

2019 GENERAL EQUINE INFORMATION, RULES & REGULATIONS

WELCOME!



The Nebraska State Fair Board welcomes you to the 150th Nebraska State Fair, and encourages your participation in the 2019 competitions.

The State Fair management team looks forward to hosting you and your exhibits at the Nebraska State Fair while you enjoy your stay in Grand Island.

ENTRY DEADLINE

Monday, July 15, 2019: Draft Horses
Thursday, August 1, 2019: All Other Horse Shows

***Late entries will be accepted at the Horse Show Manager and Horse Show Superintendents discretion or until the barn is full.**

ENTRY REGULATIONS

1. For 2019, the Nebraska State Fair will be accepting online entries for all horse shows. For information on entering go to: statefair.org. Go to Competitions, click on Equine. Entries are to be made online. A late fee of \$50.00 per horse will apply to all entries postmarked after August 1, 2019.
2. All entries must be filed with the Horse Show Office no later than the date and time specified in the Premium Books.
3. Anything that has been erroneously entered may, at the discretion of the Manager and the Superintendent of the Department, be transferred to the proper class. If such classes have been judged, they shall not be re-judged.
4. Should any individual enter an animal or article in a name other than that of a bona fide owner, or attempt to perpetuate a fraud by misrepresenting any fact, the entry thus made shall not be allowed to compete for, or receive any award, and the owner shall be barred from this show until reinstated.
5. When not otherwise stipulated, entries and competition are open to the public.
6. In case of dispute as to the age of an animal exhibited, its certificate of registry shall be required for evidence of its age, and its owner shall be required to file an affidavit that it is the identical animal therein described.
7. Animals owned in partnership may be entered in all classes of the Fair in one owner's name. A separate entry form must be completed for each breed or department, and all entries and entry fees shall be according to Open Class rules and regulations.
8. After the closing date of entries, all post entries may be made until one hour prior to the scheduled start of the session with a late fee of \$50.00 per horse.
9. Unless otherwise noted in the Premium Book, no entries will be accepted if the entry has not met the above deadlines.
10. Youth age refers to age as of January 1 of the current year.
11. The age of each animal shall be computed by the calendar year, starting on January 1 of the year foaled.
12. Substitution of animals is not allowed, except when the original entered animal is sick or injured. A veterinarian's certification (on veterinarian's letterhead) must accompany the request for substitution. In lieu of substitution, upon receipt of a veterinarian's certification that an animal is ill or injured, entry fees, but not stall fees will be refunded. The substitution regulation may be waived at the discretion of the Horse Show Manager.

13. If an exhibitor is incapacitated as a result of illness or injury, entry fees, but not stall fees, will be refunded. A medical doctor's certification (on doctor's letterhead) of the illness/injury must accompany the refund request.

EQUINE DEPARTMENT GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. The [Nebraska State Fair General Livestock Information, Rules & Regulations](#) apply to this and every department as well as those rules listed below and in specific breed sections, i.e. Draft Horse, Appaloosa, etc.
2. All equine exhibitors, owners and trainers must read and meet all Equine Health Requirements before entering the Nebraska State Fairgrounds. See [2019 Equine & Equine Event Livestock Health Requirements](#).
3. The Nebraska State Fair management reserves to its Board of Directors the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily to settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the fair.
4. While the greatest possible care will be exercised by the management to provide a safe environment, we are not responsible for any personal injury.
5. The Nebraska State Fair management assumes no liability for loss or damage to any property of the concessionaire, exhibitor or patron, due to theft, fire, tornado, weather conditions, or other causes.
6. By order of the State Fire Marshal, and to safeguard exhibitors and livestock, smoking/vaping is prohibited in ALL barns. We ask all exhibitors and guests to cooperate with us in enforcing this rule.
7. By order of the State Fire Marshal, the use of flammable and combustible grooming sprays inside the barns is strictly forbidden. These types of materials must be used outside of the buildings only.
8. All exhibitors are bound by the most current edition of Nebraska State Fair Park Space Rental Rules and Regulations. A copy may be obtained in the Administration Office in the Nebraska Building. For purposes of these rules and regulations, all exhibitors are considered to be lessees.
9. To remove livestock or other articles being exhibited before the time of release, written permission must be obtained from the Department Superintendent. In the event of conflict of general and special rules, the latter will govern. Penalties and Suspension for leaving early is at the discretion of the Livestock Division Director, Horse Show Superintendent and Horse Show Manager.
10. The Nebraska State Fair will impose all rules of the [IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics](#). Any violation of the Code of Show Ring Ethics will result in forfeiture of all premiums, awards, and auction proceeds. Any owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or responsible persons found to have violated the Code of Show Ring Ethics shall be prohibited from future exhibition at the Nebraska State Fair.

JUDGES & JUDGING

1. No person shall be permitted to judge a class in which he/she may be competing for an award, or have an ownership of any animal or article entered in such class.
2. If any exhibitor interferes with the judges in the performance of their duties, by letter, act, or otherwise, he/she shall be excused from competition and exhibition for such period of time as the Executive Board may determine, and shall forfeit any awards received at this Fair. Any person, not an exhibitor, who interferes with the judges in any manner, during the performance of their duties, shall be asked to leave the judging area.

LOTTERY

No lottery or raffle shall be conducted at Nebraska State Fair Park without the written authority of the Nebraska State Fair Board.

CAMPGROUND

For camping information and contacts please see the General Rules Campground Fees.
Campers & Trailers (full hook-up) \$33.00 + tax (per day)

CREDENTIALS

Please refer to your specific breed premium book that can be found online concerning the requirements list of documentation per your specific breed. If you have any questions concerning required breed or exhibitor documentation, please contact your breed superintendent directly.

Pending registrations will be accepted only for foals of the current year if breed association rules permit.

REGISTRATION PAPERS

No animal may be entered or exhibited as purebred unless the same has been recorded in the recognized books of record for the respective breed.

POLICY ON NEW BREEDS

No new equine breed shall be considered for showing as a class until such breed has been on exhibit at the Nebraska State Fair for the previous two (2) years and has five (5) or more exhibitors with at least thirty head of horses.

PARKING

1. Designated livestock parking areas will require a permit to enter. This permit must be requested on the entry form and is for the sole use of the exhibitor. Parking permits are \$25.00 per vehicle for Draft Horse exhibitors and \$15.00 for Light Horse exhibitors. All vehicles must have an exhibitor Parking Pass. Parking passes are good for the entire run of the fair. Also, an Exhibitor Ticket or Wristband for every occupant of the vehicle will be required to enter the fairgrounds. NO Exceptions.
2. All vehicles are required to park in places designated by the Fair Management. The Fair Management assumes no obligation, and no liability, for any theft or damage that may occur to the vehicle or its contents. No vehicles will be allowed to park for the sole purpose of advertising.
3. All trucks (1/2 ton or larger) and stock trailers, will be required, immediately after unloading, to park in designated areas.

TICKET POLICY

BADGE/WRISTBAND – A wristband will be required for entry onto the grounds at the 2019 Nebraska State Fair. This wristband will allow entrance to the fairgrounds for the duration of the Fair. With the purchase of each wristband, you will also receive a livestock exhibitor 150th Fairabration collector badge. The wristband may be purchased for \$25.00 with entries. If wristband is lost, you will be required to purchase a replacement. These wristbands/badges are for the sole use of the exhibitor. Additional \$25.00 wristbands may be purchased at the Check-In Trailer. A limited number of 150th Commemorative Badges will be available for purchase in the Check-In Trailer.

Re-admission to the grounds on the same day for those purchasing daily admission tickets is offered via a hand stamp at all exit gates. NO REFUNDS will be given on admission tickets. Those with wristbands will not need a stamp.

AUXILIARY VEHICLES

For information regarding auxiliary vehicles, please see the [General Livestock Information, Rules & Regulations](#).

FEED/BEDDING

All Feed and Bedding needs will be handled by Mid-Nebraska Feeds, which is the local Purina dealer.

Hay, bedding and/or feed will be available.

You can pre-order feed and bedding on the Feed and Bedding Order Form that will print out with your entry form or by contacting Mid-Nebraska Feeds at 308-382-3048.

STALLS

1. Except as otherwise noted, each animal must have a stall. If available, a box stall for tack may be rented for the fee listed on the entry form, or exhibitors may rent an enclosed tack stall. (NOTICE - R Barn is the only barn with enclosed tack stalls). All stalls have doors.
2. Entries and stall reservations must be completed by August 1, 2019 for all breeds of horses. Stall assignments will be completed upon receipt of Entry Forms. Late Entry stalling will be assigned by management based on available space.
3. There will be no refund of stall fees, unless authorized by Horse Show Manager. Except for a mare and her unweaned foal(s), all animals occupying stalls must be entered for competition and shown in the arena in their respective class(es). In the case of a mare and her unweaned foal(s), either the mare or the foal must be entered for competition and shown in the arena in their respective class(es).
4. **Please Note**...If you do need to arrive earlier or later than these posted times please call Terry Pierce (Draft Horses) 402-980-0715 or Les Zadina (All Other Breeds) 308-289-6511 to see if arrangements can be made to fit your needs.

PROTESTS

All formal protests must be submitted in writing to the State Fair Horse Show Office Manager, be signed by the protestor(s), and be accompanied by a monetary fee of \$100.00, cash or certified check. Such written protests must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be filed with the State Fair Horse Show Office Manager immediately upon the occasion for the protest. No complaint or appeal based solely upon the statement that a judge is incompetent will be considered by Management.

Where a protest is to be made against the competition of an animal or article in any class, notice of same must be filed with the Department Superintendent before the class is judged or immediately after the conclusion of class judging.

Once an animal/exhibit reaches championship judging, NO protests will be accepted.

LOAD IN-LOAD OUT

Load in/Load out for all Draft Horses will be through Gate 3 off of Stolley Park Rd. The Draft Horses will NOT proceed through the Equine Check In Trailer but come directly to Gate 3.

All other Breeds and any equines coming onto the grounds for demonstrations or exhibition will first go to the Equine Check In Trailer which is located on Stuhr Road, and then proceed through Gate 8/9, which is located across the road. **No Exceptions!**

AWARDS

1. Where there are fewer entries in a class than the number of premiums offered, the judges may, at their discretion, award a prize or prizes of such grade as the exhibit merits. Unworthy exhibit: judges shall not award a prize to an unworthy exhibit. It is the intention of Fair management that no premium or distinction of any kind shall be given to any exhibit that is not deserving.
2. An individual exhibitor may enter unlimited animals in any individual class but shall not be awarded more than two premiums from the individual class. Where there is but one exhibitor in a class there will be only one premium awarded. Provided there are competing exhibitors (two or more) in a class, all placings and premiums may be awarded, except as noted in special department policies.
3. Payment of awards will be made within sixty (60) days after the last day of the Fair. NO AWARD CHECK WILL BE ISSUED BY THE NEBRASKA STATE FAIR FOR LESS THAN \$2.00.
4. The Nebraska State Fair will not be held liable for any award or premium offered by an individual or company, separate from the Nebraska State Fair, should that individual or company fail to provide the offered award or premium.
5. Not all departments will award all ribbon places.

ARENAS

Thompson Foods Open Air and Thompson Foods 4H Arenas will be open one (1) hour prior to start of show.

SOLICITATION

All advertising and/or distribution of advertising materials, tracts, pamphlets, etc. must be confined to a leased location.

SHOW RESULTS

Please check show results <http://www.statefair.org>

No results will be given by phone.

Check our website <http://www.statefair.org> for directions and a map of the State Fair.

***THANK YOU FOR COMING TO THE
2019 NEBRASKA STATE FAIR!!***



NEBRASKA STATE FAIR – HORSE SHOW EMERGENCY MEDICAL PLAN

I EMT availability and location/s:

II. How to reach EMT on the fairgrounds: 9 911

III. EMT will be available to rapidly respond with emergency equipment to any location on the fair grounds.

IV. EMT will receive a copy of this emergency medical plan.

V. This plan will be posted in the show office and will be given to all horse show employees to review and sign.

VI. THE PLAN ASSIGNMENTS:

1. The horse show manager will designate the following horse show staff to handle the emergency duties.

a. Announcer: Keep the situation calm and give instructions if needed.

b. Person in charge of calling show office to call 911.

c. Person in charge of emergency until arrival of EMT

d. Person in show office who will call 911, clear affected area, and meet EMT unit.

VII. THE PLAN:

1. When there is an emergency which warrants an EMT unit, the designated horse show staff member will notify the horse show office immediately to call 911.

2. The designated office personnel will immediately call 911, instructing the EMT unit to approach the area with no sirens or flashing lights.

3. The designated horse show personnel will clear the way for the arriving EMT unit and will follow this procedure.

a. Ask announcer to advise spectators and others to stay calm and stay clear of the emergency area. Let experienced horsemen handle the situation until the EMT unit arrives.

b. As soon as it is safe, the arena and surrounding area should be cleared.

c. The designated staff member will take charge of the accident scene until the EMT unit arrives, at which time the EMT unit will take over.

d. This staff member will provide immediate assistance, determine the need for additional medical assistance, and oversee the scene to provide safe entry/exit of the emergency unit.

e. The staff member will assume First Responder duties to the extent of their knowledge.

f. EMT Responsibilities:

-Provide immediate assistance

-Determine need for additional medical assistance, e.g. ambulance

-Coordinate with 911 for the needed responders

g. The staff member in charge should determine if there is a need for veterinary services. If needed, a veterinarian should be called.

h. Show office personnel should determine if supplies such as blankets, pillows, tarps, etc. are needed and take them to the accident site. The aforementioned items should be kept in a kit in the show office

i. Fair management is to secure only trained EMT's that are licensed for pre-hospital trauma care, certified in Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS), Basic Trauma Life Support (BTLS) or is a First Responder who is comparably certified.

j. Following the incident, a complete report will be filed with the State Fair Management

Horse Show Superintendent _____

Livestock Division Director _____

Fair Executive Director _____