

SWEETWATER COUNTY FAIR GENERAL INFORMATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Updated 1.20.2023

Every exhibitor, concessionaire, employee, or other person having business on the grounds must observe the rules and regulations formulated by the Fair Board or its authorized officials. The Fair Board reserves the right to determine rules and regulations and their interpretation and make the final decision as it relates to any and all conflicts as it relates to same.

Entry of Exhibits

Competition is open to Sweetwater, Daggett, and Moffat Counties, unless otherwise stated. For the convenience of our exhibitors, on-line registration is available at www.sweetwaterevents.com. Participants can enter online or at a computer terminal located at Sweetwater Events Complex.

On-line registration on-site; however, if you have many exhibits, it is advisable to enter online prior to bringing your exhibits. Entry tags will be printed at the Sweetwater Events Complex.

Exhibits will be accepted in the main Exhibit hall Saturday, July 29, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 30, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Judging will take place Monday, July 31. Exhibitors can take their exhibits home from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 6. No exception! The Fair is unable to assume responsibility for left exhibits.

Exhibits must be made in the name of the bona fide owner at the time of entry; if articles which are the product of manual, mechanical or artistic skill may be entered by the maker, inventor, manufacturer, artist or dealer. An entry made otherwise for the purpose of perpetrating a fraud will be removed from competition. If exhibits are determined to be placed in the wrong department the exhibit may be transferred to the proper department at the discretion of the department Supervisor. Because of the large number of entries and the limited space available, the Supervisors of each department may select those works which will be displayed. Supervisor has discretion not to accept works which, are in poor taste or objectionable to public viewing.

Exhibit Hall

Open to the public, August 1 from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., then from August 2-5 from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Security

Security service will be provided in the exhibit hall daily. Responsibility for loss, damage or injury to livestock or person or other property belonging to any individual while said property is being exhibited or used in connection with the Fair is the responsibility of the Exhibitor. Every precaution will be taken for the safety of all entries. The Fair shall not accept or be held responsible for the safe return of any exhibit to its owners, although due care and caution will be exercised to prevent all loss and damage. Exhibitors are encouraged to have insurance in place if needed.

Judging

Exhibitors are not allowed in their departments during judging time. Standards for awarding prizes prevent judges from awarding prizes to exhibits that do not meet acceptable standards within the various categories to be judged. Absence of competition will not be accepted as justification for awarding prizes within any class. Interference with judging or the judging process by any exhibitor or agent of any exhibitor may result in the removal of the exhibitor's exhibits. Decisions of the Judges are final.

Open Class Payment of Premiums

Premium money will be paid in cash upon presenting proper identification at the information desk window located at the EXHIBIT HALL. Premium payouts will follow the below schedule:

- Friday, 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- Saturday, 12 noon to 9:00 pm
- Sunday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Please pick up premium money at the fair as money will not be sent out after the fair. **The deadline for claiming premiums is August 6, 2023.** All premiums not picked up by the deadline will be forfeited.

Premiums amounts offered by the Fair cannot be changed nor will extra premiums be awarded by the Board. In the event there is no competition in a class or lot, the judge shall determine what classification the entry would be able to make in the face of competition, prize money and ribbon to be awarded.

Awards

Open class exhibits will be placed as First, Second or Third unless otherwise specified. Only First and Second Place winners in each class will be eligible to compete in Championship classes. Only Grand Champion and Reserve champion ribbons will be awarded. No cash awards will be awarded in classes unless specified in the premium list. No Grand Champion or Reserve Champion rosettes or trophies will be awarded in divisions unless there are three or more entries in each class.

Trophies will be given out to qualified winners only. Color of Awards will be as follows:

Grand Champion	Purple Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion	Lavender Rosette
First Place	Blue Ribbon
Second Place	Red Ribbon
Third Place	White Ribbon

Protests

Should a conflict arise; exhibitors can submit an official protest to the Events Complex staff. All protests shall be in writing detailing the complaint. Events Complex staff will meet with the supervisor and judge for review of the protest and make a determination. That decision will be final.

Fair Store

RV spaces, horse stalls and admission tickets may be purchased online at www.sweetwaterevents.com. The fair store opens at 8 a.m. on May 1st and RV spaces & stalls are assigned in the order received.

A Word to Our Patrons

The Sweetwater County Fair is grateful for the cooperation and participation which is regularly received from the many friends throughout this area. Your suggestions for the betterment of our Fair will always be given careful consideration. We sincerely appreciate your patronage, and we will do our best to always deserve it.

ADVERTISING

DISTRIBUTION OF HANDBILLS OR OTHER ADVERTISING BY INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON FAIRGROUND PROPERTY. TACKING OR POSTING OF ADVERTISING BILLS, CARDS, ETC. WILL NOT BE PERMITTED ON ANY BUILDINGS, POWER POLES, CARS OR ELSEWHERE. EXHIBITORS MAY ADVERTISE AND DISTRIBUTE FROM THEIR BOOTH OR EXHIBIT SPACE ONLY. ANYONE VIOLATING THIS WILL BE BILLED FOR ADVERTISING OR REMOVED FROM THE FAIRGROUNDS PROPERTY.

Art

Supervisor – Susan L.

Awards		
Best of Show	Big Show Award	
Overall Grand Champion Art Entry	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Overall Reserve Champion Art Entry	Trophy & Rosette	\$5
Grand Champion – Adult Art, Advanced	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Reserve Champion – Adult Art, Advanced	Rosette	\$5
Grand Champion – Adult Art, Amateur	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Reserve Champion – Adult Art, Amateur	Rosette	\$5
Grand Champion – Youth Art, Preschool - K	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Reserve Champion – Youth Art, Preschool - K	Rosette	\$5
Grand Champion – Youth Art, Grades 1-5	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Reserve Champion – Youth Art, Grades 1-5	Rosette	\$5
Grand Champion – Youth Art, Grades 6-8	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Reserve Champion – Youth Art, Grades 6-8	Rosette	\$5
Grand Champion – Youth Art, Grades 9-12	Trophy & Rosette	\$10
Reserve Champion – Youth Art, Grades 9-12	Rosette	\$5

Rules

1. Entries must be original work of exhibitor and not previously entered in Sweetwater County Fair competition.
2. **All entries must be framed or mounted.** Frame or mount drawings and graphics with tag, poster or mat board. All entries must have a sturdy hanging device; such as wire or heavy string. Do not attach entry tags to back of work.
3. For Adult Art, please no more than five (5) items in each class.
4. Two classes for Adult Art: Amateur (High School graduates and/or those over 18) and Advanced (those who make a living with their art, such as teachers, those who actively market their art-work and those who have entered as ‘professionals’ in other shows).
5. Judges criteria includes: composition; presentation: overall appeal, matting and framing; use of color (if any); use of value or line; technique and originality.
6. **All entries must remain until Sunday, and be picked up by 3:00 p.m. that same day.**

Division 1 - Adult Art, Advanced
Class Premiums: \$2.00 \$1.75 \$1.50

Class No.

1. Open entry in any media

Division 2 - Adult Art, Amateur
Class Premiums: \$2.00 \$1.75 \$1.50

Class No.

1. Coloring page
2. Dimensional artwork – 2D (paintings, drawings, mixed media, graphics, etc.)
3. Dimensional artwork – 3D (sculpture/pottery in metal, wood, clay, etc.)
4. Painting class project

Division 3 - Youth Art
Class Premiums: \$2.00 \$1.75 \$1.50

Class No.

1. Toddlers, Preschool & Kindergarten (ages 1-5)
2. Grades 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
3. Grades 6, 7 and 8
4. Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12