

GENERAL RULES

JUDGING WILL BE THE AMERICAN SYSTEM

Note: If you have any item or animal that you wish to enter and can not find a class please bring it and we will find a class for it.

1. Exhibitors of livestock must notify the secretary by letter, phone or personally in advance of the fair, of the number of entries they will make and the number of stalls required.
2. Persons making entry by letter, if the entry is livestock, must give the name and address of the owner and the class and lot in which they wish to enter. When making entries list your name on each entry blank.

PREPARATION AND ENTERING

At 4:00-8:00 P.M. Friday, July 15, the superintendents and assistants will be on hand to receive entries in all departments. Entries must be in place by 9:00 A.M. Saturday, July 16.

All Open Class Exhibitors must receive official I.D. Number from Floral Hall before entering any class.

Livestock Exhibitors can get open class number at the Fair Office.

3. The Fair will be open to the public Saturday morning and close at 10:00 P.M. Tuesday, July 19.
4. Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, July 15 and 16, will be entry days for all exhibits.
5. Entries in all classes in Floral Hall will close at 9:00 A.M.
6. All exhibitors of livestock except horses must have their animals in place by Friday, July 15, at 6:00 P.M. and must not take them away from the Fairgrounds before 8:00 P.M. Tuesday, July 19, without the permission of the superintendent or unless stated elsewhere in the rules.
 - a. Horses do not need to be stalled in the horse barn during the duration of the fair.
 - b. Horses will be released to go home at NOON on Tuesday.
7. Exhibitors in Floral Hall must have their exhibits in place by 9:00 A.M. Saturday, July 16, and leave them there until the close of the fair, unless earlier removal is permitted by the superintendent.
8. No animal or article will be assigned a place on the grounds until the entries have been completed as above.
9. Any person who shall knowingly and/or willingly misrepresent any exhibit or furnish any fair association a false pedigree of livestock shall upon conviction thereof be fined a sum not less than fifty dollars (\$50) not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or imprisoned in the county jail not less than three months nor more than twelve months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. (State Statute 2-138, Kansas Laws on Fairs.)
10. There will be no commission charged to the 4-Hers. Direct Miscellaneous costs will be charged back to the 4-Hers, ex. trucking, check off, etc.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

11. Articles which are the products of the soil must be entered in the name of the same.
12. Non-competing commercial livestock must pay exhibit fee.
13. Every animal must be entered for competition by the owner or his agent.
14. If the entry be machinery, implements, etc., the applicant must give the name and address of the patentee, and designation of the article.
15. Articles which are the result of mechanical or artistic skill must be entered by the artist or manufacturer.
16. No person except the officers of the Fair Association shall see or be informed of the number or kind of entries.
17. All entries will be made on official entry blanks.

PREMIUMS

18. Premiums will be designated as follows: First premium - blue ribbon; Second premium - red ribbon; Third premium - white ribbon.
19. No animal or article deemed unworthy shall be awarded a premium and in such case the judges shall decide whether the animal or article is entitled to an award and shall also declare the grade of same, and where there is no competition, premiums shall be awarded on merit and may be awarded first, second or third premium.
20. No exhibit can be shown in more than one class.
21. Even if there is no competition other than his own in an animal class, an exhibitor may receive regular premiums if they are merited.
22. All premiums awarded will be paid as in premium list, provided the receipts are sufficient to pay in full; and if not, premiums will be pro-rated.
23. THE PREMIUM CHECKS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN FLORAL HALL FROM 8-9 P.M. TUESDAY. EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED TO CASH THEIR PREMIUM CHECKS AS SOON AS RECEIVED. **CHECKS WILL BE VOID AFTER 90 DAYS.**

JUDGING

24. Qualified judges, whose decisions will be final, will place all awards.
25. No person will be allowed in the livestock ring when the judging is being done; except the judge, the superintendent of the class, ringmaster, county agent, designated assistants and the exhibitor. In every department the judge and his assistants must be left by themselves, and in no way interfered with, while the judging and awarding of premiums is being done. Noncompliance is grounds for forfeiture of all premiums and recognition of exhibitors.
26. Protests against an award must be filed in writing with the secretary by noon of the following day after the award was made, and will be considered and determined that same date by the Executive Committee.
27. All protests will be determined by the Executive Committee accompanied by an affidavit setting forth the grounds for protesting. To avoid ill-considered and ill-advised complaints, a deposit of \$10.00 must accompany every protest which shall be forfeited to the Association if the protest is found not to be justified.

EXHIBITS RELEASED

28. Exhibits will be released on Tuesday, July 19, from 7:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. If this time is not convenient, please make other arrangements with the Extension Office Staff. Open Class Entries need to make arrangements with the superintendent. After 9:00 P.M., 4-H Exhibits will be at the Extension Office and can be claimed Friday. Open Class Exhibits can be picked up at the fair office on Friday.

LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE

29. Every animal and article upon the grounds shall be under the general control of Marshall County Fair Association, its officers and members, during the fair. Every precaution will be taken for safekeeping of the same. The Association's officers & members will not be responsible for any loss, damage, accident, injury, or death from any cause, while exhibitors or their property are on the fairgrounds, exhibiting or attending the fair and fair activities. Under Kansas law, there is no liability for an injury to or the death of a participant in domestic animal activities resulting from the inherent risks of domestic animal activities. You are assuming the risk of participating in this domestic animal activity. S.S.A. 604001 through 60-4004. Due diligence will be used by officers of the Association to safeguard and prevent injury to persons; but the Association will not be responsible for accidents or injury which may happen to such persons through their own carelessness or disregard for the rules and orders of the Association and its officers.

****THERE IS NO STORM SHELTER AVAILABLE ON THE FAIRGROUNDS****

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL

30. The Executive Committee shall have charge and control of the fair grounds during the week of the fair and shall be the Supreme Authority in the conduct of the Fair. The superintendents shall be in full control of departments over which they have been appointed and commissioned subject only to the supervision of the Executive Committee.

31. When the specific rules governing any department conflict with the general rules, the specific rules shall take precedence.
32. The fair association reserves to itself the sole and absolute right to make the rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all disputes and differences in regard thereto.

FAIR PARKING REGULATIONS

33. Areas for parking campers, trailers, trucks, etc. will be designated. Fire lanes, emergency routes and loading zones will be enforced. Signs will be posted. No parking will be allowed between livestock barns, and in the show arena, along the north side of the horse and sheep barns to allow for emergency vehicles and loading/unloading. Non complying vehicles will be towed at owner's expense. Trailer parking areas, camping and or stock trailer parking areas, will be designated. **Camping updated hookups are available, must have parking permit prior to parking. Fees must be paid in advance, \$15 per day. Cooperation of everyone is requested.**

STALL AND PENS

34. All cattle and horse stalls are double stalls, capable of holding two head in most cases. Pens for swine & sheep are 6x8 ft. Stalls and pens are to be bedded with wood shavings or sand ONLY. No Straw! Wood chips can be purchased on the fair grounds or you can provide your own. Exhibitors are to keep their pens, aisles and surrounding areas of the barns clean and presentable. Barn superintendent will check pens and stalls before dismissal. A fee of \$10 will be deducted from livestock sale checks for every pen or stall left unclean at close of Fair.

LIVESTOCK

35. In the animal classes, duplicate entries will be received; that is, an owner can try for certain awards with two or more Suitable animals.
36. In animal classes, inclusive entries will be received; that is, animals may compete for prizes as singles and again as part of a group.
37. First premium exhibits in the various classes are in line to compete in their respective class for a sweepstake or champion.
38. Exhibitors of livestock will be required to keep their stalls open and their stock uncovered during the Fair, keep their stalls, alleyway and surrounding areas clean.
39. All animals must be identified individually by tattoo, ear tag, or ear notch for swine.
40. All animals exhibited must be properly immunized against any contagious diseases which might be commonly encountered when animals of different origins are collected together. Exhibitors should seek recommendations for such immunizations from their local veterinarian. If the livestock becomes diseased after entry, then such stock shall be removed.
41. Any injections during the fair MUST be administered by the Official Fair Veterinarian.
42. All animals shall be free of clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease. All animals are subject to examination by the official fair veterinarian or officials of the Kansas Animal Health Dept. Official veterinarian will follow the recommended State of Kansas Animal Health Department recommendations.
43. Any animal shown in 4-H or FFA cannot be shown again in open class. Additional animals will need to be brought in for the open class entries.
44. Any exhibitor, who is found to have tampered with, or who inhumanely abuses an animal, or enters an exhibit that is not eligible or does not abide by Marshall County Fair Rules, will be barred from showing and the Livestock Sale, and must forfeit any premium, ribbon, or prize won. All grievances should be turned into the Fair Office in writing and signed by the complainant within 3 days.
45. All open class animals will pay an entry fee of (\$1.50) to compete for prize money. Open class animals exhibited by 4-H/FFA members will not be required to pay pen rent. No stock will be judged until entry fee is paid.

SWINE

45. Marshall County Fair is now a NON Terminal swine show!

SHEEP

46. Breeding ewes must be identified with official USDA premise ID tag.

HORSES

47. Horses originating in Kansas must meet the general requirements.

48. Foals, six months of age and younger, accompanying their dams, are exempt from EIA test requirements.

LIVESTOCK ORIGINATING FROM OTHER STATES

Contact the Marshall County Extension office at 785-562-3531 for current health requirements. Kansas Animal Health Department guidelines will be followed.