

Lincoln County Fair & Rodeo General Rules

The Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board and Lincoln County Fair Office management will take every precaution, in its power, for the safe preservation of all livestock and articles on exhibited and all property of every character entered for competition or display and subjected to the control of the Fair Advisory Board and Fair management.

The Fair Advisory Board or Office management will not be responsible for any loss of, damage of, or injury of any character to any such property while same is on the Fairgrounds or at any time or place.

Property owners or others interested in protection against loss, damage or injury from fire or other causes must make their own arrangements with their insurance agents

The Fair Advisory Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations to settle all controversial incidents during the Fair.

No firearms allowed on the Fairgrounds without the written approval from the Fair Advisory Board

No illegal use of drugs or alcohol on the Fairgrounds.

No skateboards or scooters allowed on the Fairgrounds.

No "For Sale" signs permitted on any exhibit at the Lincoln County Fair.

No person, unless contracted by Lincoln County Fair, will be permitted to distribute advertising matter upon the grounds, except from their place of business or exhibit space.

- The tacking or posting of any bills, advertisements, etc. . . ., other than within the space occupied by exhibits, is strictly prohibited
- Begging, soliciting, singing or public speaking are positively prohibited.
- No distribution of handbills, fliers and heralds will not, under any circumstances, be permitted.
- Golf carts or ATVs are not allowed on the Fairgrounds by non Fair Board members or unauthorized personnel.
- All Fair participants must conduct themselves as responsible citizens.
- Any misconduct or unlawful acts on the part of exhibitors, patrons, or leaders will be grounds for suspension of that person from participating in the Lincoln County Fair & Rodeo.
- In the event of misconduct on the part of any citizen involved in the Lincoln County Fair & Rodeo, the Fair Advisory Board and the department superintendent will rule on the suspension.
- Any person or persons suspended from the Fair will forfeit all ribbons and premium monies and will immediately leave the fairgrounds.
- Inappropriate action by parents such as yelling and cursing at Fair officials, Fair personnel, or department superintendents will not be tolerated.
- Any inappropriate actions by parents will be immediately reported to the Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board.

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Exhibitors

The Lincoln County Fair & Rodeo is open to all exhibitors.

4-H and FFA entries have been expanded to include members outside of Lincoln County.

Exhibitors shall, at all times, give the necessary care attention to all their exhibits while at the Lincoln County Fair.

All exhibitors, including clubs and organizations will be assigned an exhibitor number.

Exhibitors can check with the Fair Office or department superintendents for assigned exhibitor number.

August 21st.

August 2nd.

Judging

- All Open, 4-H and FFA exhibits will be judged on the Danish Award system:
 - exhibits will be judged against a standard achievement and not against each other.
 - all may earn blue, red or white ribbons.
- All Booths/Displays, livestock and horses will be judged on the American Standard System:
 - competitive among exhibitors in section or class.
 - only one first, second, third place will be awarded to exhibitors section or class.
- Judges will award ribbons only to worthy exhibits, regardless of number of entries in that division, class, section or lot.
- The decision of the judge is final; there will be no changing of ribbons by anyone after judging is completed.
- If there should be any questions as to the regularity of entries in any class, the judges shall report to the department superintendent for any necessary adjustments.
- Any exhibitor has the right to dispute any judging irregularities to the department superintendent who will report the dispute to the Fair Advisory Board.

Still Life Exhibits

1. Check in all exhibits with the department superintendent on August 21st.
2. Floral and Baking exhibits have specific times for the morning of August 22nd, see these two departments rules for more information.
3. All exhibits must be in place by 8 pm on August 21st.
4. Late entries may be displayed but will not be judged.
5. No exhibits will be removed until 9 am Sunday, August 25th.
6. Exhibits removed early will result in the forfeit of premium payment.
7. Exhibits displayed in the Booth department are ineligible to compete in individual classes.
8. Department superintendents have the authority to refuse any exhibit that is unworthy to be exhibited because of quality standards.
9. Exhibits not picked up on Sunday, August 25th by 3 pm, may be picked up at the Fair Office on Monday, August 26th from 8 am - 4 pm.

Livestock and Small Animal Exhibits

1. ENTRY FEE AMOUNTS:
\$15.00 per head for beef, horses, swine, sheep & goats.
\$5.00 per head, up to 4 for poultry, rabbits & cavies- additional entries, no charge.
2. All entries are due by August 2nd to the Fair Office or online with ShoWorks.
3. All animals need to be in their designated areas by 9 pm on August 21st.
4. Department superintendents have the authority to refuse any exhibit that is unworthy to be exhibited because of quality standards.
5. All exhibits must be in place by 8 pm on August 21st.
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7. For further information for livestock exhibitors see the Lincoln County Fair & Rodeo Livestock Rules.

Inappropriate Behavior

1. Any inappropriate behavior by parents or exhibitors will not be tolerated and will be reported to and by the Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board.
2. Designated Fair Board members, appointed by the Fair Advisory Board President, will meet with the complainant and parents/guardians, if complainant is a minor, to hear their side of the incident.
3. The designated Fair Board members can take one of two courses
 - a. the offending party can be given a verbal warning
 - b. the offending party can be asked to leave the Fairgrounds.
4. Inappropriate behavior may also cause the parent(s) or exhibitors to lose the privilege of attending future Fairs.
5. The decision of the designated Fair Board members will be final.

Ribbons and Premium Points

1. Only blue ribbon exhibits will be eligible for Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, and Best of Show.
2. Grand Champion, Reserve Champion and Best of Show ribbons will only be awarded if there are at least 5 exhibits in each section or lot.
3. One County Commissioners' Award Ribbon will be allowed per department and no points will be awarded.
4. No premiums will be paid on any exhibit not properly listed on an exhibitor form, including correct department, division, class as well as section and lot,
5. Premiums will be paid for blue, red, and white ribbons for 4-H, FFA, and Open, except where otherwise designated.
6. Adult white ribbons will not receive premium money.
7. For Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, and Best of Show Ribbons, points will not be paid for the blue ribbon accompanying these ribbons.
8. Additional special awards may be awarded by department superintendents but no points will be awarded for these awards.
9. All premium checks must be cashed within 30 days of presentation.
10. Please notify Fair Office if you would like to donate your premium money back to Fair.

Written Protests

1. Written protest or decisions made during the course of the Fair and of exhibitor's actions shall be submitted to the Fair Board whose decision will be final.
2. All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$50.00 which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained.
3. Such protests must state plainly the cause of complaint of appeal and must be delivered to the Fair Board President within 24 hours after the cause of the protest.
4. Formal protests will be answered in writing, by the Fair Board, within 60 days of the date of filing

Liability Disclaimer

1. Exhibitors shall at all times give the necessary care and attention to whatever they have on exhibit. At the close of the fair, exhibitors must take entire charge of and remove their property promptly.
2. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury, or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from any animal exhibited by him/her, and shall absolve the Fair Advisory Board of all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.
3. The Fair Advisory Board will take every precaution in its power for the safe preservation of all stock and articles exhibited, and all property of every character on display for any other purpose or being anywhere on the grounds shall be subject to the control of the management.
4. In no way will the Fair Advisory Board be responsible for any loss or damage or injury of any character to any such property while the same is on the grounds. If any others interested in the property desire protection against loss, damage, or injury from fire or any other cause, they must make their own arrangements accordingly.
5. No officer, trustee, superintendent, or any employee of the Fair Advisory Board has the authority to change or suspend this rule.