

LIVESTOCK RULES and REGULATIONS

NO  FOOD OR DRINK PERMITTED IN ANIMAL AREAS

NO  SMOKING IN ANIMAL AREAS

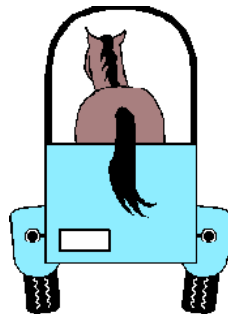
***** Registration is a requirement for All Departments*****

**REGISTRATION FORM DEADLINE
NOON, October 19th, 2023**

**MAIL TO:
SUMTER COUNTY FAIR
POST OFFICE BOX 765
SUMTER, S.C. 29151-0765**

[REGISTRATION FORM](#) *(click here)*

[ENTRY RULES](#) *(click here)*



LIVESTOCK PARKING & LOADING INSTRUCTIONS



Cattle, swine and larger animals (such as cow/calf, mare and colt) will be unloaded at the cattle and swine barn on the west side of the grounds.

Pigeons, poultry, and smaller animals (such as foxes, puppies, etc.) will be unloaded and housed in the poultry barn on the east side of the grounds.

- ❖ **Immediately** upon unloading, farm trucks and vehicles will be removed from the fairgrounds and surrounding vicinity. Parking is at a premium during Fair Week.

Decisions made by livestock Superintendent or Ring Master is final.

- There will be a meeting of **All Livestock Exhibitors** at 6:00 PM on Monday, October 16th, 2023 at the cattle barn.
- All Junior livestock shows are open to Junior Exhibitors under 19 years of age from the 4 county area of Sumter, Lee, Clarendon, & Kershaw **only**.
- All standard recognized breeds are eligible.
- Under no circumstances will livestock trailers be left in the barn area or alleyways. Trailers must be returned to the farm, as parking is limited.
- No tables, barn tools or other obstacles will be allowed in the aisles.
- No washing or grooming of animals is permitted during show times.
- Animals not entered in the show will not be allowed on the fairgrounds unless permission is obtained from the Show Manager prior to the show.
- Exhibits will be removed Sunday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Large livestock may be released at 6:00 AM on Sunday. Exceptions will be granted in the event of extreme emergency and then only by permission of the management.
- Classes may be limited or canceled at the discretion of the Superintendent or the Ring Master.

- Show Officials reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto or connected with any incident to the show.
- All exhibitors will be under the control and direction of the Superintendent, but the Fair Association will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any loss, injury or damage done by or arising from any animal he or she may exhibit.
- Premium Checks will only be issued to the individual winner that is the person that actually shows the animal.

HEALTH and OWNERSHIP

- All livestock shown must meet requirements as indicated by the Department and be free and clear of disease with health permits and inspection applications on file with Clemson University Health and Diagnostic Lab, Columbia, SC
- All South Carolina Health Requirements must be met prior to unloading animals. Registration Certificates and Health papers will be checked as Cattle are unloaded and tied in the barn. All animals must have been tested for TB within 30 days of the show.
- The Show Committee reserves the right to request inspection and/or removal of unhealthy or unmanageable animals.
- Veterinarian permits will be required for all livestock and animals.
- All junior exhibitors or family must own their animal(s) by August 1, 2021. If questions arise, purchase receipts or registration papers may be reviewed.
- Certificates of registration must be presented to the Superintendent upon arrival at the fairgrounds which prove the exhibitor to be the owner when the entry was made.
- Any Exhibitor entering an animal in any name other than the bona fide owner or owners, or showing an animal in a class for which it is not eligible may, at the discretion of the manager, be barred from further showing and any or all premiums previously awarded may be forfeited.
- Individuals in Breed Shows must have registration papers properly recorded on all animals shown

CARE and FEEDING

PEN SPACE MUST BE RESERVED IN ADVANCE

- Exhibitors must provide their own water and feed and maintain their exhibits daily, keeping space and stalls clean. Care and feeding must meet Clemson Standards.
- The Fair provides limited bedding. Feeding and watering can be arranged with the barn superintendent at **\$25.00** per head per day.
- All stalls **must be labeled** with **owners name and type/breed of animal.**
- **Three Barn Exhibitor Awards** will be given to the individuals for Best-kept stalls, and best rapport with the public during the Fair Week. The awards will be presented after the Horse Show on Saturday.

BEEF CATTLE

- Exhibitors are limited to **Two (2)** animals per class, and a **Total of Twelve (12)** Animals per Show by farm or individual.
- Beef steers regardless of breed or crossbreed, will show by class and approximate weights as listed.
- Registration papers are required on all purebred cattle, except steers. Crossbreeds must be in the name of the individual showing. All junior exhibitors must own their animal(s) by August 1, 2023. If questions arise, purchase receipts or registration papers will be checked.
- Cattle may be placed in the barns on Saturday and Sunday. All entries must be in place no later than 6:00 PM on Monday.
- All steers entered must be castrated at least 90 days prior to the Fair.
Junior members are encouraged to wear appropriate clothing

SWINE

- All breeder swine must be in place by 12:00 Noon on Monday and by 4:00 PM Friday for swine to be entered in the Market Show
- **Health Regulations for Purebred Show are as follows:**
Swine are required to be inspected on the farm of origin by a veterinarian prior to shipment and receive a health certificate, which must accompany the animals to the Fair.

- All swine must have a negative test for Brucellosis within sixty (60) days of Fair date, or be from a validated Brucellosis Free Herd.
- All swine must have a negative blood test for Pseudorabies within sixty (60) days of Fair date, or be from a validated Pseudorabies Free Herd.
- It will be the responsibility of individual breeders to vacate and clean pens by 12:00 noon on Friday for all Monday exhibits.
- All swine for the Market Show must make weight requirements upon entry.
- Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries per class, one (1) entry per group class, and a **Total of Five (5)** animals in the show (exception is feeder class pens)
- All swine are subject to health inspection upon entry, and may be refused if questionable.
- All Junior Swine Exhibitors are eligible to enter Showmanship. You must have swine registered in the show to enter.
- All Barrows entered must have been castrated at least ninety (90) days prior to Fair.
- Junior members are encouraged to wear appropriate clothing during showing
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EQUINE

NO STALLIONS ALLOWED

- All animals must meet the following health requirements as prescribed by section 47-13-1310 through 1400 of the code of laws of South Carolina which states:

The owner, operator or person in charge of such shows, fairs, organized trail rides, rodeos, organized sales and other public places where horses are assembled shall require that each animal be accompanied by an official certificate showing that it has be negative to an approved test for equine infectious anemia within one year.
- Owners agree to assume any and all risks to Equine while on exhibit at the Fair in case of accident or injury.

- Youth who are pre-registered with a riding stable or trainer who uses a regular horse for riding may exhibit if approved by the livestock superintendent.
- All entries must be pre-registered due to stall space available (one animal per 12'x12' stall). Call the Superintendent or Assistant no later than August 1st.
- Mules, Horses, Ponies and all other Equine to be exhibited should be brought to the fairgrounds on Sunday afternoon of the beginning of the Fair and are expected to remain on exhibit throughout the entire week of the Fair until the following Sunday morning.
- The Fair management reserves the right to strictly enforce all rules and regulations in the interest of safety to the general public and in conducting a creditable Equine exhibit and show.
- No Riding of animals inside the barn permitted except during their designated show times.
- Divisions and ages:
 - Junior Division: Boys and Girls...13 & under
 - Senior Division: Boys and Girls...14-18 years old
 - Open Division: Adults...Over 18 years old
- Height Classifications are as follows:
 - Ponies.....under 58 inches
 - Horses.....58 inches and over
 - Miniature Horses cannot show in Pony classes.
- Animals must have been owned for not less than 60 days.

NOTICE

**WASH HANDS
BEFORE HANDLING
OR EATING FOOD**