

PULLING CONTESTS

SUPERINTENDENT Fran Mason
Worthington, MA

JUDGE TBA

ARRIVAL **Horse**
Monday, September 15, 2025
7 a.m. to 9 a.m. (scales open)
Oxen
Tuesday, September 16, 2025
7 a.m. to 9 a.m. (scales open)

SHOW - ALL SHOWS IN COLISEUM

CLASS	TEAM	WEIGHT	DAY	DATE	TIME
A	Horses	3200 lbs.	Monday	Sept. 15	10 a.m.
B	Horses	3500 lbs.	Monday	Sept. 15	1:30 p.m.
C	Horses	Over 3500 lbs.	Monday	Sept. 15	6 p.m.
D	Oxen	2550 lbs. & under	Tuesday	Sept. 16	9:30 a.m.
E	Oxen	2950 lbs.	Tuesday	Sept. 16	11:30 am.
F	Oxen	3350 lbs.	Tuesday	Sept. 16	2:30 p.m.
G	Oxen	Over 3350 lbs.	Tuesday	Sept. 16	6 p.m.

RELEASE Upon Release by Show Superintendent

AWARDS **ESE** offers a revolving trophy for Champion Free-For-All in both Oxen and Horses.
ESE offers \$100 in each species that pulls the largest load.

SHOW PREMIUMS

CLASS A:												
\$375	300	235	170	160	135	135	100	85	70			
CLASS B:												
\$375	300	235	170	160	135	135	100	85	70			
CLASS C:												
\$725	680	575	450	340	275	240	190	170	135	135	135	
CLASS D:												
\$375	300	235	170	155	115	100	80	70	50	50	50	50
CLASS E:												
\$375	300	240	175	160	130	120	100	90	80	55	55	
CLASS F:												
\$375	300	240	175	160	130	120	100	90	80	55	55	
CLASS G:												
\$725	680	575	450	340	275	240	190	170	135	135	135	

\$25 for completion of first pull if no other premiums received.

ENTRIES CLOSE AT END OF ARRIVAL TIME

SPECIAL RULES

- 1. Read General Rules:** All entries and awards within this show will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations published in this Premium Book and the following Special Rules.
- 2. Admissions: Regular** gate admission charges for other than contestants and helpers will apply. Advance purchase tickets are available from the Agriculture Office at a reduced price. Please call the Agriculture Department at 413-205-5011 to order. Before exiting from any gate, contestants must ask gateman for hand stamp to ensure return privilege on the same day.
- 3. FPE Rules: Rules** governing Pulling Contests adopted by the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture Resources, Division of Fairs dated February 2025, are the conditions of entry at this Fair. Strict compliance of these rules will be enforced.
- 4. Testing:** Contestants may be subject to breathalyzer testing.
- 5. American Style Pull:** Official Ox Pull shall be a continuous forward movement of six feet. Official Horse Pull will be continuous forward movement of twelve feet. Rosettes will be awarded to entries placing in the money.
- 6. Mandatory Compliance:** Further, by signing hereon, contestant stipulates that they will not administer, or permit to be administered to any animal for which they have any authority or interest in, either as owner or partner or agent, any DRUGS, STIMULANTS, INJECTIONS, DOPE, CLUBBING, GOADING, ABUSE, UNNATURAL OR INHUMANE OR UNETHICAL DRINKING OR FEEDING PRACTICES. The superintendent and/or show management at any time and for any reason may examine, test, inspect, cause to be examined, tested or inspected and/or otherwise promulgate the enforcement of the spirit and the letter of this regulation, whenever and however it may be deemed expedient; and the least objection, reluctance, discourtesy, ridicule, defiance or refusal to permit any animal to be submitted to such tests or examinations or inspections promptly shall be sufficient cause for immediate disqualification of all entries owned by such violator of this regulation and permanent expulsion from any and all future livestock shows or contests at this Fair; additionally the information concerning the perpetration of violation of this rule shall be disseminated to all fair associations and the Departments of Agriculture of each New England state and New York. Complete satisfaction by ESE Fair Management that this regulation has been adhered to throughout all the contests or that any alleged and/or proven violation has been completely resolved in a manner satisfactory to it and to its superintendent shall be the first prerequisite to the continuation of pulling contests at this Fair.
- 7.** To move up a class you must have a fresh horse, one that has not pulled prior to that class at this event.
- 8.** All oxen must have an RFID tag and have a current valid CVI. No exceptions.