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2026 ENTRY BOOK

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Note: Copy of the State Fair Grievance/Appeal Form can be found at the back of this book.

Entry Opens: May 18, 2026
Entry Deadline: July 1, 2026

(Late Entries accepted in most departments. See individual department for more information.)

State Fair Online Entries: <https://entry.indianastatefair.com/>

Exhibitor Admission & Parking Passes

Complementary Exhibitor Credentials

All Exhibitors will receive 2 complimentary Exhibitor Credentials good for admission for each week an entry is made, not by species:

Market	Friday, August 7 - Sunday, August 9
Breeding	Tuesday, August 11 - Sunday, August 16
Open	Tuesday, August 18 - Sunday, August 23

Individual Week Credentials for Purchase

Provides admission to the Indiana State Fair. A **\$18.00** admission will be charged for each person, each time, each day without a badge. Badges may be purchased and used by parents. Credentials are valid for admission for each week an entry is made:

Market (\$45)	Friday, August 7 - Sunday, August 9
Breeding (\$55)	Tuesday, August 11 - Sunday, August 16
Open (\$55)	Tuesday, August 18 - Sunday, August 23

Full Fair Exhibitor Credential:

Everyday (\$100) Friday August 7 - Sunday August 23

Exhibitor Single Day Ticket - **\$13.00**

Provides admission to the Indiana State Fair.

Vehicle Parking Pass - **\$30.00**

Valid for the Exhibitor Parking Lot (South of 38th St.) or overflow lot(s) as directed by State Fair Management. Enter and exit parking, without being charged for each entry.

Trailer Parking

Complimentary trailer parking is available at the 46th St. Parking Lot –
1209 E 46th St
Indianapolis, IN 46205.

The trailer parking lot is monitored by off-duty law enforcement 24/7. Shuttles run from the trailer parking lot to the Livestock barns 24/7.
The official release will be required to remove the trailer from the lot (see specific department for release times).

Campgrounds

The Indiana State Fairgrounds operates a campground with spots available on a first-come, first served basis at:

1209 E. 45th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205

Reservations for 2026 will open on May 18, 2026 at 9am. Spots fill very quickly!

Please visit: <https://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/camping-information/> for additional information and to reserve your spot.

All exhibitors should be familiar with and must abide by the terms and conditions of the Indiana State Fair. Failure to do so may result in loss of the privilege to exhibit at the State Fair and/or ejection from the Fairgrounds.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

1. By submitting an Indiana State Fair Entry Form or online entry, Open Exhibitors agree to all Terms & Conditions.
 - a. Exhibitors entered under one account are also responsible and held accountable to all Terms and Conditions.
2. In the interest of all exhibitors, the Indiana State Fair Board, the agriculture industry, and all breeders of livestock, the following general terms, conditions and listing of prohibited activities are presented to maintain, insure and present a wholesome, high quality educational program. As the showcase of Indiana, it is imperative to promote and allow only ethical behavior by exhibitors at the Indiana State Fair.
3. The Indiana State Fair Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret any and all terms and conditions, contained in any and all parts of the "Entry Book" List and to unilaterally settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incidental to the Indiana State Fair. They further reserve the right to resolve unforeseen matters not covered by general or Department terms and conditions published in the Handbook/Premium List, to amend or add to these terms and conditions as in its judgment it may determine, and to withdraw all premium offerings in all Departments should any emergency exist and circumstances demand.
4. Fraud, deception, any prohibited activities, or violations of general or Departmental terms and conditions, or any activity determined to be improper or unethical by the Board or Department Superintendent shall not be allowed. Any exhibitor found in violation is subject to sanction and/or disqualification.
5. **TAMPERING, ALTERING, AND/OR MISREPRESENTATION** relative to any exhibit is prohibited. This prohibited activity includes but is not limited to breeding, age, ownership, and/or method of preparation or completion.
 - a. (For example, with animal exhibits this includes, but is not limited to, coloring that alters or misrepresents breed characteristics, pumping, and filling).
6. **UNETHICAL FITTING OF ANIMAL EXHIBITS** is defined as the administration of any substance (to include, but not limited to, drugs, blood, oils, steroids, air, chemical substances) or performance of any surgical or nonsurgical procedure altering the animal's configuration or natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or rendering its tissues unfit for human consumption and is prohibited. Exceptions that are allowed to rules 5 and/or 6 above include hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching, docking of tails on sheep and swine and coloring or manipulation of normally attached hair that does not alter or misrepresent breed characteristics or the animals configuration or natural conformation.
7. No Exhibitor may take exception to the decisions of an official and/or judge in an unprofessional and/or public manner nor shall any exhibitor or person representing the exhibitor interfere with or show disrespect to any judge, show or Fair official.
8. Advertising - Commercial advertisement names or insignia, farm names and family names on 4-H exhibitors or exhibits while showing is prohibited. Distribution or posting of flyers, advertisements or posters are prohibited from being hung in the Coliseum, Youth Arena or any other building, except for those in preapproved areas.

Recognized Breed Participation Policy

9. **Recognized Breed Participation/ All Other Breeds:** Indiana State Fair recognized breeds (those listed in the current entry book) are required to have a minimum of 15 head total(market and/or breeding) in order to offer breed/gender classes. Regardless of the number of animals in the AOB class, premiums will be offered for AOB division. Champion of the AOB division would be eligible for overall champion.
10. **AOB Division:** The AOB Division will be offered in the Swine, Beef Cattle, and Sheep departments and shall be considered a recognized breed. The division will include all other registered breeds papered with a recognized breed association, not listed in the current department entry book.
 - a. Registration papers will be required in accordance to breeding animal registration requirements, where applicable.
 - b. **Minimum Number of head:**
 - Cattle: 5 head
 - Swine: 15 head
 - Sheep: 15 head

Establishing New Breeds In Competition

11. The Indiana State Fair must approve a state-affiliate breed association application for a breed show. The breed must also have a minimum number of head exhibited in either proposed breed/gender classification (ie. rams, ewes, market lambs) over a two-year period prior to the recognition of the new breed. This rule does not apply to any Poultry or Rabbit Exhibits
 - a. Breed association letters are to be sent to the Exhibitor Livestock Manager at livestock@indianastatefair.com.
12. To place an established breed of livestock on probation the following shall apply:
 - a. The first year that a breed does not meet a minimum number of head, it shall be considered on its first probation.
 - b. At the **end** of the second consecutive year of probation, if the breed does not meet the minimum head, that breed will then exhibit as Exhibition Only the following year, if the minimum head is not reached, the breed will be removed and eligible for exhibition in AOB
 - c. The same entry fees shall be paid by all livestock exhibitors regardless of show classification
 - d. **Minimum Number of head:**
 - Cattle: 5 head
 - Swine: 15 head
 - Sheep: 15 head

PREMISES ID

13. The Indiana State Fair requires all Indiana Exhibitors to provide the Indiana State Board of Animal Health required Premises ID number on all entry forms for beef and dairy cattle, goats, swine and sheep. Indiana exhibitors of horses, poultry, llamas and alpacas as well as out of state exhibitors will be requested to voluntarily provide Premises ID numbers. To obtain a Premises ID#, please contact the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at 877-747-3038. Information can be found on the Indiana State Board of Animal Health website at www.in.gov/boah.

DETERMINATION OF VIOLATIONS OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

14. The Executive Director or his/her designee to the Department where a violation of any term or condition established for the Indiana State Fair is reported to have occurred prior to, during or after judging shall make an initial determination as to whether a violation has occurred upon determining a violation has occurred, the Executive Director or their designee shall make a determination as to the appropriate penalty to impose upon the violating person(s). The Executive Director or their designee may choose to impose one, all, or a combination of the following penalties.

PENALTIES

15. The exhibitor in question is disqualified and forfeits all entry and other fees and all premiums, trophies, and awards from the Department.
16. Any or all State Fair premiums, trophies and awards won by an exhibitor in any and all State Fair Departments shall be withdrawn and required to be returned to the State Fair. All entry and other fees are forfeited.
17. The exhibitor and/or his/her immediate family shall be barred from State Fair competition for a period determined by the Executive Director or his/her designee that may include up to a lifetime.
18. The Executive Director or his/her designee may impose any other penalty deemed appropriate.

DUE PROCESS

19. The following due process rights and right of appeal shall be utilized.
20. The Executive Director or his/her designee shall notify the exhibitor in writing of the violation and penalty imposed within 15 days of the determination of a violation.
 - a. Within 15 days of receipt of written notification, the exhibitor may appeal the decision in writing to the Indiana State Fair Board. The written appeal must be delivered to the office of the Entry Office within the 15 days.
 - b. Within 15 days of receipt of the written appeal, the Executive Director or his/her designee may rescind his/her initial determination. No further determination as to the reported violation may be subsequently made by the Superintendent. The exhibitor shall have no further remedy available upon the rescission of the initial determination.
21. Should the Executive Director or his/her designee take no action on the appeal within 15 days from the date of receipt in the office of the Fair Board, the exhibitor may request an appeal hearing no later than 18 days of the initial violation determination. Requests for an appeal hearing must be sent to the State of Indiana Office of Administrative Law Proceedings (OALP) by submitting a petition for review. To submit a request, go online to <https://www.in.gov/oalp/>, select that you are an individual filing for a petition for review. Then:
 - a. Fill out the online form via the link at the bottom of the page (you will be asked to upload a copy of the violation determination);
 - b. Download a paper copy of the request form and mail it to OALP; or
 - c. Personally appear at OALP's office located at 100 N. Senate Avenue N802, Indianapolis, IN 46204
22. OALP shall appoint an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) to conduct an appeal hearing. The ALJ shall issue an order to parties setting a date for the appeal hearing.
23. OALP's assigned ALJ shall issue a final order concluding the Administrative Review.
24. Either party wishing to appeal the ALJ's final order may file for judicial review of the order. Any judicial review shall take place in a competent court situated in Marion County, Indiana.

GRIEVANCE

25. Within twenty-four (24) hours of judging of the competition any suspected infraction, Exhibitors competing in an Open Class competition shall personally present a Grievance Form (found at www.indianastatefair.com) to the Entry Office. No other persons have standing to present a Grievance Form. In all cases of grievance affecting an exhibitor, the statement must be verified. In the event a grievance is presented after judging has begun on the item or activity in question, the judging will proceed and the grievance will be handled as if the grievance were presented following the judging.
26. A grievance must be presented in writing, verified and accompanied by a \$500 cash or money order made out to the Indiana State Fair. The grievance must state the name of the exhibitor, the exhibit and class in question, the specific reason for ineligibility and the terms and conditions that govern the case.
27. The \$500 will be returned if the grievance is upheld. The \$500 will be forfeited if the grievance is not sustained.
28. The Executive Director or his/her designee shall notify, in writing and within 15 days of receiving the grievance, the person(s) submitting the grievance as to his/her determination of the validity of the grievance and the actions taken as a result of upholding the grievance. If the grievance is denied, the notifications shall state the reason(s) for denial.
29. The person(s) submitting the grievance shall have the due process rights set forth in the Due Process section of this Entry Book.

JUDGES AND JUDGING

30. The awards will be made by judges who are hired by the Livestock Director.
31. The time at which the judges will pass upon the different classes is determined by the Livestock Director or their designee. All exhibition times are subject to change without announcement.
32. Once a judge had completed judging on a class their decision is final and cannot be changed even at the judges request once a judge moves on to evaluate a different class
33. Any exhibit not presented promptly when called may be disqualified.
34. The judge, must, if any attempt be made by an exhibitor or his agent to interfere with or influence his decision, report the fact immediately to the Superintendent or his/her designee.
35. An exhibitor who insults the judge, shall forfeit all premiums, and be excluded from exhibiting, and the Fair Board may impose any additional penalty it so desires.
36. Judges shall not award prizes to unworthy exhibits, whether there is competition or not, nor shall they award premiums on articles incorrectly entered or incorrectly named.

APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF JUDGES

37. The right of an exhibitor to appeal the decision of a judge will exist only when it is charged that the award has been made in violation of the terms and conditions governing the exhibit, or when it is charged that the decision of the judges has been influenced or interfered with by another person.
38. The appellant must give verbal notice to the Executive Director or their designee in which the judging occurred within 2 hours of the judging. The written appeal as described above must be received within 24 hours of the verbal notice. The written appeal must be delivered to the Entry Office.
39. Appeals from the decision of a judge must be made in writing and must contain at least one specific charge, stating at length the facts relied upon and the term and condition violated, and naming witnesses and their addresses by whom proof is to be made.
40. The Executive Director or their designee shall notify the exhibitor in writing within 15 days of receipt of the appeal as to their findings and actions resulting therein.
41. The exhibitor shall have the due process rights forth in the Due Process section of the Handbook/Premium List. Entry Revisions, Cancellations & Refunds
42. Entries may be revised in advance of check-in. Additional fees may apply.
43. Entry Fees are non-refundable and will not be waived under any circumstances.

PREMIUMS

44. Premium checks will be mailed in October for all departments.
45. Premiums will be paid according to official judging result sheets.
46. To expedite delivery of premiums, any exhibitor receiving \$600.00 or more in monetary awards will be required to provide the Indiana State Fair with a completed IRS Form W-9 (W-8BEN for foreign exhibitors) providing a taxpayer identification number. Failure to provide this information will result in the forfeiture of all premium monies. Forms may be picked up at the Barn Offices, at the Entry Office in the Communications Building, or found on the IRS website www.irs.gov.
47. Regardless of the number of entries in each class by one exhibitor, only two premiums will be paid in any of the single classes and only one premium in any of the group classes.
48. Questions and/or discrepancies noted in issued premium checks must be addressed to the Indiana State Fair Entry Department prior to December 1, 2025 for resolution. Premium records will be considered closed on December 1, 2025 --and any exhibitor right of protest or re-issue is thereafter relinquished. A \$35.00 handling charge will be subtracted from a replacement check if check is lost, shredded, not cashed timely etc. Premium checks must be cashed within 90 days of receipt.

NONAMBULATORY DECEASED ANIMAL POLICY

49. The Indiana State Fair will not unload animals that are nonambulatory) or unable to walk off the vehicle under their own power. If an animal becomes nonambulatory after arrival at the Indiana State Fairgrounds
 - a. the owner shall immediately notify the superintendent in charge of that department.
 - b. Livestock that becomes nonambulatory after arriving at the Indiana State Fairgrounds must be removed within 12 hours of discovering or receiving notice of the animal's condition. If the animal is treatable and the above committee agrees, the owner must remove that animal from the fairgrounds (at the owner's expense) within the 12 hour period.
50. In the event of an animal dying while at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, the Indiana State Fair Commission will remove and dispose of the animal at the owner's expense. The owner must contact species superintendent, who will then be responsible for communicating with ISF staff for removal.

STALLS, PENS, AND TIES

51. ALL STALL, TIE, PER HEAD, PEN AND PARKING FEES MUST BE PAID AT TIME OF ENTRY. Any adjustments on pen or stall rentals will be made at the discretion of the Department Superintendent.
52. Pens or stalls are assigned only to animals shown in competition.
53. Stalls will be assigned only to bona fide exhibitors and animals actually entered for exhibition and show at the Fair. Failure to exhibit an animal will result in forfeiture of the stall. No stock will be released, nor premiums paid until all bills are paid. Further, no refunds will be made in the livestock Department.
54. Exhibits will be assigned stalls or space by Department Superintendent or assistant.
55. Whenever possible when assigning stalls, animals of the same breed or class will be placed in the same building or section of building.
56. All livestock exhibits, when assigned stalls or space, are subject to the control and discretion of the Department Superintendent, except that they must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor or his/her agent.
57. Parties reserving stalls and not occupying the same shall be subject to reassignment. In case of unavoidable detention and failure to attend the Fair, notice of such inability should be given to the Department Superintendent.
58. All stalls and pens shall be kept clean and well bedded. Failure by the exhibitor to carry out this rule permits the Department Superintendent to have this service performed and charged to the exhibitor.
59. Alteration or removal of stall or pen structures: Exhibitor is required to notify and obtain approval from show personnel to alter any stall(s) or pen structure(s), or any part thereof. If the Exhibitor does not seek and obtain such approval, Exhibitor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Indiana State Fair Board and the Indiana State Fair Commission for any damage to person or property that results from such alteration or removal.

FEEDING AND BEDDING

60. Feed and bedding may be available to exhibitors by the Feed Concessionaire.
61. Selling of feed, grain, hay and bedding by anyone other than the Feed Concessionaire is strictly prohibited.
62. Exhibitors will be permitted to bring feed, grain, hay and bedding for their own use.
63. Dumping of feed or bedding material into drains is prohibited.

REMOVAL OF BEDDING

64. No litter is to be placed in aisle at any time. Wheelbarrows will be available and all litter is to be placed at a designated point for removal.
65. Exhibitors will be required to keep the space near their stalls clear of waste and rubbish of any kind.

STATE FAIR VETERINARY SERVICE

66. A fee will be charged by the veterinarian.
67. When requested to do so, the State Fair Veterinarian or his/her Deputy, will attend all livestock shows and will act in conjunction with the judge.
68. An authorized representative of the State Veterinarian's office will be on duty to check health certificates at all times, in so far as is practicable and necessary to do so.

LOSS OR DAMAGE WAIVER

69. It is mutually agreed that the Indiana State Fair assumes no liability for any loss of property or any claim for personal injury, including death. The exhibitor herein agrees to release, discharge and indemnify the Indiana State Fair Commission, its component members, and their successors from liability by reason of injury to property and/or persons, including death, which may occur within or upon the premises herein described in any manner connected with use thereof by exhibitor.

All emergencies, safety concerns and suspicious activity should be reported immediately to the Indiana State Fair Operations Center at (317) 927-7520.

Prohibited Items

1. No alcoholic beverages may be brought on to the Fairgrounds during the annual Indiana State Fair.
2. No person in possession of a deadly weapon shall be permitted onto or be permitted to remain on the Fairgrounds, unless that person can demonstrate that the deadly weapon is intended for sale or trade at an event that is taking place on the Fairgrounds (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 11-2-2(b)).
 - a. The definition of a deadly weapon includes firearms, knives or sharp bladed items (regardless of blade length), or any object carried or possessed with the intent to be used as a deadly weapon.
 - b. Exhibitors will be permitted to carry and use knives and other tools necessary for the proper care of their animals, tack, and equipment. However, these items may only be carried within the confines of the barn in which the animal(s) is housed. Knives and other tools carried outside of the barn are subject to confiscation under the deadly weapon rules found in the Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 11-2-2.
3. Any deadly weapon found in the possession of a person while on the Fairgrounds is subject to immediate confiscation by persons authorized to provide security protection services as well as city, county, and state police agencies. Federal, state, or local law enforcement officers or those employed or authorized by the Indiana State Fair Commission are excepted from this rule (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 11-2-2 (a), (c), and Section 11-2-3 CI) and (2)).
4. Any person properly licensed to carry a firearm must secure the firearm in a locked compartment of his/her vehicle and it shall not be visible to passersby (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 11-2-2(d)).
5. No generators (not attached to a working/in transit RV/trailer/living quarters) or animal scales are permitted on the Fairgrounds except those furnished by the State Fair.

Animal Policies & Procedures

6. The only animals permitted on the Fairgrounds during the Indiana State Fair are animals registered, boarded or entered for exhibition, show or other competition; animals that will be used in a scheduled performance or to perform work at the Fair; law enforcement animals and service animals. Household and family pets, whether domestic or wild, and service animals not recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Section 36.104 are not permitted on the Fairgrounds during the Indiana State Fair. No person in possession of or having control over an unauthorized animal shall be permitted onto or be permitted to remain on the Fairgrounds (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 11-2-4).
7. Animals entered for exhibition, show or competition and animals scheduled to perform must remain in approved areas at all times. Violation may be disqualifiable offenses. See individual department terms and conditions for more specific information.

General Safety Policies & Procedures

8. Smoking is not permitted inside barns and buildings. Smoking is only permitted in designated areas on the Fairgrounds.
9. Cameras are located throughout the Fairgrounds for security and promotional purposes.
10. Motorized vehicles, including golf carts, are not permitted in any barns or buildings (IFC 313.1). This does not apply to personal mobility devices. A valid State issued driver's license is required to operate a motorized vehicle including a golf cart on the Fairgrounds.
11. Fans are permitted, so long as they have safety-approved shrouds. See individual department requirements pertaining to size, allowable number, and placement of fans.

Tents, Canopies, & Stall Coverings

- Any tent, canopy, or stall covering in a building must be made of a material to allow for or not block water distribution as well as meet or exceed NFPA Standard 701.
- A portable fire extinguisher must be located under each tent, canopy, or covering. Fire extinguishers mounted in the building by the ISFC do not apply. Exhibitors must have their own fire extinguisher under each tent, canopy, or covering.

Fire Safety

- The Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office conducts regular inspections of all barns and buildings during the Indiana State Fair to identify any potential fire hazards or threats to life safety. The decisions of the fire marshal are final and will be enforced.
- Fire extinguishers are located throughout every barn and building. They may be used for approved purposes only. Do not use a fire extinguisher if you are not trained on its proper use.
- Most buildings and barns are equipped with fire alarm and/or fire suppression systems. In the event of a fire, these systems should be activated.
- Emergency exits are clearly marked in all barns and buildings. In the event of an emergency, calmly evacuate through the nearest accessible emergency exit.
- Do not store tack/supplies in primary aisles, in front of exit doors, or in/under stairwells.

Severe Weather

- In the event of severe weather impacting the Fairgrounds, be it a severe thunderstorm or tornado, you may receive instructions over the barn or building public address system. If the barn or building is not equipped with a public-address system, State Fair staff will notify people in person.
- During a severe weather situation, you will be asked to remain inside, away from windows and doors whenever possible. Staff may be instructed to close all doors and windows, including overhead doors.
- Larger barns and buildings will be used for shelter-in-place (points of refuge) to allow Fairgoers to seek shelter. This may cause an influx of people into livestock areas and result in the postponement of a show or exhibition. Exhibitors should be mindful of this, keep aisles and walkways clear, and tend to their animals accordingly.

Food Preparation/Cooking Policies & Procedures

- Cooking inside and adjacent to barns and buildings is not advised. The Indiana State Fair Biosecurity plan recommends that food be excluded from animal areas. If cooking and/or food preparation is necessary, the following policies and procedures must be followed:
 - All grills and flat-top cook surfaces that are powered by gas, charcoal, or other fuel are prohibited on the Fairgrounds. Only electric-powered cooking devices are allowed. **Any cooking device with an open flame is prohibited.**
 - Approved cooking devices are limited to crockpots, or similar slow cookers, and microwave ovens. Cooking devices must have a cover approved for use with the device and comply with all applicable electrical and fire codes. Cooking devices are also required to be powered by approved cords that are not frayed or malfunctioning in any way.
 - Exhibitors cooking in the barns and buildings do so at their own risk and assume all liability for their actions concerning food contamination from pathogens that may be present in or near a livestock area.

Extension Cords

- Extension Cords shall not be a substitute for permanent wiring. IFC 2012 (605.4.1) Extension Cords shall not be affixed to structures. IFC 2012 (605.5)
- Extension Cords shall not extend through walls, ceilings, doorways, or floors. IFC 2012 (605.5) Extension Cords shall not be buried under carpet or animal bedding.

Multi-plug Adapter/Power Strip

- Multi-plug adapter(s) are prohibited. IFC 2012 (605.4)
- Power strip(s) shall be grounded and be equipped with overcurrent protection. IFC 2012 (605.4.1) Power strip shall be directly connected to an electrical outlet (no piggy-backing). IFC 2012 (605.4.2) Power strip cords shall not extend through walls, ceilings, doorways, or floors. IFC 2012 (605.4.3)

Animal Wellness & Care

The Animal Wellness & Care Plan (AWAC) was established to reinforce the Indiana State Fair's commitment and belief in the proper treatment of all animals in exhibition. The Indiana State Fair holds exhibitors of the various species of animals being exhibited to the highest standards in wellness, care and ethics of exhibition. The AWAC is responsible for ensuring the most up to date standards as well as to be a source for the public to seek answers to their questions relating to the health and safety of the animals involved in the Indiana State Fair. Failure or refusal by an exhibitor or fairgoer to comply with the Animal Wellness & Care Plan can result in penalties up to and including but not limited to removal and a ban from the Fairgrounds for the duration of the event.

Biosecurity

The Indiana State Fair Biosecurity Plan was developed to prevent the outbreak of diseases carried by both animals and humans that spread pathogens that can be transmitted to and from farm animals, as well as through the food supply. Many diseases and pathogens can be prevented through maintaining the cleanliness of facilities and encouraging good hygiene. The Biosecurity Plan will be enforced during the Indiana State Fair and all exhibitors are expected to carryout and preform basic biosecurity and hygienic task including:

- Hand Washing/sanitizing following exposure to animals and always before consuming food or drinks
- Excluding human food and food preparation from animal areas
- Maintaining general cleanliness of animals and animal areas
- Properly disposing of animal waste/soiled bedding in properly identified/designated areas
- Cleaning-up after your animal if it soils/has a biological event in a building/Fair common space
- Reporting the appearance or evidence of animal/human sickness or distress to Fair officials

Failure or refusal to comply with the above can result in penalties up to and including but not limited to removal and a ban from the Fairgrounds for the duration of the event.

The Indiana State Fair is committed to providing opportunities for all 4-H participants to show their animals as part of the State Fair. The State Fair also wants to ensure the integrity of its 4-H competitions as is evidenced by the various terms and conditions set forth in this Entry Book, including its policy with respect to testing for unauthorized substances in certain animals that are entered into these competitions and the penalties associated with positive results. By entering into these competitions, you agree to these terms and conditions and as such, we strongly recommend that you read this information carefully prior to submitting your entry.

Sam Ellison
Indiana State Fair Board

Superintendents: Justin Carey

1. Indiana State Fair General Terms and Conditions- By entering exhibits at the Indiana State Fair, you agree to the Indiana State Fair General Terms and Conditions.
 - a. Read general terms and conditions, health terms and conditions, livestock terms and conditions and draft horse department terms and conditions. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with all terms and conditions concerning exhibition. Ownership must be by July 31, 2026
2. **Exhibitors will be assigned only the number of stalls paid for. All stalls are 91/2' x 91/2' - 7' tall. Must see information regarding alteration or removal of stall or pen structures including gates. (Page 7)**
3. No stock will be released nor premiums paid until all stall rents and feed bills have been paid.
4. The ages of all horses and mules will be reckoned from January 1st of the year of foaling.
5. All Champion classes limited to first and second place animals.
6. All draft horses, draft ponies and mules must be paraded in the arena whenever so ordered by the management.
7. All height measurements to be under the direction of the department superintendent or his/her assistant.
8. The Indiana State Fair Competition is a Point Show for the North American 6-Horse Hitch Classic Series, Inc.
9. In the event that a Six Horse Hitch Class has only one exhibitor/entry the Indiana State Fair will not honor the North American 6-Horse Hitch Classic Series, Inc. premium payout policies/rules and will instead pay a single entry exhibitor the 1st place premium payout designated in the class premium sections below.
10. In the event of conflict between general and departmental terms and conditions, the latter will govern.
11. Regardless of the number of entries in each class, by any one exhibitor, only 2 premiums will be paid in any class.
12. **Any exhibitor receiving \$600.00 or more in monetary awards will be required to provide the Indiana State Fair with a completed IRS Form W-9 (W-8BEN for foreign exhibitors) providing a taxpayer identification number. Failure to provide this information will result in the forfeiture of all premium monies. Forms may be picked up at the Barn Office and the Entry Department in the Communications Building or on the IRS website at**
13. **Exhibitors will be expected to furnish copies of registration papers (front and back) verifying ownership upon request of the horse show committee.**
14. **Broodmares, Veld mares, Embryo Transfer Mares & Foals:**
 - a. The mare and foal class is defined as a mare and her foal of the current year. A mare and her embryo transfer foal may be shown in the mare and foal class.
 - b. A Broodmare is defined as a mare which has nursed a foal for at least 30 days in the given calendar year.
 - c. A Veld mare is defined as a mare which did not produce a foal or did not nurse a foal for 30 days in the given calendar year.
 - d. A mare which was the donor of an embryo is to be shown in either her correct age class or the Veld mare class. This mare and her embryo transfer foal may be shown in the mare and foal class.
15. **3 Mares Class and Stallion & 3 Mares Class:**
 - a. At least one owner must appear the same on all horses and that owner must be the exhibitor.
16. **Bred and Owned Classes:**
 - a. Entries are to be made under the original owner and the original owner must be the owner listed as of July 1, 2026. The original owner need not be continuous. However, no new owners can be added.

17. **Hitch Classes:**

- a. All drivers and attendants must be appropriately dressed (no jeans).
- b. Pairs, Unicorns, 4 and 6 horse hitches are to be properly hitched and driven to appropriate vehicles.
- c. Teams and unicorns must be owned by one exhibitor.
- d. At least two horses which make up the 4 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
- e. At least four horses which make up the 6 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
- f. The same horse or pony may not be used in the ladies' cart class and men's cart class.
- g. Junior drivers (10-18 years of age) must be accompanied by an adult.
- h. A Mare Six Horse hitch cannot be exhibited in both the Mare Six Horse Hitch Class and the Open Six Horse Hitch Class.
- i. An open class may consist of a Stallion, Gelding, or Grade Mare.
- j. The exhibitor must declare with show staff which horse they will be using for the registered mare cart class and registered gelding cart class by noon the day the class will be showing.
- k. Pleasure Cart Class, entries will be judged both ways of the arena at a walk, a slow trot, and a working trot, entries will reverse across the diagonal. Horses to stand quietly in the line-up, may be asked to back up and or pull forward. Judged on performance, quality, manners of the horses, and correct appointments. Chain traces and heel chains will be allowed, as well as, mane rolls, rosettes and tail bows.

18. **Youth Classes:**

- a. Participant must be a son or daughter of any exhibitor, or of their immediate family, or in the employment of an exhibitor.
- b. Exhibitors in the youth showmanship and decorating contests must be 10 years old at the time of the show and can be eligible to show as long as he/she is 18 years old during the year.
- c. Decorating classes- youth must furnish their own horses, holder, equipment and decorations.
- d. Youth must roll a mane, tail and foretop in 30 minutes. Contest will be judged on neatness and tightness of mane, tail and foretop roll and overall appearance of horse.
- e. Showmanship and youth driving classes- exhibitors will be judged on showmanship and the animal is not to count.
- f. A youth that exhibits in the youth classes will not be permitted to show in the open class as well.

Entry Information

1. All entries must be made in accordance with the terms and conditions.
2. Online Entry - To enter the Indiana State Fair, please go to <https://exhibitorscorner.indianastatefair.com/> and enter online. Each exhibitor is required to pay an entry fee at the time of entry. An exhibitor will not be considered entered into the Indiana State Fair until payment is made in full. Payment can be made online with a valid credit card. Entries will not be accepted over the phone.
3. Two (2) exhibitor badges will be given per exhibitor for each week an entry is made into the Indiana State Fair (not by species). Purchasing of Parking Passes are optional and are sold separately through Exhibitor's Corner.
4. Entry Deadlines and Fees -

Enter between
May 18, 2026 - July 1, 2026
Department Fee: \$70
Stall Fee: \$45

Enter Between
July 2, 2026 - July 26, 2026
Department Fee: \$130
Stall Fee: \$45

5. Confirmation of Entry- A confirmation email will be sent to the email address used to sign in for the account once entries have been paid in full.
6. Exhibitor Badges- Exhibitors will have the option to view arrival information on their exhibitor dashboard located on the entry system. All exhibitor badges will be picked up on-site at the Indiana State Fair Entry Office located in the Youth Arena. **NO BADGE PACKETS WILL BE MAILED.** Exhibitors are asked to use their unloading pass to access the fairgrounds before acquiring exhibitor badge packets. To reduce congestion Only one representative per family or group should collect badges. A signature and printed name will be required from the individual picking up the badges. To avoid delays, we recommend picking up badges during Tack Drop-Off or Animal Unloading / Check-In.
7. Exhibitors making entries under two names must be able to prove joint ownership of horses by furnishing a copy of the registration paper showing joint ownership if asked to do so by the horse show committee.
8. Halter entries MUST be made in the same exact entity as the animal is owned on its registration certificate. Example: If the registration certificate shows ownership as John Doe the entry must be submitted in that entity. The entry cannot be made as John Doe and John Smith or J & S Farms.
9. THE ANIMAL NAME, BIRTHDATE, REGISTRATION NUMBER, SIRE AND DAM NAME AND REGISTRATION FOR ALL EXCEPT THE GROUP CLASSES AND GRADES must be entered online entry.

Open Draft Horse Entry Information



Schedule

Attention: Additional practice times for riding will be posted at the 4-H Show and Stall Office.

Date	Time	Description	Location
Tuesday, August 11	1:00pm	Percheron/Clydesdale Arrival.	
Wednesday, August 12	8:00am	Percheron & Clydesdale Arrival. Must be stalled by 12:00pm	
Thursday, August 13	10:00am	Percheron and Clydesdale Halter Classes	Corteva Coliseum
	6:00pm	Open Ceremonies Eight Horse Hitch Percheron Under Saddle- English Clydesdale Under Saddle-English Percheron Ladies Cart Clydesdale Mare Six Percheron Open Four Clydesdale Open Four Percheron Mare Four Clydesdale Jr. Driver-Cart (10-18 yrs. of age) Percheron Registered Gelding Team Clydesdale Ladies Team Percheron Mare Cart Percheron Jr. Driver-Team (10-14 yrs. of age)	Corteva Coliseum
Friday, August 14	8:00am	Percheron Halter Classes-Stallions, Geldings, Mares, Group Classes	Corteva Coliseum or Youth Arena
	9:00am	Clydesdale Youth Decorating, Clydesdale Youth Showmanship, Clydesdale Youth Judging Competition	
	6:00pm	Open Ceremonies Percheron Best of Breed Clydesdale Under Saddle- Western Percheron Under Saddle - Western Clydesdale Open Six Percheron Mare Six Clydesdale Mare Four Percheron Open Six Horse Clydesdale Open Unicorn Percheron Men's Cart Clydesdale Mare Team Percheron Pleasure Cart Clydesdale & Shire Pleasure Cart Percheron Jr. Driver-Team (15-18 yrs. of age) Clydesdale Jr. Driver-Team (10-18 yrs. of age)	
Saturday, August 15	9:00am	Clydesdale Halter Classes-Geldings, Stallions, Mares, Group Classes Best of Breed	Corteva Coliseum or Youth Arena
	10:00am	Percheron Youth Decorating, Percheron Youth Showmanship Percheron Youth Judging Competition Percheron Jr. Driver-Cart (10-14 yrs. of age) - Immediately following youth classes Percheron Jr. Driver- Cart (15-18 yrs. of age) - Immediately following youth classes	
	6:00pm	Hitch Classes	Corteva Coliseum
Sunday, August 16	3:00pm	Hitch Classes	Corteva Coliseum
		Percherons and Clydesdales are released after showing	

Open Draft Horse Entry Information



Schedule (Cont.)

Date	Time	Description	Location
Tuesday, August 18	12:00pm	Belgian, Haflinger & Draft Pony Arrival	
Wednesday, August 19	8:00am	Belgian, Haflinger & Draft Pony Arrival. Must be stalled by 1:00pm.	
Thursday, August 20	5:00pm	Open Ceremonies Belgian Registered Mare Cart Haflinger Mare Team Belgian Ladies Cart Draft Pony Six Haflinger Unicorn Belgian Gelding Team Draft Pony Tandem Haflinger Jr. Driver-Cart (15-18 yrs. of age) Belgian Mare Unicorn Haflinger Ladies Cart Draft Pony Men's Cart Haflinger Jr. Driver-Team (10-14 yrs. of age) Belgian Jr. Driver-Team (10-14 yrs. of age) Belgian Under Saddle-English	Corteva Coliseum or Youth Arena
Friday, August 21	8:00am	Belgian Halter Class-Stallions, Geldings, Mares, Group Classes	Corteva Coliseum or Youth Arena
	9:00am	Haflinger Halter Classes	
	1:30pm est.	Hoosier Haflinger Sire Program	
	5:00pm	Open Ceremonies Belgian Best of Breed Haflinger Best of Breed Draft Pony Ladies Cart Haflinger Gelding Team Belgian Open Four Horse Hitch Haflinger Jr. Driver-Team (15-18 yrs. of age) Belgian Mare Six Horse Hitch Haflinger Jr. Driver-Cart (10-14 yrs. of age) Ladies Draft Pony Team Belgian Open Unicorn Draft Pony Four Horse Hitch Belgian Registered Gelding Cart Haflinger Mare Cart Belgian Jr. Driver - Team (15-18 yrs. of age)	
Saturday, August 22	9:00am	Draft Pony Halter Classes & Draft Pony Youth Showmanship	Corteva Coliseum or Youth Arena
	10:00am	Belgian Youth Decorating, Belgian Youth Showmanship	
	11:00am (est.) / TBA	National Belgian Futurity	
	At completion of Draft Pony Halter	AHR Futurity, Haflinger Youth Decorating, Haflinger Youth Showmanship	
	4:30pm	Open Ceremonies Draft Pony Best of Breed Draft Pony Jr. Driver- Team (10-18 yrs. of age) Belgian Men's Cart Draft Pony Team under 58" Haflinger Men's Cart Belgian Mare Team Draft Pony Unicorn Belgian Open Six Horse Hitch Haflinger Four Horse Hitch Belgian Mare Four Horse Hitch Haflinger Six Horse Hitch Belgian Jr. Driver-Cart (15-18 yrs. of age) Belgian Under Saddle-Western Belgian Jr. Driver-Cart (10-14 yrs. of age)	

Schedule (Cont.)

Date	Time	Description	Location
Sunday, August 23	11:00am	Belgian Classic Series Combined Six Horse Hitch Haflinger & Draft Pony Six Horse Hitch Belgian Registered Gelding Team Combined Draft Pony & Haflinger Ladies Cart	Corteva Coliseum
	1:00pm	Belgians, Haflinger, and Draft Ponies are released	

Belgian Division

2026 National Belgian Show

TERMS AND CONDITIONS - see terms and conditions for Draft Horses

1. All stallions, mares, and registered geldings competing as Belgians must be registered or eligible to be registered with the Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America. The entry of stallions and mares under one year of age must carry the name of the animal, date of foaling and name and number of sire and dam.
2. The Belgian Draft Horse Corporation will validate ownership and breeding of horses in hitch and halter classes.
3. **Broodmares. Veld mares. Embryo Transfer Mares & Foals-**
 - a. The mare and foal class is defined as a mare and her foal of the current year. A mare and her embryo transfer foal may be shown in the mare and foal class.
 - b. A Broodmare is defined as a mare which has nursed a foal for at least 30 days in the given calendar year.
 - c. A Veld mare is defined as a mare which did not produce a foal or did not nurse a foal for 30 days in the given calendar year.
 - d. A mare which was the donor of an embryo is to be shown in either her correct age class or the Veld mare class. This mare and her embryo transfer foal may be shown in the mare and foal class.
4. **Hitch Classes**
 - a. All drivers and attendants must be appropriately dressed (no jeans).
 - b. Pairs, Unicorns, 4 and 6 horse hitches are to be properly hitched and driven to appropriate vehicles.
 - c. Teams and unicorns must be owned by one exhibitor.
 - d. At least two horses which make up the 4 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - e. At least four horses which make up the 6 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - f. The same horse or pony may not be used in the ladies' cart class and men's cart class.
 - g. Junior drivers (10-18 years of age) must be accompanied by an adult.
 - h. A Mare Six Horse hitch cannot be exhibited in both the Mare Six Horse Hitch Class and the Open Six Horse Hitch Class.
 - i. An Open class may consist of a Stallion, Gelding, or Grade Mare
 - j. The exhibitor must declare with show staff which horse they will be using for the registered mare cart class and registered gelding cart class by noon the day the class will be showing.
5. **3 Mares Class and Stallion & 3 Mares Class**
 - a. At least one owner must appear the same on all horses and that owner must be the exhibitor.
6. **Bred and Owned Classes**
 - a. Entries are to be made under the original owner and the original owner must be the owner listed as of July 1, 2026. The original owner need not be continuous. However, no new owners can be added.
7. **Premier Halter Exhibitor** will be awarded to the exhibitor that achieves the highest point total in halter classes based on the published premium book. Add on premiums and monetary gifts in kind will not be counted.
8. **Youth Classes**
 - a. Participant must be a son or daughter of any exhibitor, or of their immediate family, or in the employment of an exhibitor.
 - b. Exhibitors in the youth showmanship and decorating contests must be 10 years old at the time of the show and can be eligible to show as long as he/she is 18 years old during the year.
 - c. Decorating classes- youth must furnish their own horses, holder, equipment and decorations.
 - d. Youth must roll a mane, tail and foretop in 30 minutes. Contest will be judged on neatness and tightness of mane, tail and foretop roll and overall appearance of horse.

Showmanship and youth driving classes- exhibitors will be judged on showmanship and the animal is not to count.

Category: Stallions

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
1	Stallion, 4 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42
2	Stallion, 3 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42
3 Do not enter	Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
4 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
5	Stallion, 2 years and under 3		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
6	Stallion, 1 year and under 2		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
7	Senior Stallion Foal, born before March 15 th of current year		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
8	Junior Stallion Foal, born on/after March 15 th of current year		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
9 Do not enter	Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
10 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
11 Do not enter	Grand Champion Stallion	Large Plaque	\$110
12 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Stallion	Small Plaque	\$55
13	Stallion under 3 years owned in Indiana		\$67-57-52-47-37-32
14	Stallion, any age, bred and owned by an exhibitor		\$67-57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22-17

Category: Geldings

Only registered geldings shown in classes #17 & #18 are eligible for the Registered Champion classes #19 & #20

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
15	Grade Gelding, 4 years and over		\$42-32-22-12
16	Grade Gelding, 3 years and under		\$42-32-22-12
17	Registered Gelding, 4 years and over		\$92-82-72-62-52-42-32
18	Registered Gelding, 3 years and under		\$92-82-72-62-52-42-32
19 Do not enter	Grand Champion Registered Gelding	Large Plaque & Rosette	\$110
20 Do not enter	Reserve Champion Registered Gelding	Small Plaque & Rosette	\$55

Category: Mares

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
21	Brood Mare, 5 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
22	Yeld Mare, 5 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
23	Mare, 4 years and under 5		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
24	Mare, 3 years and under 4		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
25 Do not enter	Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
26 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
27	Mare, 2 years and under 3		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
28	Mare, 1 years and under 2		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
29	Senior Filly Foal, born before March 15 th of current year		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
30	Junior Filly Foal, born on/after March 15 th of current year		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
31 Do not enter	Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
32 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
33 Do not enter	Grand Champion Mare	Large Plaque	\$110
34 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Mare	Small Plaque	\$55
35	Mare under 3 years owned in Indiana		\$67-57-52-47-37-32
36	Mare, any age, bred and owned by an exhibitor		\$67-57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22-17

Category: Group Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
37	Mare & Foal of current year		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
38	Produce of Dam		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
39	Get of Sire		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
40	3 Mares owned by the same Exhibitor		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
41	Stallion & 3 Mares owned by the Exhibitor (see terms and conditions)		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
42	3 Animals, an age, any sex – Bred and Owned by an Exhibitor (see terms & conditions)		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22

Category: Best of Breed & Premier Halter Exhibitor

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
43 Do not enter	Best of Breed (<i>Grand Champion Stallion, Grand Champion Mare & Grand Champion Registered Gelding will show for Best of Breed</i>)	Neck Ribbon	
44 Do not enter	Premier Halter Exhibitor Award	Trophy	

Belgian Youth Classes Division

Category: Decorating Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
45	Youth Decorating, 10 to 14 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
46	Youth Decorating, 15 to 18 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Decorating Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
47	Youth Showmanship, 10 to 14 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
48	Youth Showmanship, 15 to 18 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
49	4-H Showmanship (must be an Indiana 4-H member)	Ribbons to 5 th place	
50	Youth Judging, 10-14 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
51	Youth Judging, 15-18 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Driving Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
52	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (10-14 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27-22-12
53	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (15-18 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27-22-12
54	Junior Driving Competition, Team (10-14 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27-22-12
55	Junior Driving Competition, Team (15-18 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27-22-12
52	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (10-14 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27-22-12

Category: Overall Youth Awards

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
56 Do not enter	Champion Halter Youth Exhibitor, awarded to the youth exhibitor with the lowest overall point total (based on placings) in youth decorating & youth showmanship. Youth must participate in both.	Rosette	\$110
57 Do not enter	Champion Hitch Youth Exhibitor, awarded to the youth exhibitor with the lowest overall point total (based on placings) in Youth Decorating and Youth cart. Youth must participate in both.	Rosette	\$110

Belgian Hitch Division

Category: Hitches

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
58	Registered Mare Cart		\$97-92-82-77-72-67-62-52-52-52
59	Registered Gelding or Stallion Cart		\$97-92-82- 77-72-67-62-52-52-52
60	Ladies' Cart		\$97-92-82- 77-72-67-62-52-52-52
61	Men's Cart		\$97-92-82- 77-72-67-62-52-52-52
62	Registered Team of Mares		\$202-152-102-77-72-67-62-57-52-42
63	Team of Geldings		\$202-152-102-77-72-67-62-57-52-42
64	Pair Registered Geldings		\$202-152-102-77-72-67-62-57-52-42
65	Open Unicorn Hitch		\$352-302-277-252-202-102-77-77-72-72
66	Open Four Horse Hitch		\$502-452-427-352-302-252-202-152-102-102
67	Open Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202- 11 th and below 152
68	Mare Unicorn Hitch		\$352-302-277-252-202-102-77-77-72-72
69	Mare Four Horse Hitch		\$502-452-427-352-302-252-202-152-102-102
70	Mare Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202-11 th and below 150
71	Combined Classic Series Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202- 11 th and below 152

Category: Belgian Horse Under Saddle

Bareback Pad and Harness Bridles Prohibited. Judges' discretion for gaits during each class.

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
72	Western to Ride		\$77-62-52-47-42
73	English to Ride		\$77-62-52-47-42



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Clydesdale & Shire Division 2026 Mid-America Clydesdale & Shire Show

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. All stallions, mares, and registered geldings competing as Clydesdales must be registered or eligible to be registered with the Clydesdale Breeders of the USA. The entry of stallions and mares under one year of age must carry the name of the animal, date of foaling and name and number of sire and dam. Registration Papers, or a two sided copy, or a signed lease agreement on record with the Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A. and a copy of the leased animal's registration, must accompany the horses to the National Show. Papers will be checked by a representative of the Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A. All rules concerning dress and decorum will be enforced per request of the Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A
2. **Broodmares. Veld mares. Embryo Transfer Mares & Foals**
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 - e. At least four horses which make up the 6 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - f. The same horse or pony may not be used in the ladies' cart class and men's cart class.
 - g. Junior drivers (10-18 years of age) must be accompanied by an adult.
 - h. A Mare Six Horse hitch cannot be exhibited in both the Mare Six Horse Hitch Class and the Open Six Horse Hitch Class.
 - i. An Open class may consist of a Stallion, Gelding, or Grade Mare
4. **3 Mares Class and Stallion & 3 Mares Class**
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5. **Bred and Owned Classes**
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Category: Geldings

1st and 2nd place gelding from classes 1, 2, 3 & 4 will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Gelding

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
1	Grade Gelding, 4 years and over		\$42-32-22-12
2	Grade Gelding, 3 years and under		\$42-32-22-12
3	Registered Gelding, 4 years and over		\$92-82-72-62-52-42-32
4	Registered Gelding, 3 years and under		\$92-82-72-62-52-42-32
5 Do not enter	Grand Champion Gelding Grand and Reserve Grand Champion geldings will be selected from first and second place winners of both the grade and registered gelding classes.	Large Plaque	\$110
6 Do not enter	Reserve Champion Gelding	Small Plaque	\$55

Open Draft Horse Classes & Class Descriptions



Category: Stallions

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
7	Stallion, 3 years and over		\$92- 77-67-62-57-47-42-37
8 Do not enter	Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
9 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
10	Stallion, 2 years and under 3		\$92- 77-67-62-57-47-42-37
11	Stallion, 1 year and under 2		\$92- 77-67-62-57-47-42-37
12	Senior Stallion Foal (born before March 1 st of current year)		\$92- 77-67-62-57-47-42-37
13	Junior Stallion Foal (born on/after March 1 st of current year)		\$92- 77-67-62-57-47-42-37
14 Do not enter	Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
15 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
16 Do not enter	Grand Champion Stallion	Large Plaque	\$110
17 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Stallion	Small Plaque	\$55
18	Stallion, any age, bred and owned by an exhibitor		\$67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32

Category: Mares

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
19	Brood Mare, 5 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
20	Yeld Mare, 5 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
21	Mare, 4 years and under 5		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
22	Mare, 3 years and under 4		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
23 Do not enter	Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
24 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
25	Mare, 2 years and under 3		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
26	Mare, 1 year and under 2		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
27	Senior Filly Foal (born before March 1 st of current year)		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
28	Junior Filly Foal (born March 1 st or later current year)		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
29 Do not enter	Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
30 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
31 Do not enter	Grand Champion Mare	Large Plaque	\$110
32 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Mare	Small Plaque	\$55
33	Mare, any age, bred and owned by an exhibitor		\$67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32

Category: Clydesdale & Shire Group Classes

Registered geldings are eligible provided they have been shown in their registered line classes.

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
34	Mare and Foal of current year		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
35	Junior Produce of Dam (2 animals with the same dam) both animals must be 2 years of age or younger.		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
36	Produce of Dam (2 animals with the same dam) one animal must be 3 years of age or older		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
37	Junior Get of Sire (3 horses from the same sire) all animals must be 2 years of age or younger		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
38	Get of Sire (3 horses from the same sire) one animal must be 3 years of age or older		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
39	Three Mares, bred and owned by 1 exhibitor (see terms & conditions)		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
40	Stallion & Three Mares owned by 1 exhibitor (see terms & conditions)		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22

Category: Clydesdale Special Awards

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
41 Do not enter	Best Foal	Plaque	
42 Do not enter	Best of Breed (Grand Champion Stallion & Grand Champion Mare will show for Best of Breed)	Neck Ribbon	

Clydesdale & Shire Youth Classes Division

Category: Decorating Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
43	Youth Decorating, 10 to 14 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
44	Youth Decorating, 15 to 18 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Decorating Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
45	Youth Showmanship, 10 to 14 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
46	Youth Showmanship, 15 to 18 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12
47	4-H Showmanship (must be an Indiana 4-H member)	Ribbons to 5 th place	
48	Youth Judging, 10-18 years of age		\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Driving Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
49	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (10-18 years of age)		\$32-27-22-17-12-12-12-12
50	Junior Driving Competition, Team (10-18 years of age)		\$32-27-22-17-12-12-12-12
51 Do not enter	Champion Youth Award 10-14 years of age	Rosette	\$110
52	Champion Youth Award 15-18 years of age	Rosette	\$110

Clydesdale & Shire Hitch Division

Category: Hitches Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
53	Registered Mare Cart		\$97-92-82- 77-72-67-62-52-52-52
54	Ladies Cart		\$97-92-82- 77-72-67-62-52-52-52
55	Men's Cart		\$97-92-82- 77-72-67-62-52-52-52
56	Registered Team of Mares		\$202-152-102-77-72-67-62-57-52-42
57	Team of Geldings		\$202-152-102-77-72-67-62-57-52-42
58	Ladies Team		\$202-152-102-77-72-67-62-57-52-42
59	Open Unicorn Hitch		\$352-302-277-252-202-102-77-77-72-72
60	Open Four Horse Hitch		\$502-452-427-352-302-252-202-152-102- 102
61	Open Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202- 11 th and below 152
62	Mare Unicorn		\$352-302-277-252-202-102-77-77-72-72
63	Mare Four Horse Hitch		\$502-452-427-352-302-252-202-152-102- 102
64	Mare Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202 11 th and below 152
65	Combined Clydesdale & Shire and Percheron Six Horse Hitch (combined Clydesdale class 65 and Percheron class 64 one set of premiums)		\$1540 -1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202- 11 th and below 152
66	Combined Clydesdale & Shire and Percheron Eight Horse Hitch (combined Clydesdale class 66 and Percheron class 65 one set of premiums)		\$1650-1100- 752-502-502-502-502-252-252-252- 11 th and below 202

Category: Clydesdale & Shire Under Saddle

Under saddle horses may be shown in any recognized riding discipline tack/attire (Western, Australian, English, Saddle seat, Hunt seat, or Dressage). Choose a discipline and dress/tack appropriately to that discipline. Horses may not be shown in blinder bridles. Participants should enter ring at a trot. Horse will be shown both directions of the ring with gaits at the discretion of the judge, this may include canter/lope. Passing slower horses is permitted. Horses will be asked to reverse on the rail at a walk. Horses will lineup, should stand quietly and will be asked to back.

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
67	Western to Ride		\$77-62-52-47-42
68	English to Ride		\$77-62-52-47-42

Draft Pony Division 2026 Mid America Draft Pony Show

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Pony must have true draft type conformation, resembling a Belgian, Percheron or Clydesdale. Color is not to be a factor.
2. Ponies to be shown with shoes must be measured with shoes.
3. All ponies must stand naturally and with a loose lead rope for measuring

Category: Stallion & Gelding

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
1	Stallion or Gelding 3 years and over		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
2 Do not enter	Senior Champion Stallion or Gelding	Rosette	
3 Do not enter	Senior Reserve Champion Stallion or Gelding	Rosette	
4	Stallion or Gelding 2 years and under 3		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
5	Stallion or Gelding 1 year and under 2		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
6	Stallion or Gelding Foal of current year		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
7 Do not enter	Junior Champion Stallion or Gelding	Rosette	
8 Do not enter	Junior Reserve Champion Stallion or Gelding	Rosette	
9 Do not enter	Grand Champion Stallion or Gelding from classes 2 and 7	Large Plaque	\$20
10 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Stallion or Gelding from classes 2, 3, 7 or 8	Small Plaque	\$15

Category: Mares

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
11	Mares 4 years and over		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
12	Mares 3 years and under 4		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
13 Do not enter	Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
14 Do not enter	Senior Reserve Champion Mare	Rosette	
15	Mares 2 years and under 3		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
16	Mares 1 year and under 2		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
17	Filly Foals of current year		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
18 Do not enter	Jr. Champion Mare	Rosette	
19 Do not enter	Jr. Reserve Champion Mare	Rosette	
20 Do not enter	Grand Champion Mare from classes 13 and 18	Large Plaque	\$20
21 Do not enter	Reserve Champion Mare from classes 13, 14, 18 or 19	Small Plaque	\$15
22 Do not enter	Best of Show Draft Pony will come from first place from classes 9, 10, 20 or 21	Large Plaque	

Category: Group Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
23	Mare and Foal of current year		\$52-42-32-27-22-17
24	Produce- of-Dam, 2 animals, must be owned by exhibitor		\$52-42-32-27-22-17
25	Get-of-Sire, 3 animals, combined owners allowed		\$52-42-32-27-22-17

Category: Showmanship

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
26	Boy or girl, 10 to 14 years old		\$12-12-12-12-12
27	Boy or girl, 15 to 18 years old		\$12-12-12-12-12

Draft Pony Hitches Division

Category: Hitches Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
28	Men's high-wheeled cart - under 58"		\$52-42-32-27-22-17-17- 17-17-17
29	Ladies high-wheeled cart - under 58"		\$52-42-32-27-22-17-17- 17-17-17
30	Ladies 2-Pony hitch		\$72-62-52-42-32-32-32- 27-12-12
31	2-Pony hitch under 58"		\$72-62-52-42-32-32-32- 27-12-12
32	Tandem hitch under 58"		\$62-52-42-37-32-32-32- 27-17-12
33	Unicorn under 58" (combined ownership permitted)		\$152-132-92-82-72-62- 52-42-32-22
34	4-Pony hitch under 58"		\$252-202-152-127-102-77- 77-52-52-52
35	6-Pony hitch under 58"		\$502-402-302-252-177- 152-102-77-52-52
36	Junior driving competition, open to draft pony exhibitors - team	1st place- small plaque	\$52-47-42-37-32-27
37	Combined Draft Pony/Haflinger Ladies Cart (combined Draft Pony class 37 and Haflinger class 52 - one set of premiums)		\$72-62-52-42-32-32-32- 27-22-22
38	Combined Draft Pony/Haflinger Ladies Cart (combined Draft Pony class 38 and Haflinger class 53 - one set of premiums)		\$72-62-52-42-32-32-32- 27-22-22
39	Combined Draft Pony/Haflinger 6-Horse Hitch (combined Draft Pony class 39 and Haflinger class 53 - one set of premiums)		\$502-402-302-252-202- 152-152-152-152-152- 11 th and below 102
40	Combined Draft Pony/Haflinger 6-Horse Hitch (combined Draft Pony class 40 and Haflinger class 54 - one set of premiums)		\$502-402-302-252-202- 152-152-152-152-152- ,11 th and below 102

Haflinger Division 2026 National Haflinger Draft Show

Terms and Conditions

1. **Hitch Classes**
 - a. All drivers and attendants must be appropriately dressed (no jeans).
 - b. Pairs, 4 and 6 horse hitches are to be properly hitched and driven to appropriate vehicles.
 - c. Teams and unicorns must be owned by one exhibitor.
 - d. At least two horses which make up the 4 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - e. At least four horses which make up the 6 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - f. A haflinger team must be comprised of either two geldings or two mares and shown in the appropriate class.
A team comprised of both a gelding and a mare is not allowed.
 - g. The same horse or pony may not be used in the ladies' cart class and men's cart class.
 - h. Junior drivers (10-18 years of age) must be accompanied by an adult.
2. **3 Mares Class and Stallion & 3 Mares Class**
 - a. At least one owner must appear the same on all horses and that owner must be the exhibitor.
3. **Youth Classes**
 - a. Participant must be a son or daughter of any exhibitor, or of their immediate family, or in the employment of an exhibitor.
 - b. Exhibitors in the youth showmanship and decorating contests must be 10 years old at the time of the show and can be eligible to show as long as he/she is 18 years old during the year.
 - c. Decorating classes- youth must furnish their own horses, holder, equipment and decorations.
 - d. Youth must roll a mane, tail and foretop in 30 minutes. Contest will be judged on neatness and tightness of mane, tail and foretop roll and overall appearance of horse.
 - e. Showmanship and youth driving classes- exhibitors will be judged on showmanship and the animal is not to count.

Category: Stallions

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
1	Stallion, 4 years and over		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
2	Stallion, 3 years and over		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
3 Do not enter	Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
4 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
5	Stallion, 2 years and under 3		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
6	Stallion, 1 year and under		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
7	Stallion Foal		\$52-47-42-32-27-22
8 Do not enter	Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
9 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
10 Do not enter	Grand Champion Stallion	Large Plaque	\$20
11 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Stallion	Small Plaque	\$15
12	Stallion under 3 years owned in Indiana		\$47-42-32-22-17

Category: Mares

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
13	Mare, 5 years and over		\$52-47-42-32-27-22-17
14	Mare, 4 years and under 5		\$52-47-42-32-27-22-17
15	Mare, 3 years and under 4		\$52-47-42-32-27-22-17
16 Do not enter	Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
17 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
18	Mare, 2 years and under 3		\$52-47-42-32-27-22-17
19	Mare, 1 year and under 2		\$52-47-42-32-27-22-17
20	Filly Foal		\$52-47-42-32-27-22-17
21 Do not enter	Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
22 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
23 Do not enter	Grand Champion Mare	Large Plaque	\$20
24 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Mare	Small Plaque	\$15
25	Mare under 3 years owned in Indiana		\$47-42-32-27-22-17

Category: Geldings

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
26	Registered Gelding, 5 years and over		\$52-42-32-27-22-17-17
27	Registered Gelding, 4 years and under		\$52-42-32-27-22-17-17
28 Do not enter	Grand Champion Gelding	Large Plaque	\$20
29 Do not enter	Reserve Champion Gelding	Small Plaque	\$15
30 Do not enter	Best of Breed	Neck Ribbon	

Category: Haflinger Group Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
31	Mare & Foal of current year		\$47-42-32-27-22-17
32	Produce of Dam		\$47-42-32-27-22-17
33	Get of Sire		\$47-42-32-27-22-17
34	3 mares owned by the same exhibitor		\$47-42-32-27-22-17
35	Stallion and 3 mares owned by the same exhibitor		\$47-42-32-27-22-17

Haflinger Youth Classes Division

Category: Decorating Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
36	Youth Decorating 10-14 years		\$12-12-12-12-12
37	Youth Decorating 15-18 years		\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Showmanship

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
38	Youth Showmanship 10-14 years	1st place- small plaque	\$12-12-12-12-12
39	Youth Showmanship 15-18 years	1st place- small plaque	\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Driving Competition, Team

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
40	Junior Driving Competition, Team (10-14 years)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27
41	Junior Driving Competition, Team (15-18 years)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27

Category: Bud Jameson Honorary Youth Cart Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
42	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (10-14 years)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27
43	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (15-18 years)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27

Haflinger Hitches Division

TERMS AND CONDITIONS for Haflinger Hitches

1. A haflinger team must be comprised of either two geldings or two mares and shown in the appropriate class. A team comprised of both a gelding and a mare is not allowed.

Category: Hitch Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
44	Men's Cart		\$52-42-32-30-22-17-17-17-17-17
45	Ladies' Cart		\$52-42-32-30-22-17-17-17-17-17
46	Team of Geldings		\$82-72-57-47-37-32-32-27-27-27
47	Unicorn Hitch		\$152-132-92-82-72-62-52-42-32-22
48	Four Horse Hitch		\$252-202-152-127-102-77-77-52-52-52
49	Six Horse Hitch		\$602-502-352-227-177-152-102-102-102-102
50	Team of Mares		\$82-72-57-47-37-32-22-22-22-22
51	Mare Cart		\$52-42-32-27-22-17-17-17-17-17
52	Combined Haflinger/Draft Pony Ladies Cart (combined Haflinger class 52 and Draft Pony class 37 - one set of premiums)		\$72-62-52-42-32-32-32-27-22-22
53	Combined Haflinger/Draft Pony Ladies Cart (combined Haflinger class 53 and Draft Pony class 38 - one set of premiums)		\$72-62-52-42-32-32-32-27-22-22
54	Combined Six Horse Hitch (combined Haflinger Class 54 and Draft Pony class 39 one set of premiums)		\$502-402-302-252-202-152-152-152-152-11 th and below 102
55	Combined Six Horse Hitch (combined Haflinger Class 55 and Draft Pony class 40 one set of premiums)		\$502-402-302-252-202-152-152-152-152-11 th and below 102



INDIANA STATE FAIR
2026 AMERICAN HALFLINGER REGISTRY FUTURITY SHOW
August 22, 2026

Percheron Division 2026 National Percheron Show

TERMS AND CONDITIONS - see terms and conditions for Draft Horses on page 13.

1. All stallions, mares, and registered geldings competing as Percherons must be registered or eligible to be registered with the Percheron Horse Association of America. The entry of stallions and mares under one year of age must carry the name of the animal, date of foaling and name and number of sire and dam.
2. **Broodmares. Veld mares. Embryo Transfer Mares & Foals-**
 - a. **The mare and foal class is defined as a mare and her foal of the current year.** A mare and her embryo transfer foal may be shown in the mare and foal class.
 - b. A Broodmare is defined as a mare which has nursed a foal for at least 30 days in the given calendar year.
 - c. A Veld mare is defined as a mare which did not produce a foal or did not nurse a foal for 30 days in the given calendar year.
 - d. A mare which was the donor of an embryo is to be shown in either her correct age class or the Veld mare class. This mare and her embryo transfer foal may be shown in the mare and foal class.
3. **Hitch Classes:**
 - a. All drivers and attendants must be appropriately dressed (no jeans).
 - b. Pairs, Unicorns, 4 and 6 horse hitches are to be properly hitched and driven to appropriate vehicles.
 - c. Teams and unicorns must be owned by one exhibitor.
 - d. At least two horses which make up the 4 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - e. At least four horses which make up the 6 horse hitch must be owned by the exhibitor making the entry.
 - f. The same horse or pony may not be used in the ladies' cart class and men's cart class.
 - g. Junior drivers (10-18 years of age) must be accompanied by an adult.
 - h. A Mare Six Horse hitch cannot be exhibited in both the Mare Six Horse Hitch Class and the Open Six Horse Hitch Class.
4. **3 Mares Class and Stallion & 3 Mares Class**
 - a. At least one owner must appear the same on all horses and that owner must be the exhibitor.
5. **Youth Classes**
 - a. Participant must be a son or daughter of any exhibitor, or of their immediate family, or in the employment of an exhibitor.
 - b. Exhibitors in the youth showmanship and decorating contests must be 10 years old at the time of the show and can be eligible to show as long as he/she is 18 years old during the year.
 - c. Decorating classes- youth must furnish their own horses, holder, equipment and decorations.
 - d. Youth must roll a mane, tail and foretop in 30 minutes. Contest will be judged on neatness and tightness of mane, tail and foretop roll and overall appearance of horse.
 - e. Showmanship and youth driving classes- exhibitors will be judged on showmanship and the animal is not to count.

Category: Stallions

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
1	Stallion, 4 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52
2	Stallion, 3 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52
3 Do not enter	Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
4 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
5	Stallion, 2 years and under 3		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
6	Stallion, 1 year and under 2		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
7	Senior Stallion Foal (Born before March 15 th current year)		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
8	Junior Stallion Foal (Born on/after March 15 th current year)		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
9 Do not enter	Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
10 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Stallion	Rosette	
11 Do not enter	Grand Champion Stallion	Large Plaque	\$110
12 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Stallion	Small Plaque	\$55
13	Stallion under 3 years owned in Indiana		\$67-57-52-47-37-32-27-22

Open Draft Horse Classes & Class Descriptions



Category: Geldings

Only registered geldings shown in classes #16 & #17 are eligible for the Registered Champion classes #18 & #19

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
14	Grade Gelding, 4 years and over		\$42-32-22-12
15	Grade Gelding, 3 years and under		\$42-32-22-12
16	Registered Gelding, 4 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57
17	Registered Gelding, 3 years and under		\$92-77-67-62-57
18 Do not enter	Grand Champion Registered Gelding	Large Plaque	\$110
19 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Registered Gelding	Small Plaque	\$55

Category: Mares

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
20	Brood Mare, 5 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
21	Yeld Mare, 5 years and over		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
22	Mare, 4 years and under 5		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
23	Mare, 3 years and under 4		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
24 Do not enter	Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
25 Do not enter	Reserve Senior Champion Mare	Rosette	
26	Mare, 2 years and under 3		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
27	Mare, 1 years and under 2		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
28	Senior Filly Foal, born before March 15th of current year		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
29	Junior Filly Foal, born on/after March 15th of current year		\$92-77-67-62-57-52-47-42-37-32
30 Do not enter	Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
31 Do not enter	Reserve Junior Champion Mare	Rosette	
32 Do not enter	Grand Champion Mare	Large Plaque	\$110
33 Do not enter	Reserve Grand Champion Mare	Small Plaque	\$55
34	Mare under 3 years owned in Indiana		\$67-57-52-47-37-32-27-22

Category: Group Classes

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
35	Mare & Foal of current year		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
36	Produce of Dam		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
37	Junior Get of Sire (3 horses from the same sire) all animals must be 2 years of age or younger		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
38	Get of Sire (3 horses from the same sire) one animal must be 3 years of age or older		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
39	3 Mares owned by 1 Exhibitor (see terms & conditions)		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22
40	Stallion & 3 Mares owned by 1 Exhibitor (see terms & conditions)		\$57-52-47-42-37-32-27-22

Category: Best of Breed

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
41 Do not enter	Best of Breed (Grand Champion Stallion, Grand Champion Mare & Grand Champion Registered Gelding will show for Best of Breed)	Neck Ribbon	

Percheron Youth Classes Division

Category: Decorating Contest

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
42	Youth Decorating 10-14 years		\$12-12-12-12-12
43	Youth Decorating 15-18 years		\$12-12-12-12-12

Category: Showmanship

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
44	Youth Showmanship 10-14 years	1st place- small plaque	\$12-12-12-12-12
45	Youth Showmanship 15-18 years	1st place- small plaque	\$12-12-12-12-12
46	4-H Percheron Showmanship	Ribbons to 5 th Place	

Category: Driving Competition

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
47	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (10-14 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27
48	Junior Driving Competition, Cart (15-18 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27
49	Junior Driving Competition, Team (10-14 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27
50	Junior Driving Competition, Team (15-18 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27

Category: Overall Youth Awards

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
51 Do not enter	Champion Youth Award 10-14 years of age	Rosette	\$110
52 Do not enter	Champion Youth Award 15-18 years of age	Rosette	\$110

Category: Percheron Youth Judging

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
53 Do not enter	Percheron Youth Judging (10-14 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27
54 Do not enter	Percheron Youth Judging (15-18 years of age)		\$52-47-42-37-32-27

Percheron Youth Classes Division

Category: Hitches

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
55	Pleasure Cart		\$97-92-82-77- 72-67-62-52-52-52
56	Registered Mare Cart		\$97-92-82-77- 72-67-62-52-52-52
57	Ladies Cart		\$97-92-82-77- 72-67-62-52-52-52
58	Men's Cart		\$97-92-82-77- 72-67-62-52-52-52
59	Registered Team of Mares		\$202-152-102- 77-72-67-62-57-52-42
60	Team of Geldings		\$202-152-102- 77-72-67-62-57-52-42
61	Registered Team of Geldings		\$202-152-102- 77-72-67-62-57-52-42
62	Open Unicorn Hitch		\$352-302-277-252-202-102-77-77-72-72
63	Open Four Horse Hitch		\$502-452-427-352-302-252-202-152-102-102
64	Open Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202- 11 th and below 152
65	Mare Unicorn		\$352-302-277-252-202-102-77-77-72-72
66	Mare Four Horse Hitch		\$502-452-427-352-302-252-202-152-102-102
67	Mare Six Horse Hitch		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202-11 th and below 152
68	Combined Percheron & Clydesdale Six Horse Hitch (combined Percheron class 68 and Clydesdale class 65 - one set of premiums)		\$1540-1210-902-702-552-352-202-202-202-202- 11 th and below 152
69	Combined Eight Horse Hitch (combined Percheron class 69 and Clydesdale class 66 - one set of premiums)		\$1650-1100- 752-502-502-502-502-252-252-252-11 th and below 202

Category: Percheron Horse Under Saddle

Bareback Pad and Harness Bridles Prohibited - Judges discretion for gaits during each class.

Class #	Class Description	Awards	Premiums
69	Western to Ride		\$77-62-52-47-42
70	English to Ride		\$77-62-52-47-42

2026 Award Donors

Any monetary or non-monetary awards bestowed by outside associations, persons, industries, etc. are not paid or given through the Indiana State Fair.

INDIANA STATE FAIR will award a plaque to the best decorated stall.

Belgian Awards:

Belgian Draft Horse Corporation of America will give trophies to:

- Senior Champion Stallion
- Reserve Senior Champion Stallion
- Junior Champion Stallion
- Reserve Junior Champion Stallion
- Grand Champion Stallion
- Reserve Grand Champion Stallion
- Grand Champion Registered Gelding
- Reserve Grand Champion Registered Gelding
- Senior Champion Mare
- Reserve Senior Champion Mare
- Junior Champion Mare
- Reserve Junior Champion
- Mare Grand Champion Mare
- Reserve Grand Champion Mare
- Winner of 3 Animals Bred and Owned by one Exhibitor
- Combined Classic Series Six Horse Hitch
- Awards will be given to:
 - Best of Breed
 - Premier Halter Exhibitor

George & Sue Miller will provide an award for the Best Jr. Team Driver 10-14

George & Sue Miller will provide an award for the Best Jr. Team Driver 15-18

The Gary Derrer Memorial Trophy presented by Siro Derrer-Brooks will be given to the Junior Champion Mare

Jim & Lynn Carey will present an award to the showmanship winner for ages 10 to 14 years of age.

The Murray Messersmith Trophy presented by **Bryan Messersmith** will be given to the showmanship winner for ages 15 to 18 years of age.

The Belgian Draft Horse Youth & Education Alliance, Inc. will sponsor an award to the Champion Halter Youth Exhibitor in both age groups, 10-14 and 15-18. This award is given to the youth exhibitor with the lowest overall point total (based on placings) in Youth Decorating & Youth Showmanship. Youth must participate in both. Additional premiums will be based on donations and the number of youth participating.

The Belgian Draft Horse Alliance, Inc. will sponsor an award to the Champion Hitch Youth Exhibitor in both age groups, 10-14 and 15-18. This award is given to the youth exhibitor with the lowest overall point total (based on placings) in Youth Decorating and Youth Cart. Youth must participate in both. Additional premiums will be based on donations and the number of youth participating.

Clydesdale & Shire Awards:

George & Sue Miller will provide an award for the Best Jr. Team Driver 10-18

Haflinger Awards:

The American Haflinger Registry will award a trophy to the Best of Breed, Grand Champion Mare and Grand Champion Stallion.

ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITION OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS IN INDIANA 2026

This document describes the Indiana State Board of Animal Health's (BOAH) requirements for all animal exhibitions in the state. Indiana State 4-H has imposed additional requirements as a condition of exhibition. These additional conditions are denoted with an “**” throughout this document.

Please call the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center – Entry Department at (317) 927-7515 with questions concerning exhibition requirements in Indiana.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

A. Limitations on Exhibition

This section describes limitations on exhibiting animals in Indiana. Other exhibition limitations may be described in the species-specific requirements that follow.

1. Failure to meet all animal health requirements will result in removal of animals from the exhibition premises.
2. The following animals are not eligible for exhibition in Indiana:
 - a. Animals that originate from a herd that is under quarantine.
 - b. An animal prohibited from exhibition under any law or order.
 - c. Any animal classified as a brucellosis “suspect”.
 - d. Animals showing signs of any infectious or communicable disease or that are a health hazard to people or other animals.
 - e. Any animal that does not meet state animal health requirements.
3. Any animal that develops or shows signs of any infectious or communicable disease during exhibition must be removed from the premises, including the surrounding exhibition grounds. An owner who is disputing the exclusion of his/her animal(s) from exhibition may not exhibit the animal in question pending any appeal.
4. The State Veterinarian is authorized to make the final determination as to an animal's eligibility for exhibition. The State Veterinarian may order removal of any animal from the exhibition grounds.
5. Exhibition organizers may impose health requirements in addition to those prescribed by BOAH. Added requirements may not contradict requirements imposed by BOAH.
6. Exhibition organizers may have a licensed and accredited veterinarian review animals and animal health documentation during the exhibition.

B. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection

1. **For animals located within Indiana**, a certificate of veterinary inspection (commonly known as a “health paper”) is not required by the Indiana State 4-H Office or BOAH for exhibition.
2. **For animals located outside of Indiana**, the exhibitor must have a properly completed CVI for all animals prior to entry. This requirement applies to all domestic animals (except fish and poultry).
 - a. CVIs must be completed by a licensed and accredited veterinarian who has personally inspected the animals.
 - b. A CVI for any animal is valid for 30 days from the date it is issued by a licensed and accredited veterinarian. NOTE: Animal(s) must be inspected by a licensed and accredited veterinarian no more than ten days prior to the date in which the CVI is issued.
 - c. CVIs must clearly include a description of each animal including the age, sex, and breed of the animal, and the official individual identification.
 - d. CVIs must accompany the animal while on the exhibition premises.
 - i. CVI's can be made available in their original format (i.e., digital, or physical copy).
3. SEE SPECIES SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMALS INTENDED FOR SALE.

C. Pre-Entry Movement Permit (REVISED)

Effective January 1, 2022:

1. **For swine and cattle located within Indiana**, a pre-entry movement permit is not required.
2. **For swine and cattle located outside of Indiana**, a pre-entry movement permit is not required when an electronic certificate of veterinary inspection is issued.
3. **For swine and cattle located outside of Indiana**, a pre-entry movement permit is required when a **paper** certificate of veterinary inspection is issued.
 - a. The 2026 Indiana State Fair pre-entry movement permit number is “**INSF26**” and must be noted on all **paper** certificates of veterinary inspection.

D. Indiana State Fairgrounds

1. The Federal Premises Identification Number for the Indiana State Fairgrounds that should be recorded on all associated CVIs is: **00C6T69**
2. The physical address for the Indiana State Fairgrounds that should be recorded on all associated CVIs is: **1202 E 38th St, Indianapolis, IN 46205**

E. Official Identification

All exhibition animals must be permanently and individually identified unless otherwise noted. Official ear tags are tags approved by the USDA that bear the US shield. All official identification and any additional identification devices should be recorded on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

F. Testing

1. All tests required for exhibition must be conducted at the Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (ADDL) at Purdue University, a laboratory approved by the Indiana State Board of Animal Health, or a state or federal-approved laboratory.
2. All animals, including Indiana animals, that are to be offered for sale to out of state buyers should have the necessary testing completed prior to the sale date. The destination state should be contacted to ensure all pre-entry movement requirements are met prior to the planned movement. www.in.gov/boah/movements-out-of-indiana/

DRAFT HORSE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

A. SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES

B. Official Identification*

1. Physical description of the animal, or;
 - a. Name, age, breed, color, gender, distinctive markings, cowlicks, scars, blemishes, biometric measures, brands, tattoos, etc.
2. Digital photographs, or;
3. USDA-approved electronic implant (microchip)

C. Testing*

1. **Horses and Ponies located within Indiana**, a negative Equine Infection Anemia (EIA) test, also known as a "Coggins Test", for exhibition in Indiana is not required. (Recommended)
2. **Horses and Ponies located outside Indiana**, a negative EIA test within twelve months of the date of exhibition in Indiana is required. (Required)
 - a. EIA test must be noted on Certificate of Veterinary Inspection with lab name, accession number, and test results.
 - b. A suckling foal accompanying a dam that has tested negative for EIA within the last twelve months prior to exhibition is exempt from the EIA testing requirement.

INDIANA STATE FAIR GRIEVANCE/APPEAL FORM



INDIANA STATE FAIR

WARNING: You must read and initial this section before proceeding to complete this document.

_____ 1. I understand and agree that filing a grievance that alleges
a. facts that are not true, or
b. facts that I know are not true, or
c. facts I should know are not true:
will be considered a violation of the 4-H behavioral expectations.

_____ 2. I understand and agree that all statements made herein by me are subject to the pains and penalties of perjury and I hereby affirm that my statements herein are true.

_____ 3. I understand that perjury is a crime in Indiana.

I, the undersigned, allege that the following term(s) and condition(s) have been violated:

The facts which support this allegation are set out as follows:
(If needed, additional sheets may be attached.)

I swear or affirm under the penalties of perjury⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ that I have read, understand, and accept the above statements to be true, accurate, and complete

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print your name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

(1) Perjury - knowingly making false material statements under oath or affirmation. In Indiana, person who commits perjury commits a Class D felony⁽³⁾, which may be punishable by imprisonment, fine or restitution (Indiana Code 35-44-2-1 and 35-50-2-7)

(2) Prosecution for violations of Indiana law will be referred to the proper authorities.

(3) Felony - a crime of graver or more serious nature than those designated as misdemeanors.

Form received by signed: _____ Date: _____