

# GENERAL RULES AND HEALTH REGULATIONS

## GENERAL RULES

1. All exhibitors agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the Waterford Community Fair.
2. The fair management reserves the right to amend or add to these rules and regulations as it's judgment may determine.
3. Reasonable care will be taken to protect all exhibits on display from all injury and damage, but the fair IS NOT, in any way, to be held responsible for accidents, loss or damage by water, fire, theft, or otherwise, whatever may be the cause or extent of the damage or loss.
4. Entries will be made according to classification
5. Premiums, as listed, may be given for meritorious exhibits. In cases where there is no competition, judges may give an award such as they deem the exhibit is worthy to receive. Same rule applies where there are fewer entries in any class than the number of premiums offered. The judges may, at their discretion, award a ribbon or rosette. The fair reserves the right to determine how many entries they will accept from an exhibitor in the same class or, in the case of livestock, the same breed, and poultry, the same species. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL IN ALL CASES** except where mistakes, fraud, misrepresentation, or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award, is proved. In such cases, the superintendent, manager or secretary of the fair or show, or such referee as he may appoint, may make the decision. The case may be appealed to the Fair Management or Show Commission from whose decision there can be no appeal. **NO JUDGING ON THE DANISH SYSTEM.**
6. It shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor to make known the **PROPER NAME** of the article or breed of livestock he is entering. Any item entered improperly will be disqualified to receive a prize but the judges will mark the correct name on the entry tag for the benefit of the owner so the same mistake in entering need not be made the second time.
7. All livestock entries must be in place no later than 8:00pm **SUNDAY** unless other arrangements have been made with the respective department head.
8. Superintendents of departments reserve the right of refusing to accept any entry. Furthermore, the superintendents reserve the right to bar from competition animals, vegetables, flowers, poultry, products and manufactured articles of decidedly inferior quality and those not possessing sufficient merit to warrant recognition. (The Superintendents must notify exhibitors of any exhibits that have wilted or become unfit. After having done this, the superintendent may dispose of the exhibit at his discretion.)
9. **The Fair Management may, at any time, order the removal of any exhibit or part of exhibit in bad condition, any article unfit to show may be excluded. Food products cannot be polluted with any substance or chemical that causes them to become poisonous and unfit to be used as food. No exhibit may be removed at any time before the close of the fair, except by consent of the management.**
10. Where award ribbons are stolen or destroyed, the exhibitor may receive a duplicate at the close of the fair or show which shall be supplied by the fair free of charge.
11. During the judging, buildings, except livestock arena, are to be closed to everyone except fair officials, judges, Pennsylvania Fair Fund Officials, and necessary attendants. No exhibitor nor his agent shall communicate with the judge during the time of determining the awards except to answer questions proposed by the judges. Any exhibitor interfering with the judges while making awards shall forfeit any premium to which he would otherwise be entitled.
12. All livestock offered for premiums must have been the property of the owners for thirty (30) days or longer. (Livestock or poultry entered under a name other than the owner's shall be disqualified for premiums.)
13. Should any animal awarded a prize be disqualified, the animals gaining the lower prizes shall move into the next higher position if, in the opinion of the judges, the animals are worthy of such prizes.
14. Over-fitting of cattle will be discriminated against. Any artificial means used to change the form or shape of an animal will disqualify it from competition.
15. When on exhibition in the ring, each animal must be under halter and in charge of the owner or employee. The fair will have stand-by attendants available during the youth judging or showing, men designated if there is trouble with the animals.

16. Joint ownership considered to be as one owner in accordance with registration papers.
17. Premium checks and entries should be collected between 8:00 pm and 11:00 pm Saturday.
18. **\$2.00 entry fee per animal/per department.**
19. No livestock on midway.
20. **DRESS CODE - At minimum, exhibitors handling and/or show showing animals at the fair are required to wear appropriate hard sole shoes, especially for beef cattle and hogs. No sandals permitted.**

## CAMPER GUIDELINES

- **A limited number of camper/trailer spaces are available on a first come-first serve basis.** Camping spaces will be assigned at the discretion of the fair board and space is limited. Purchasing of extra space for awnings/slide-outs may not always be possible.
- **A \$30.00 fee will be charged for each space, \$40.00 for spaces with electrical hook-up.**
- The fair board reserves the right to move any camper that is incorrectly parked
- Campers must use appropriate electrical cords
- Trailers not used for camping will not be allowed in the camping area
- No awnings or slide-outs are allowed to extend into the next camping space
- No dumping of sewage or grey water onto the ground is permitted

## GUIDELINES FOR CARE OF ANIMALS

It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to care for animals in a manner that is responsible and ethical. Following are some guidelines for the treatment of animals exhibited at the fair:

1. **Restraining Animals**
  - Animals should be tied or penned in a manner that will not hurt the animals or restrict it's breathing in any way.
  - Animals should be tied so all four feet are firmly on the ground and they have enough room to stand comfortably and lie down.
  - Animals should be tied so they are not able to injure animals tied near them.
2. **Handling**--Any type of rough handling which could harm the animal is prohibited. The use of whips, canes, and show sticks should be restricted to showing only and be used only to guide the animals, not punish them. Remember animals will respond quicker to quiet, gentle handling, than loud, rough handling.
3. **Bedding**--All animals should have bedding that is dry and clean. Pens should be cleaned regularly to keep the animals clean and comfortable. If non-traditional bedding, such as carpet, is used it should be regularly cleaned (at least twice daily) to keep the pen free from manure.
4. **Feeding & Water**--Animals should be well fed and have access to clean water regularly. Realizing that many market animals must have restricted amounts of feed to maintain the proper weight, animals must be fed adequate amounts of feed to meet the animal's basic requirements. Animals not allowed reasonable access to feed and water will be disqualified from the show.
5. **Transportation**--Animals should be transported in a way that is both safe and considerate of the animal's well-being.
6. **Blanket/Sweat Collars**--Any type of material such as blankets or sweat collars should be large enough to permit normal body functions such as breathing, eating, drinking, or lying down.
7. **Health**--It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to provide proper health care for their animals through routine inspection and consultation with health care professionals. The improper or illegal use of drugs or antibiotics is prohibited. If medication is indicated, be sure to follow the label directions and allow more than the stated withdrawal time.

## EXHIBIT REGISTRATION GUIDELINES



**\*\* BACK FOR 2022 \*\***

Due to the anticipated high volume of entries and, in an effort to make the registration process a more enjoyable experience, the fair has designated

**Sunday SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 as EXHIBIT REGISTRATION DAY!**

- Less traffic and congestion at entry stations
- No admission required to register exhibit
- Enjoy the Labor Day holiday at the fair with family and friends
- Fair attendees will have an earlier opportunity to view entries.

Individuals wishing to enter exhibits for judging and premium consideration can do so on the exhibit registration day from 9:00am to 8:00pm. On arrival, please visit the entry desk in Home Show Building #1 to receive entry tickets for those items you wish to exhibit.

Judging of perishable items will begin immediately following the close of registration. Therefore, and without exception, **all Baked Products entries must be in place by 8:00pm Sunday** to be considered for any premium, contest or award.

In an effort to increase the efficiency of the exhibit registration process, **PRE-REGISTRATION** is encouraged wherever possible, and **required for all livestock entries** (with the exception of rabbits).

### EXHIBITOR NUMBERS:

In ALL cases, each exhibitor is assigned an **EXHIBITOR NUMBER**. If you've entered an exhibit in previous years at the Waterford Fair, your exhibitor number is already assigned. For new exhibitors, an exhibitor number must be assigned prior to registering or entering your exhibit. New exhibitor numbers will be assigned at the entry table on registration day, or can be obtained in advance by contacting Entries Chairman: **SHARON BURAWA - 814-796-4490**

### LIVESTOCK PRE-REGISTRATION:

In the case of livestock, **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED** using the blank livestock entry forms supplied in the fair book or downloaded from the fair's web-site. Forms should be completed in their entirety and forwarded to the respective department chairman at the addresses supplied in the fair book or published on our web-site. **Please take careful note of the entry-date deadlines for each respective department.**

**Non-Livestock exhibits can ALWAYS be entered in person on the exhibit registration day of the fair.**

### ALL OTHER ENTRIES PRE-REGISTRATION:

While not required, all other entries may be pre-registered using the blank entry forms supplied in the fair book or download forms from the fair web-site. Forms should be completed in their entirety and forwarded to Entries Chairman:

**SHARON BURAWA, 1732 Route 6N East, Edinboro, PA 16412.  
(814) 796-4490**

### On-line pre-registration is currently unavailable.

When exhibits are pre-registered, the entry is recorded in our entry database and an entry ticket for each entry is generated by our computer system. These entry tickets can be picked up at the entry table on entry day (Sunday before the first day of the fair), or, if there's sufficient lead time, arrangements can be made to pick up the entry tickets prior to the first day of the fair. Pre-registration of exhibits is available until the **Thursday before Labor Day.**

## GENERAL ADMISSION

**All individuals, (including exhibitors) must have paid daily admission, purchased a weekly booster button, wrist band or possess an official admission pass issued by the fair.**

## HEALTH RULES AND REGULATIONS

- **"Certificate of Veterinary Inspection"**-All livestock exhibits must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) (health certificate) signed by an accredited veterinarian;

All Swine - issued within 14 days of start of fair.

All Other PA Livestock—issued after May 1st, current year.

Out-Of-State Livestock— issued within 30 days of date of importation to the state.

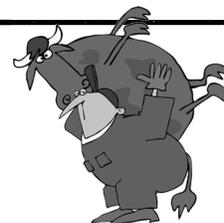
All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this is required on the CVI (the statement may be pre-printed on the CVI). Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the fair grounds. Decisions by Fair Officials to deny entry to any livestock exhibit are final and not subject to appeal.

- **Veterinarian Consultation Relationship** - For animal species that do not have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection requirement, Pennsylvania law requires an "Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian Consultation Relationship" exists, and that it can be verified in writing. To meet this requirement, each exhibitor must have signed the **Veterinarian Consultation Relationship statement located on the bottom of the fair's livestock entry form** (provided in this fair book). If more than one form is submitted, each form must be signed. **If the owner/caretaker is under 18 years of age, the signature of a parent/guardian is required.**
- "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection" (CVI) OR evidence of a signed "Veterinarian Consultation Relationship" statement **MUST** be presented upon arrival including out of state entries for livestock exhibits.
- All animals admitted to the Waterford Community Fair shall be identified by a unique and permanent ear tag, tattoo, brand or records of unique physical attributes. Animals known to be infected with or exposed to any contagious, infectious or external parasitic disease, and animals restricted by quarantine may not be assembled for show purposes.
- All animals admitted to the Waterford Community Fair must comply with applicable state (7 PA Code) or federal (9CFR) rules.
- Animals presented for exhibition will be subject to inspection by show officials and will be rejected if evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease is apparent or if health certification or identification documentation is not acceptable.
- All Show animals should be held in isolation for at least 30 days after return to the herd of origin.

Be sure to use only grooming products that are approved for use on meat and dairy animals when fitting your animals for show. Unapproved products may contain ingredients that result in unacceptable residues in the meat or milk. If you are not certain that a product is residue safe and approved for use on meat or dairy animals, **DO NOT USE IT!**

## WEIGH-IN TIMES FOR MARKET ANIMALS

Weigh-in for **ALL** Market animals (open and junior classes) will be on Sunday, September 4, 2022 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm on the fair-grounds in the youth arena.



## LOAD OUT FOR MARKET ANIMALS

**\*\*4H Market Animals** may not be removed prior to 7am Sunday.

**\*\*Open Class Animals** may not be removed prior to 10pm Saturday.