise sold is to be visibly posted. New York State Sales Tax rate is 8.75%. YOU are responsible to make sure you are in compliance with NYS Law <https://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/publications/sales/pub718c.pdf>. If you are 'up charging' larger size clothing items, these must be clearly posted as well.

**Products & Services** – All products and services must be approved by the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager. **Any and ALL changes in products and services must also be approved.** A vendor may not change their product listing without approval. To request approval for a menu/product change the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager. The Society strictly prohibits the sale of any weapons or simulated weapons of any kind, including, but not limited to, water (squirt) guns that are designed to replicate handguns. The sale of knives on the grounds is prohibited. A licensee offering cutlery knives for sale may apply for an exception to the rule provided that the Licensee agrees to abide by certain policies.

**Propane Tanks** – are not allowed in any building. All propane tanks outside must be chained in place. All persons operating propane tanks must be 18 years or older. All propane tanks/propane are to be purchased through **Irish Propane**, the preferred propane provider on the grounds. Please submit tank size and quantity of propane on the portal by July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**Public Health Regulations** - The licensee agrees to implement all mandatory policies and procedures set forth by federal, New York State, Erie County, and public health agencies. It is understood that violations of such policies and procedures can result in the immediate closure of the exhibit or stand without any further obligation, financial or otherwise on the part of Society as well as forfeiture of the deposit by the vendor.

**Recycling/Trash** - All licensees must keep their facilities, equipment and area surrounding their exhibit or concessions in a clean, sanitary condition always and are responsible for disposal or recycling of their trash. Trash dumpsters and compactors are located around the fairgrounds for this purpose. If you see trash on the ground, pick it up and dispose of it properly. Fair personnel will clean buildings each night/morning while buildings are closed. Public trash receptacles or barrels and recycling containers may **not be moved** without Fair authorization and are not to be receptacles for personal use. Food concession operators providing a seating area must provide their own trash receptacles and it is the sole responsibility of the licensee to keep the seating area clean. Garbage containing waste must be stored in tightly sealed, non-absorbent containers. Please do not use public trash receptacles or barrels for food and/or food prep waste from your concession. Trash stations are located around the grounds for disposal of such waste. Concessionaires and exhibitors may not deposit any grey water/fluid, wastewater, or other liquids onto the ground or into street or storm gutter/sewer. Fluids (not grease/oil) must be discharged into approved sanitary sewer systems or centralized holding tanks placed around the fairgrounds for such purpose. A \$300 fee will be assessed to any vendor for each appliance left after Fair to include but not limited to refrigerators, freezers and AC Units.

**Refund Policy** - There will be NO refunds issued to any exhibitor, food concessionaire, commercial exhibitor, game operator or any other concessionaire/exhibitor participating in the Erie County Fair, unless authorized by the Erie County Agricultural Society.

**Reimbursement Policy** - In the interest of public relations, the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Office Manager reserves the right to, at its discretion, require any concessionaire/exhibitor/vendor to reimburse the full amount of any customer's purchase. Exhibitors must post their refund policy.

**Rental/Decorating Service** - Hale Expo Services is the decorating rental service on the grounds during the Fair. You can call them at (800) 333-4253 or download the exhibitor manual from [www.haleexpo.com](http://www.haleexpo.com). To obtain login information for their ordering portal, you must e-mail them at [csr@haleexpo.com](mailto:csr@haleexpo.com) with the show name, your company name and e-mail address that you want them to send your login info.

**Restocking** - The Event Center, Marketplace and Bazaar will open for restocking at 9:30am. All Event Center exhibitors **must enter** through the exhibitor entrance on the **south side** of the Event Center. There is NO other access to the building prior to 9:30am. Outdoor stand restocking times are 6:00am to 10:30am and at close of Fair until 2:00am.

**Seating Areas** - We ask all concessionaires that provide seating areas to keep this area available for all patrons.

**Signage** - Absolutely no handmade signs in your stands, tents, or trailers. **NO sandwich or a-frame type boards.** Any signage outside of your exhibitor space is **strictly prohibited.** Take pride in what you have to offer our guests. We are all professionals, and we ask that you have professionally made signage within your stand. On The Mark Signs is located at 5758 South Park Avenue in Hamburg, right outside The Fairgrounds or you can call (716) 648-7446.

**Smartphone App** - All Licensees will be included in the *Fairgrounds mobile app* and will be charged a **required fee of \$25 per leased space**. The fee is applied as a promotional tool offering descriptions and locations of exhibits and concessions as a service to guests wishing to locate specific products or services within the grounds. QR codes for downloading the app are on the front page of this manual.

**Smoking** - Smoking, including Electronic Cigarettes, is not permitted in any buildings on the Fairgrounds. For the health and well-being of all concessionaire workers, as well as our patrons, all food stands (including food preparation areas) shall be entirely smoke free and vape free. No exceptions

**Soft Drink Cups** - Vendors shall only use/sell cups provided by the soft drink purveyor and approved by Fair management.

**Sound Amplifying System** - Sound systems, loudspeakers, amplifiers, radios, broadcasting

devices, voice enhancement equipment or instruments may be operated at a reasonable volume. Music systems in seating areas will be accepted provided it is controlled as to volume levels and operation hours. Devices should not disturb normal business in adjoining attractions, exhibits and concessions or activities in adjacent public space. An infraction to this exception will require the loss of your privilege to use sound enhancement equipment. **Reminder: Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 2pm**, there will be no PA announcements, no lights on concessions stand, no music in the carnival. There will be no sound checks during this time and livestock show announcements will be turned down. PLEASE be sure to relay this information to your staff working on this day.

**Souvenir Mugs** - Vendors will refill past years Erie County Fair Mugs. Mugs will be purchased at the concession office; the vendors will receive a voucher to pick up mugs at purveyor lot. Pricing of the mugs is \$120/case of 78 cups. The Erie County Fair Souvenir Mug will be the **ONLY** 32oz. soda option available to guests on the Fairgrounds.

**Storage** - All storage units are required to have a **storage permit**. All storage permits are \$100 per unit outside inner fence and \$175 per unit inside inner fence. Permits are issued by the Concessions Office and must be paid for by Friday, August 14, 2026. Any storage vehicles found without a permit by Saturday, August 15, 2026 will be towed at the owner's expense. ***Storage space must be requested on the exhibitor portal where all amenities are ordered. Approval is not automatic for inside inner fence storage; it is based on location and availability.*** Storage inside the inner fence line of the Fair (excluding Strates' area) includes any motor vehicle, trailer (open or closed), regardless of whether it is used as a tow vehicle or for transportation. Storage outside the inner fence line in the trailer park lot includes any cube van, truck or trailer (open or closed), capable of storing product and/or merchandise, regardless of whether it is used as a tow vehicle or for transportation. ***All storage permits must be displayed on the unit in plain sight at all times while parked on the grounds.***

**Tent Information** - The Erie County Fair has a **NO TENT STAKE** policy. All tents or structures erected on pavement must plan on an alternate method of securing the tent/structure. Any exceptions must have the approval of the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager.

Every rented tent, that is erected on The Fairgrounds, must be from a tent supplier that has an approved certificate of insurance provided to the Concessions Office (see page 15). The Erie County Agricultural Society needs to be listed as the additional insured on the certificate. All tents must be flame resistant, anchored, and **acceptable to Fair standards** (no pop-up tents allowed, **FRAME tents ONLY**).

**Tip Jars** - *No tip jars are allowed.*

**Trailer Skirting** - All trailers, regardless of their venue, are required to have skirting (canvas preferred) and be in good condition.

**Transport Vehicles (Golf Cart & Bicycles)** -

**Bicycles**- There will be no fee for a permit. For move-in purposes only, bicycles with proper permits will be permitted on the Fairgrounds. Failure to operate a bicycle in a safe manner will result in the loss of this privilege.

**Golf Carts**-A \$75 permit and insurance are required to operate on the Fairgrounds. Golf Cart rules and maps will be distributed at check-in. Failure to comply with the golf cart rules and regulations will result in the loss of any golf cart privileges. Any golf cart used during nighttime must be equipped with headlights. If you are in need of a golf cart, you can order one through The Battery Post at (716) 896-0404. ***\*\*these permits must be requested on the exhibitor portal where all other amenities are ordered.***

**Hours of Operation of Golf Carts**

On Grounds Operation

- At close of Fair until 2:00am
- **NO** operation between 2am and 6am
- 6:00am Until 10:30am

Golf Cart Route **ONLY**

- 10:30am until close of Fair

**See language about Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices above\***

**Treasurers Exchange Window** - Will be located at the Security Building at the top of the Avenue of Flags (the window with the blue awning). Hours to be determined.

**Wireless Internet Service (Wi-Fi)**- This service is now available in the Event Center, Expo Hall, and Marketplace free of charge. Due to the anticipated number of users, service may vary. Service is password protected and should be requested at credential pick up.

# Unified P.O.S. System Policy

**Percentage Contracts** – All concessionaires operating under a percentage contract are required to pay the percentage stated in the License Agreement on their daily gross sales, after applicable sales tax. “Gross Sales” means the total amount of all revenue received from the sale of goods. All percentage vendors will use an approved POS (Point of Sale) System for all transactions. Percentage contract vendors agree that the Erie County Fair may, from time to time, and at any time, audit the operation of the vendor, including all cash and credit receipts and transactions, for purposes of confirming the accuracy of all submitted reports.

**Daily Sales Reports:** A Daily Sales Reports will be required from all percentage vendors using an approved POS System. Daily Sales Reports will provide a breakdown and accounting of all sales activity for each day, including credit card and cash transactions. Vendors operating with Square Register will need to send a “transaction report” daily. All vendors using Clover systems will give Brunk’s Concessions Auditing “admin access” for this event. Daily reports must show cash and card sales separately.

Sales reports for the previous day will be submitted to Brunk’s Audit office between 10am and 12pm. Only complete Daily Sales Reports will be accepted. Please allow enough time so that any questions concerning the submitted report can be addressed. Once your sales figures are approved, you will receive an invoice indicating the amount owed to the Erie County Fair. All Sales Reports submitted become the property of the Erie County Fair.

Failure to comply with the sales reporting procedures will be considered a violation of your Agreement. Upon being informed of a violation, Erie County Fair staff will review the issue and resolve the matter. Violations will be taken into consideration when issuing contracts for the following year or may result in immediate cessation of the right and privilege to operate a food stand at the Erie County Fair.

**Register Tagging:** The Auditing Team will check each stand/booth to record the model numbers and serial numbers for all approved POS Systems. Once it is approved for use, each POS will get its own register tag. POS Systems cannot be used for sales until they have been tagged and the information has been recorded. Let the Audit team know when your POS systems are ready to be tagged and checked in.

**Register Tapes:** Under this License Agreement, all POS System Daily Sales Reports, are to be submitted daily to the Audit Office. For maintaining an accurate audit trail, all POS tapes need to be identified by the Fair register tag number, Name of exhibit/stand, booth number, and date. All tapes need to be clear and legible. No faded register tape receipts will be allowed.

**Receipts:** All Concessionaires/Vendors on percentage sales who are required to utilize a POS System, MUST issue a sales receipt to the customer for each sales transaction. Automatic receipt printing must be turned on in the POS setup menu. The receipt must be handed to the customer after every transaction. This procedure is NOT optional, and the Concessionaire/Vendor should NOT ask the customer if they want the option of receiving a receipt. Failure to issue receipts may result in the concessionaire/vendor being in violation of this agreement and may result in immediate cessation of the right and privilege to do business with the Erie County Fair.

**Vendor Pre-Payments:** Vendors may make *cash only* payments on their estimated percentage fee daily from 10am to 2pm at the treasurers exchange window. Vendors are also encouraged to turn in any meal vouchers to the treasurers exchange window from 10am to 2pm, they will **ONLY** be applied as a pre-payment on percentage owed to The Fair, no cash will be given.

**Cash out:** At the close of business Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> vendors will visit the Concessions window to turn in any final meal vouchers. The Concessions Office will provide the vendor with a form documenting the amount due to the vendor for accepted meal vouchers. The meal vouchers credit form will then be submitted to the auditors office by the vendor, along with the vendor’s Daily Sales Report for the final day of the Fair. At such time, the auditor’s office will provide the vendor with a final invoice which the vendor will return to the Concessions Office along with full payment of the amount owed by the vendor.

**POS Operation:** Concessionaires/Vendors must program all their menu items with price and description into their POS system. No “Custom Amount” tenders allowed unless it is used in “Negative Tender” for fair coupons. Every transaction must be entered into the POS. Cash must go into the connected cash drawer. The connected cash drawer must open and close with every transaction. A receipt must be given out with every transaction. Concessionaires/Vendors must have a forward-facing customer display with every POS being used.

### Point of Sale (P.O.S.) Systems

- Currently approved POS Systems are Clover with a forward-facing display or display pole and the Square Register with built in detachable forward-facing display.
- POS Systems must have a receipt printer that prints a receipt with every transaction automatically. Each customer **MUST** be given a receipt.
- Cash Drawer **MUST** be linked to the Clover or Square Register and automatically open and close with each transaction. All cash must go into the connected cash drawer **ONLY**.
- Concessionaires will not work from an open cash drawer.
- POS **MUST** have dual display. Using Clover will require an additional Clover Mini as the forward-facing display, or a connected display pole is acceptable. Square Register has a built-in detachable forward-facing display and is acceptable. Square Register is different from the “Square Stand”. Square Register is the only approved Square POS system.
- POS System **MUST** be positioned so customer can always view total and see their receipt printing and the connected cash drawer opening and closing with their transaction.
- A POS system is required for each ordering window/line you serve.
- POS must have a Daily summary report – Clover and Square both have this capability.
- The daily sales summary must be separated by cash sales and credit card sales.
- The Erie County Fair reserves the right to ask the concessionaire for back-end access to observe the transactions/journal.
- **NO KEYS ARE TO BE LEFT IN THE CONNECTED CASH DRAWER.** You may not use a cash drawer key during any part of the transaction.
- All cash is to be placed into cash drawer that recorded the transaction.
- The use of **handheld devices** will **NOT BE PERMITTED**.

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents (*in addition to a signed License Agreement and Participants Manual Acknowledgement*) are required to operate a concession stand/booth at The Erie County Fair. These must be submitted to the Concessions Office before we will issue you any credentials.

Approved Certificate of Insurance

Erie County Health Permit

New York State Sales Tax Permit

New York State Workers Comp

**All government agencies must supply a letter verifying proof of coverage.**

### Proof of Insurance

Insurance Certificate requirements are located on the vendor portal. If you need to purchase insurance, fill out the application and send it to Walsh Duffield Agency for approval by June 1, 2026.

### New York State Sales Tax Permit

The original of your New York State Sales Tax permit, issued by New York State, must always be displayed in full view. Information regarding this is located on the vendor portal.

### Erie County Health Permit

The application for a Temporary Food Service Permit is on the vendor portal. There is a discount for early filing. Return the application to the Erie County Health Department, **not the Concessions Office**. The telephone number for the Health Department is (716) 858-7677. Department representatives will also be on site during the Fair. The original of your Erie County Health Permit must always be displayed in full view.

### New York State Workers' Compensation

See the vendor portal for more information about the requirements. Call Elizabeth Chojnacki at 518-320-6476 if you have additional questions.

Fair essentials and toiletries available right on the Fairgrounds.  
 Open daily 11:00am – 10:00pm  
 Located at the top of the Avenue of Flags



## SETUP PROCEDURES

How, where and when to check in when you arrive...

### COMMERCIAL BUILDING VENDORS:

#### Event Center

August 7; 9am - 6pm  
 August 9; 9am - 1pm  
 August 10 & 11; 9am - 9pm  
 August 12; 9am - 10am\*  
 \* Booth must be set up by 10am

#### Marketplace & Bazaar

August 9; 9am - 1pm  
 August 10 & 11; 9am - 9pm  
 August 12; 9am - 10am\*  
 \* Booth must be set up by 10am

\*ALL Commercial building vendors are to check in with the building attendant prior to setting up your booth\*

**\*\*There will be NO loading in/out of the lobby doors on the Event Center\*\***

### LOCAL ARTISAN MARKET VENDORS

#### Set-up Dates & Hours

##### Rotation 1 (August 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>)

Setup  
 August 11<sup>th</sup>; 9am – 9pm  
 August 12<sup>th</sup>; 9am – 10am  
Tear Down  
 August 14<sup>th</sup>; 10pm  
 \*\*must be out by 8am

##### Rotation 2 (August 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>)

Setup  
 August 15<sup>th</sup>; 9am - 11am  
Tear Down  
 August; 17<sup>th</sup> 10pm  
 \*\*must be out by 8am

##### Rotation 3 (August 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>)

Setup  
 August 18<sup>th</sup>; 9am - 11am  
Tear Down  
 August; 20<sup>th</sup> 10pm  
 \*\*must be out by 8am

##### Rotation 4 (August 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>)

Setup  
 August 21<sup>st</sup>; 9am - 11am  
Tear Down  
 August; 23<sup>rd</sup> 10pm  
 \*\*must be out by 8am

**PLEASE** be sure to attend the **MANDATORY VENDOR MEETING** on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Family Entertainment Complex.

### OUTDOOR VENDORS:

All vendors are to check in at the Concessions Office prior to set-up  
 Accounts MUST be paid in full with proper paperwork on file before set-up

#### Set-up Dates & Hours

Please email or call the Concessions Office to get approval for set up day and time.

#### All Vendors

All outside concessionaires are required to use the upper McKinley Parkway Delivery Gate B. Upon arrival at Delivery Gate B, please identify yourself, making available your location and vendor number. At that time, you will either be escorted into the fairgrounds, allowed to proceed on your own or be asked to wait until we are ready to spot you. We ask for your patience at this

time. Once you have been “spotted” at your location, you will then be connected to power and water based on availability. There will be an attendant to assist you if needed.

**Set-up is to be completed by 10:00am on Opening Day, Wednesday, August 12, 2026**

**In an effort to protect the wellbeing of everyone associated with the Fair set-up and tear down, please abide by all safety regulations. Be careful while using ladders, use eye protection when necessary and drive your vehicle slowly while on the grounds.**

## **TEAR DOWN PROCEDURES**

### **COMMERCIAL BUILDING VENDORS:**

Tear-down times listed below will be strictly enforced to ensure the safety of our patrons.

#### ***Event Center***

August 23; 10pm – 2am

August 24; 9am – 1pm

*(vehicles can be staged in the Event Center parking lot beginning at 10:30 pm).*

#### ***Marketplace & Bazaar***

August 23; 10pm – 2am

August 24; 9am – 1pm

No vehicles will be allowed on the fairgrounds until official closing on Sunday, August 23, 2026. There will be no exceptions. All concessions/exhibits must be removed from buildings by 1pm on Monday, August 24, 2026. The Society assumes no responsibility for items and/or materials left after this time.

We ask for your cooperation in adhering to these rules. Failure to follow these rules may result in non-renewal of your contract for the 2027 Erie County Fair.

*In an effort to protect the wellbeing of everyone associated with the fair set-up and tear down, please abide by all safety regulations. Be careful while using ladders, use eye protection when necessary and drive your vehicle slowly while on the grounds.*

### **OUTDOOR VENDORS:**

No vehicles will be allowed on the Fairgrounds until closing on Sunday, August 23, 2026. There will be no exceptions. All concessions/exhibits are to be removed by 4:00pm on Monday, August 24, 2026. The Society assumes no responsibility for items and/or materials left after this time.

#### **IMPORTANT**

All concessionaires are responsible for the clean-up of their area after tear down. At the end of the term of use, the concessionaire must clean the premises so that the buildings and grounds are in the same condition as they were when you arrived. If the concessionaire fails to comply, they will be liable to the Erie County Agricultural Society for all expenses incurred in cleaning the premises and otherwise restoring the premises to such condition. Billing for these cleaning services will be sent at the conclusion of the Fair.

We ask for your cooperation in adhering to these rules. Failure to follow these rules may result in non-renewal of your contract for the 2027 Erie County Fair.

# MEAL VOUCHERS

Official Erie County Fair 2026 Meal Vouchers (Value \$10.00) must be accepted by ALL food concessionaires. **Accept these as cash** (change is to be given if the item is purchased is less than \$10.00)

## IMPORTANT

- Meal vouchers can be turned in daily at the Treasurers Exchange Window and will only be applied as a credit toward any percentage payment. No cash will be given in exchange for mail vouchers.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that all meal vouchers you accept are dated 2026 and approved for acceptance by the Concessions Office.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that all meal vouchers are turned in at the time of final cash out. Vouchers will not be accepted after the cash out process is completed.
- NO vendor shall create or design their own branded meal voucher valid at the Erie County Fair.
- All meal vouchers must be accepted by all vendors through close of business Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026.

# HOURS OF OPERATION

## COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS:

(Event Center, Marketplace, Bazaar, Expo Hall)

All commercial buildings will be open to the public from 11am – 10pm August 12-23, 2026.

These buildings will open **daily at 9:30am** for re-stocking purposes.

## OUTDOOR VENDORS:

All outside vendors (including food) must be open August 12-23, 2026 **beginning at 11:00am and operate until 10:00pm**. If circumstances warrant, food stands may stay open past 10:00pm until the midway closes. Deviation from these hours of operation will not be permitted and is strictly enforced.

**We close and secure the buildings every night, while the buildings close to the public at 10pm we ask that the vendors be respectful of our time and wrap up their affairs and exit by 10:30pm.**

**\*\*Once a vendor exits the building, they will not be able to return for the evening.**

**All booths are to be staffed at all times - vendors that fail to comply will be assessed:**

**\*1st offense given a written warning**

**\*2nd offense \$50.00 fine**

**\*3rd offense \$100.00 fine**

**\*4th and subsequent offense \$250.00 fine**

**And finally non-renewal**

**THIS PENALTY WILL BE ASSESSED FOR CLOSING EARLY!!**

# PROMOTIONS & FAIR GIVEAWAYS

All promotions and special appearances by local talent, celebrities, musical performers and/or giveaways that will be held during the Fair should be approved by the Concessions & Commercial Exhibits Manager prior to June 2026.

**Raffles are strictly prohibited. Under no circumstances will any raffles be allowed on the Fairgrounds.**

## Contests and Sweepstakes

1. A "contest" (also referred to as a "raffle") is any game or promotion which offers prospective participants the opportunity to receive or compete for gifts or prizes based on chance in which participation is conditioned, wholly or partly, on the payment of some value by the participant.

2. A “sweepstakes” is any promotion which offers prospective participants the opportunity to receive or compete for gifts, prizes, or discounts on the basis of chance in which participation is not conditioned on the payment of some value.

Unless approved in writing by the Society, neither vendors nor exhibitors are allowed to conduct contests, raffles, or sweepstakes at the Erie County Fair.

Society will attempt to accommodate ‘for-profit’ vendors conducting sweepstakes as a means of generating contact lists for their businesses provided the promotion is conducted professionally and otherwise does not violate state or local law.

## DELIVERIES & US MAIL

### ADDRESS ALL PACKAGES & DELIVERIES THIS WAY!

Erie County Fair Concession name DBA/ Location Name/Cell # 5600 McKinley Pkwy Hamburg, NY 14075
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The Erie County Agricultural Society, host of The Erie County Fair, assumes no responsibility for damaged, missing or lost mail and will NOT ACCEPT packages or deliveries prior to move in.

#### PRE-FAIR Deliveries (prior to August 12, 2026)

The Erie County Fair will not accept any packages prior to Wednesday, August 12, 2026. Hale Expo Services will handle ALL pre-Fair Deliveries. Phone # [\(716\) 896-6170](tel:7168966170)  
Labels can be printed from [www.haleexpo.com](http://www.haleexpo.com)

<small>RECEIVING ADDRESS – ALL SHIPMENTS SHIPMENTS MAY ARRIVE BETWEEN Monday, July 23, 2026, THRU Monday, August 10, 2026.</small>		
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#### FAIR-WEEK Deliveries (August 12-23, 2026) UPS, Fed Ex, Airborne, etc...

All deliveries can be picked up between 9am-5pm at the Maintenance Shop Reception Desk located near Gate 6.

#### United States Postal Service

If you are expecting mail, please check with the Concessions Office or the Main office Reception Desk during business hours.

#### Other Daily Deliveries (Concession/Exhibit) August 12-23, 2026

Only vehicles with a *Delivery Tag* issued by the Concessions Office will be permitted on the Fairgrounds for deliveries between 6am – 10:30am.

This rule will be strictly enforced. Any vehicle found on the grounds after 10:30am will be subject to tow at the owner’s expense.

All deliveries must be hand carted in after 10:30am.

# APPROVED PURVEYOR LIST

Concessionaires are encouraged to use these approved purveyors only.

## Midstate Bakery

402 Babcock St  
Buffalo, NY 14206  
(716)853-1119  
Mark Collins (716) 818-2921  
Bread, Pastries, Rolls

## Bipperts Farms

5240 Clinton St  
Elma, NY 14059  
(716)668-4328  
Fresh Fruits, Vegetables

To be  
determined

## Upstate Niagara Coop

368 Pleasant View Dr.  
Lancaster, NY 14086  
(716)892-3156  
Dairy & Milk Products

## Minich Distributing

3408 Bethford Dr  
Blasdell, NY 14219  
(716)825-5274  
Bread, Rolls, Sweet Foods

## Irish Propane

Anita Foss  
70 Katherine St  
Buffalo, NY 14210  
(716)827-2727 ext. 422

## Burger Fire Extinguisher Serv. Inc.

5937 Shoreham Drive  
Lakeview, NY 14085  
(716)627-9336

To be  
determined

# EXCLUSIVE BEVERAGE SUPPLIERS

Concessionaires are required to use these approved beverage suppliers

## Pepsi-Cola

2770 Walden Ave  
Buffalo, NY 14225  
(716)684-4900  
Pepsi Products (pre/post mix)  
Loganberry, Juices, Water,  
Sports Drinks, Lemonade Cups

## Try-It Distribution

4155 Walden Ave  
Lancaster, NY 14086  
(716)651-3551  
Bud, Labatt, Craft/Import,  
Malternatives/Coolers,  
Non-Alcoholic

# TENT RENTAL COMPANY LIST

When calling, tell them the tent is for Erie County Fair

## All Season Party & Tent Rental

Contact: *Tim Berardi*  
Large Tents over 80 ft.  
5885 Transit Rd  
East Amherst, NY 14051  
(716)688-9531  
www.rentrightnow.com

## Main Event Tents

Contact: *Jason*  
4766 John Michael Way  
Hamburg, NY 14075  
(716)649-9604

## Just 'In' Case Party Rental

1560 Harlem Road  
Buffalo, NY 14206  
(716) 812-0818









# Credit Card Surcharge Guidance

Starting February 11, 2024, there is new guidance for New York State businesses when charging an additional fee to customers paying with a credit card. (NYS GBS § 518)

## What does this mean for New Yorkers?

A business has the option of passing along the actual cost of credit card processing fees as a surcharge to customers, but they must be transparent by displaying the **highest total price** (excluding sales tax).

LEGAL A business can:	ILLEGAL A business cannot:
 <p>Clearly display <b>BOTH</b> the Credit Card and the Cash Price.</p>	 <p>Put a <b>SIGN ON THE WALL OR AT THE REGISTER</b> that notifies a fee is applied to all credit card sales.</p>
 <p>List the <b>HIGHER</b> Credit Card price and advertise a <b>DISCOUNT</b> for Cash purchases.</p>	<p>Charge <b>SEPARATE LINE ITEMS</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• convenience fee,</li> <li>• service fee,</li> <li>• administration fee,</li> <li>• non-cash adjustment,</li> <li>• technology fee,</li> <li>• processing fee,</li> </ul> <p>etc., to credit card users on a customer receipt only, without clearly posting the total price prior to purchase.</p>
 <p>Use the <b>SAME PRICE</b> for both Cash and Credit Card purchases.</p>	 <p>Advertise that all <b>PRICES INCLUDE A CASH DISCOUNT</b> that <b>does not</b> apply to credit card purchases.</p>
	 <p>Include a <b>CREDIT CARD SURCHARGE WARNING</b> on the item price tag.</p>

If you have questions about the law, want to see more examples, or are not sure you are following the law correctly, please visit our website at [dos.ny.gov/CreditCardSurcharge](https://dos.ny.gov/CreditCardSurcharge) or contact us at: **(800) 697-1220**

# 2026 Erie County Fair

## RV Parking Rules & Regulations

1. All spaces MUST be pre-paid prior to arrival.
2. A 15-day permit includes the Monday prior to opening day of the Fair through, and including, closing day of the Fair (this permit is only good for 08/10/2026-08/24/2026)
3. A ten (10) foot separation between each unit/extremity MUST be maintained on all sides. This measurement is from the furthest extremity, slide out or other apparatus.
4. No awnings are allowed in the down position.
5. No gray water dumping is permitted in any lot. (Scavenger services are available by contacting the RV Lot Manager, Don Kaminski at 716-535-9418)
6. No open flames of any type, including propane grills, charcoal, cook stoves, bonfires/campfires, etc.
7. Outside cooking is permitted in designated areas only and must be a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from any structure or unit.
8. ALL units MUST have a fire extinguisher or method of fire protection available.
9. Vehicles must have appropriate pass to be permitted in the RV Lot.
10. Do NOT block the roadways with any personal vehicles.
11. All fire lanes must be maintained at all times.
12. Speed limit is 5mph.
13. No alcoholic containers are allowed outside of the RV's.
14. Any child under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult at all times while in the RV Lot.
15. Quiet hours are 11pm-7am

Failure to comply with these regulations will result in the loss of privileges and immediate removal.

Any questions should be directed to the RV Parking Manager /Erie County Fair Main Office.

# GOLF CART RULES

Rules are in effect for ALL cart operators.

Golf Cart permits must be requested on the exhibitor portal with all other amenities.

Permits will **ONLY** be issued once approved Insurance Coverage is on file with the Concessions Office.

- **Hours of Operation**

- On Grounds Operation

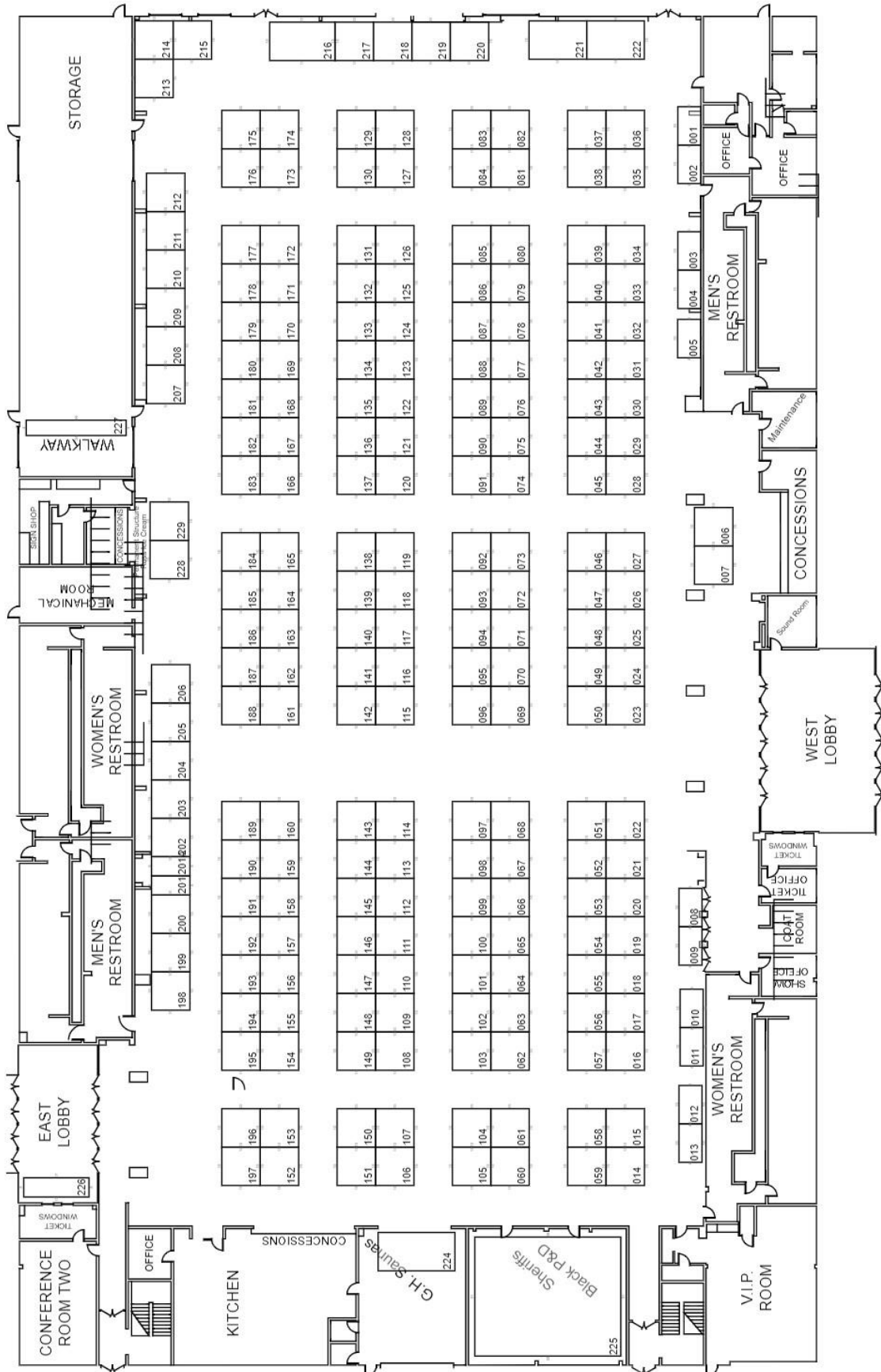
- At close of Fair until 2:00am
    - NO operation between 2am and 6am
    - 6:00am Until 10:30am

- Golf Cart Route **ONLY**

- 10:30am until close of Fair

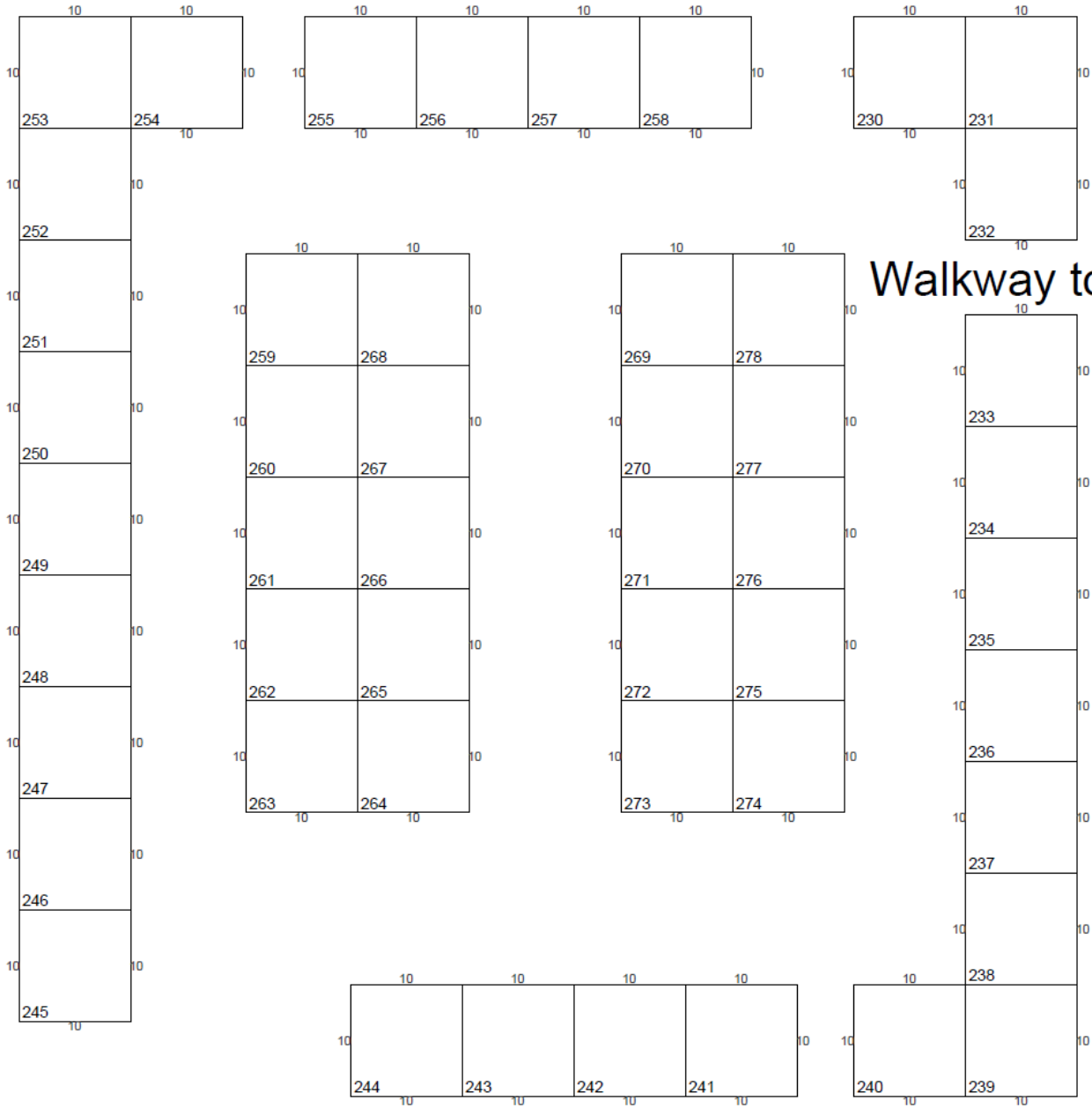
- Cart use on the grounds is a privilege and permission for use is not automatically granted. Failure to comply with any of the rules and regulations stated herein will result in the loss of the permit and the use of the cart/vehicle for the duration of the fair.
- All vendors/concessionaires and purveyors may use the carts for essential purposes and deliveries only. Casual or recreational use of carts is prohibited.
- All cart operators must have a valid driver's license.
- Any person operating a cart must sign that they have read all rules and regulations and is informed of the misuse consequences.
- Proof of Insurance must be provided to the Concessions Office by the cart lessee or by cart owner.
- Carts must have the permit affixed to the cart identifying the owner/lessee and function of the cart.
- All carts (including security carts) must be operated only on the designated golf cart routes.
- Carts are to be parked only in designated areas.
  - If parked at the leased space, the cart must be out of public view.
  - Carts are not to be parked behind Grandstand Area or near the Fair Office.
- All 2, 3, or 4 wheeled vehicles, ATV type motorized vehicle that are authorized by the fair must use the cart route during operations from 10:30am until close of Fair.
- A map of the Fairgrounds and a copy of the rules must be in each cart while in operation.
- All carts must have an operating headlight for use during evening hours.
- The maximum number of persons on a cart must not exceed the seating capacity.
- All vehicles may not display any advertising signage of any type without prior authorization by the Fair.

# EVENT CENTER



# MARKETPLACE BUILDING

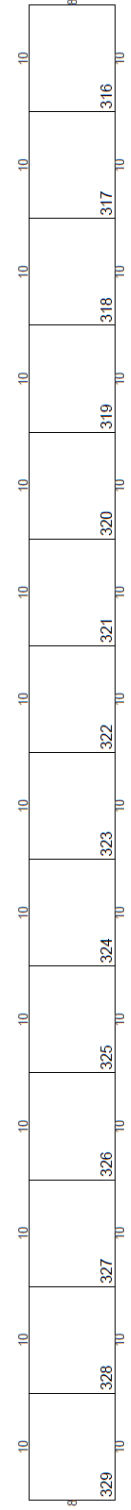
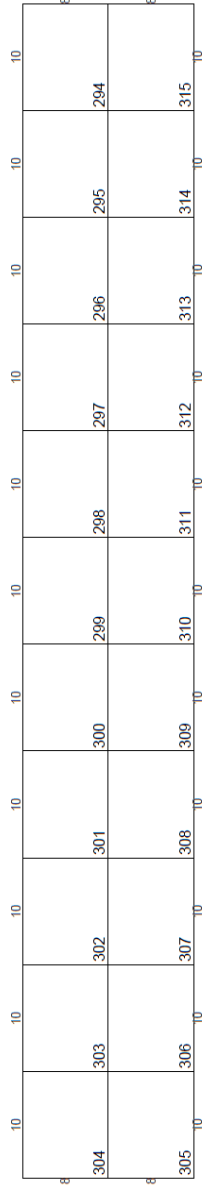
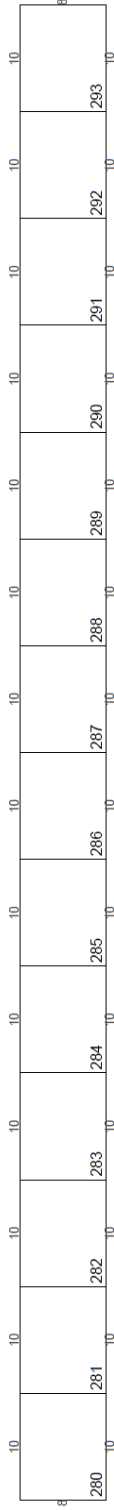
## Slade Park



## 42nd Street

# BAZAAR BUILDING

## Trackside



## Carousel Room Side

# LOCAL AMENITIES

## Southtowns Regional Chamber of Commerce

southtownsregionalchamber.org - 6122 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, NY 14075 (716) 649-7917

### Grocery Stores

Tops Markets	6150 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, NY 14075	(716) 515-3300 (1.4 miles)
Save A Lot	6000 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, NY 14075	(716) 649-8360 (1.2 miles)
Wegmans	3740 McKinley Parkway, Blasdell, NY 14219	(716) 362-8400 (3.3 miles)
Walmart Supercenter	5360 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg, NY 14075	(716) 646-0682 (4.3 miles)
Aldi's	5999 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, NY 14075	(855) 955-2534 (1.2 miles)

### Animal Needs

Tractor Supply Company	4484 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg, NY 14075	(716) 648-5140 (3.3 miles)
Clyde's Feed & Animal Center	351 Union St., Hamburg, NY 14075	(716) 648-2171 (2.7 miles)
Southtowns Feeds and Needs	7380 Boston State Rd., Hamburg, NY 14075	(716) 648-4600 (4.8 miles)

### Hospitals & Urgent Care Centers

WellNow Urgent Care	– 4909 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg	(716) 926-6358
Mercy Ambulatory Care Center- OPEN 24 Hours	3669 Southwestern Blvd, Orchard Park	(716) 662-0500
WellNow Urgent Care	3245 Southwestern Blvd, Orchard Park	(716) 608-2226

### Banks

Evans National Bank-	5999 South Park Ave., Hamburg	(716) 649-4900
Key Bank-	5510 Camp Road, Hamburg	(716) 648-7932
Lakeshore Savings Bank-	59 Main St., Hamburg	(716) 646-9480
M&T Bank-	6000 South Park Ave, Hamburg	(716) 649-8401

### Delivery Service

Foxy Delivery Service - Rush Delivery Service	2830 Elmwood Avenue, Kenmore NY	(716) 876-3828
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### Hotels

Holiday Inn Express	3565 Commerce Place , Hamburg	(716) 648-9200 (2.8 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Hampton Inn	5440 Camp Road, Hamburg	(716) 649-3769 (2.5 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Hampton Inn Airport	133 Buell Avenue, Cheektowaga	(716) 631-0200 (17.6 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Country Inn & Suites	164b Slade Avenue, West Seneca	(716) 259-8520 (8.6 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Comfort Inn	3615 Commerce Place , Hamburg	(716) 648-2922 (2.7 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Motel 6	5245 Camp Road, Hamburg	(716) 648-2000 (2.8 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Red Roof	5370 Camp Road, Hamburg	(716) 648-7222 (2.6 miles from The Fairgrounds)

### RV Sales & Service

Meyers RV	1000 Sanford Rd. North, Churchville, NY 14428	(855) 564-4196
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### Destinations

Niagara Falls	(33 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Highmark Stadium, Home of the Buffalo Bills	(4 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Key Bank Center, Home of the Buffalo Sabres	(12.7 miles from The Fairgrounds)
Sahlen Field, Home of the Buffalo Bisons	(12.5 miles from The Fairgrounds)

## 18 Mile Creek Golf Course

Located at 6374 Boston State Rd, Hamburg, NY (1.4miles) – Enjoy this eighteen-hole course from mid-April (weather permitting) to October 31. Call for Automated Tee Time 716-648-0126, [www.townofhamburgny.com/golf](http://www.townofhamburgny.com/golf) or for more information 716-648-4410.

## Shopping

McKinley Mall is located at the intersection of Milestrip Road and McKinley Parkway (4 miles) in Blasdell  
**Shop McKinleyMall.com.**

Walden Galleria Mall is the largest shopping center in the Buffalo Niagara region. Exit 52 off I-90 (New York State Thruway) 17 miles. **WaldenGalleria.com**

## Restaurants (All located within 5 miles of The Fairgrounds):

J.P. Fitzgeralds	4236 Clark St.	(716) 649-4025
Pegasus	5748 South Park Ave.	(716) 649-9639
Butera's	32 Main St.	(716) 648-5017
Applebee's	4405 Milestrip Rd.	(716) 824-5550
Red Lobster	3701 McKinley Pkwy	(716) 823-2901
McDonalds	6035 South Park Ave.	(716) 648-4949
Burger King	4175 McKinley Pkwy	(716) 648-1130
Wendy's	3513 McKinley Pkwy	(716) 826-2820
John & Mary's	40 Buffalo St.	(716) 648-4750
Panera Bread	3701 McKinley Pkwy	(716) 824-0585
Olive Garden	3701 McKinley Pkwy	(716) 822-1275
The Poppysseed	3670 McKinley Pkwy	(716) 824-0075
Fiesta Bamba	6000 South Park Ave.	(716) 202-4078

# DIRECTIONS TO THE FAIRGROUNDS

## From Downtown Buffalo

Travel south over the skyway on Route 5 to Milestrip Rd. (Route 179) east. At the fourth light make a right turn on McKinley Pkwy.

## From the Thruway East or West (I90)

Coming from Amherst, Rochester, Syracuse, or Pennsylvania. Take exit 56 and turn left on Milestrip Rd. (Rte. 179). At the second light, turn right onto McKinley Pkwy.

## From the Airport

Take Genesee St. to the 33 Expressway (follow the signs for the NYS Thruway I-90 West to exit 56 (Blasdell/Milestrip). Make a left on Milestrip Rd. (Rte. 179). At the second light make a right onto McKinley Pkwy.

## A Shortcut for you Southtowners

It may help you to avoid traffic by taking Route 219 to Boston/Hamburg Exit (Rte 391), turn left on Clark Street just before The Fairgrounds. This will lead you towards Parking Lot #5 in the middle of Clark Street between McKinley Pkwy and South Park Ave. The parking lot has plenty of parking available.

