GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

**ENTRY POST MARKED DEADLINE: JUNE 25TH – NO EXCEPTIONS!**

* **\*\*ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS ON ENTRY FEES!**
* **All exhibitors MUST BE residents of the state of Pennsylvania.**
* **\*\*ANY ANIMAL, UPON ARRIVAL TO FAIRGROUNDS, MUST PRESENT CURRENT VACCINATIONS AND HEALTH PAPERS**.
* **ANY VIOLATION** of fair rules will forfeit ALL premiums.
* Please fill out separate entry form. DO NOT COMBINE ANIMAL ENTRIES WITH INSIDE EXHIBIT ENTRIES (i.e. Dept. 18 – one entry form – circle INSIDE; Dept. 9 – separate entry form – circle ANIMAL). You can combine entry fees and submit one check.
* Fair Contestant Eligibility Rule:
* It is Once And Done – Once a contestant wins 1st place at a 2022 fair in a particular PSACF special baking contest, they are no longer eligible to compete in the same baking contest at any other fair for the year.
* All entries must be pre-entered and postmarked by June 25th of the current fair year. Entries postmarked after June 25th will be returned to the exhibitor unopened.
* Please check for correct Department, Sections and Class. No changes will be made after entry date of June 25th.
* Youth is anyone between two (2) and 18 years of age as of January 1st of the current fair year.
* Youth may enter open or youth classes dependent on individual departments but must pay two (2) entry fees if exhibiting in both; youth fee plus open fee if applicable in Department. (Department 11 is ALL YOUTH ENTRIES.)
* **ALL LIVESTOCK will arrive Sunday, July 10, 2021 between 9:00 AM and 12:00PM**. HEALTH PAPERS and VET-CLIENT RELATIONSHIP FORMS MUST ACCOMPANY ANIMALS AT CHECK-IN. All health papers must be dated after May 1st. All sheep and goats must carry Scrapie ID or tattoo. All horses, cattle and sheep must have current rabies vaccinations with proof that they were administered by a licensed veterinarian. Market animals are exempt from this vaccination.
* Livestock exhibitors are entitled to two (2) parking passes. Additional passes are available at the fair office for a fee of $25.00.
* **ARRIVAL OF INSIDE ENTRIES**:
* Arts, Crafts and Needle Crafts Friday July 8th, 4:00 – 8:00 PM
* Vegetables, Fruit, Baked Goods, Hays, Grains and Floral - Friday July 8th, 4:00 – 8:00 PM
* Must have had some item pre-registered to add entries day of entry. A limit of five (5) items for Home Ec. entries. One dollar ($1.00) additional per item maybe added day of entry.
* All inside exhibits will be released Sunday July 17th after 9:30 am and only to exhibitors with claim checks.
* ALL ANIMALS MUST BE REMOVED FROM FAIRGROUNDS SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 16TH. Animals are released at 11:00 p.m. NO EARLIER! No animals are to be removed until approved by Superintendent. No overnight stays for animals. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

All exhibitors agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the Derry Township Agricultural Fair and must present a signed entry form to participate in the competitions.

1. The fair management reserves the right to amend or add to these rules and regulations whenever and wherever necessary.
2. Reasonable care will be taken to protect all exhibits on display from injury and damage, but the fair is NOT TO BE HELD RESPONSIBLE in any way for accident, loss or damage.
3. All entries must be made according to the Dept./Sec./Class as explained in the premium book. No changes will be made once entries are accepted.
4. Each Superintendent may establish a youth and open division in any department.
5. Premiums, as listed, may be given for meritorious exhibits. In case of single entry, judges may give an award such as they deem the exhibit is worthy to receive. The 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.
6. 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. Livestock exhibitors are limited to a maximum of 20 animals per department per family or farm.
7. The decision of the judges will be final in all cases except where fraud, misrepresentation or collusion (not discovered at the time of the award) is proven. In such cases, the superintendent, manager or fair secretary or such referee as he/she may appoint may make the decision.
8. All protests regarding the judging must be made in writing and must plainly state the case of the complaint/appeal. Such protests must be filed at the fair office within 24 hours of the occurrence.
9. Inside entries must have been grown, produced or made since the last Derry Township Ag Fair by the person whose name appears on the tag as exhibitor. Exhibitor may be required to prove the ability to reproduce an entry in department in the presence of a qualified person.
10. All breeding entries must be the property of the exhibitor for the least 30 (thirty) days prior to the fair.
11. Only exhibitors under age five (5) are allowed to have parental assistants in the ring during the market show.
12. Only the exhibitor is permitted to sell a market animal. Exceptions will be considered BUT MUST be pre-approved by the Superintendent.
13. All pens must be kept clean.
14. All market animals will be weighed-in on the same set of scales under the supervision of a qualified weight master at the discretion of the fair.
15. It is permissible for each department to establish Supreme Champion classes.
16. All market hogs must have self-waters.
17. All market exhibitors must have signage on pens including Thank You to 2021 buyer.
18. Superintendents reserve the right to bar from competition animals, vegetables, flowers, poultry, produce or manufactured articles of decidedly inferior quality and those not possessing sufficient merit to warrant recognition.
19. Food products, baked goods and market animals must be free of any substance that causes them to be unfit as food. All incidents will be reported to the PA Agricultural Fair Program for further review and disciplinary action.
20. No exhibit may be removed from the fairgrounds at any time before the close of the fair except by the consent of the Fair Association. If such removal occurs without consent of department Superintendent and a Fair Officer prior to physical removal, then exhibitor forfeits all premiums.
21. There will be no private sale of animals on the fairgrounds. They must be sold off the property.
22. **If animals look like they have been neglected, the superintendent has the right to notify the authorities. All pens must be kept clean and animals must be fed and watered at all times. THERE WILL BE CONSEQUENCES FOR ANIMALS WITHOUT WATER. THIS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED!**
23. Where awarded ribbons are stolen or destroyed, the exhibitor may receive a duplicate at the close of the fair which will be supplied at the expense of the fair.
24. Judging is viewed as an educational process, and the public is encouraged to view the livestock judging events. Judging of inside entries is open only at the consent of the judges and the superintendents.
25. No exhibitor or his agent shall communicate with the judge during judging except to answer questions proposed by the judges. Any exhibitor interfering with the judges while making awards shall forfeit any premiums for which he or she would otherwise be entered.
26. Should any animal awarded a prize be disqualified, the animals in the class may be elevated according to their judging order if the judge feels the animals are worthy of such prizes.
27. Recognizing the fact that it is not possible to list every desirable and worthwhile class in each section of each department, and the fact that fashion and fad -- particularly in the areas of needlecraft, artistic and fine arts -- may change, this fair shall add or delete classes in what they perceive to be in their own best interest. Such changes shall not jeopardize the premium reimbursement set in each department.
28. Over fitting of cattle and other livestock will be discriminated against. Any artificial means used to change the form or shape of an animal will disqualify it from competition. **Fitting of cattle and other livestock should be done by EXHIBITOR OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER ONLY. Professional Fitters will not be tolerated and consequences will be given.**
29. When on exhibition in the ring, cattle, horses and llamas must be under a halter. Attendants available when youngsters are in the ring to assist if necessary. No one under the age of two (2) is permitted in the ring.
30. Joint ownership is to be considered as one owner in accordance with the registration papers.
31. The fair reserves the right to disallow exhibitors and/or their exhibits based on prior problems on the grounds that have caused problems in the past.
32. Any animal of unthrifty nature, unsuitable conditions, or which cannot be satisfactorily handled under show conditions, must be removed from the fairgrounds.
33. Exhibit animals must be confined to the exhibit area or show ring. No exhibit animals are permitted on the midway.
34. If earned premiums exceed total budget, the Fair Association reserves the right to pro-rate the difference between the winners.
35. Premiums will be forfeited unless the correct address is given on entry forms. Incomplete entry forms without name, complete correct mailing address and phone number will not be accepted. Market checks must be cashed within 60 days, checks will not be reissued.
36. All premium checks must be cashed within 60 days of issue. No checks will be reissued.
37. Entry fees must accompany each entry form. No entry fee will be refunded unless application is withdrawn before the closing date of entries, June 25th.
38. Only exhibits listed in this premium book will considered for judging all other entries will be considered for exhibit only.
39. **ABSOLUTELY NO DRUGS, TOBACCO OR ALCOHOL is permitted on the fairgrounds.** Absolutely no smoking in building/barns/tents or around livestock.
40. ABSOLUTELY NO OVERNIGHT STAYS UNLESS IN A CAMPER WITH OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE EXHIBITION MANAGER. NO TENTS PERMITTED.
41. ABSOLUTELY NO PETS ON THE FAIRGROUNDS with the exception of the children’s pet show. Service animals with proper paperwork are permitted but cannot enter animal tents.
42. Any exhibitor not abiding by the rules may be asked to remove their exhibits and forfeit any premiums.
43. Campers will be permitted on the fairgrounds under the following terms:
44. Pre-registered
45. Pay all required fees
46. Follow all the rules and guidelines as stated on the camping permit request form
47. All camper spaces will be assigned; no one is to park without permission from the fair board
48. All spots will be marked off and identified
49. Any check returned NSF for entries, etc. will be charged a minimum of $35.00 return check fee. Failure to reimburse the fair results in forfeiture of premiums and proceeds until debt is satisfied. Such exhibitor will be required to send a Money Order with entries for a minimum of two (2) years.
50. Superintendent MUST be consulted BEFORE administering any medications or any sort of liquids, injectable, or even over the counter medications. If any exhibitor is caught in violation of this rule, appropriate action will be taken.
51. BEFORE using any muzzles or other devices, a superintendent MUST be consulted.

**LIABILITY**

All persons who enter upon the fairgrounds and use the facilities for any purpose do so at their own risk.

**GOOD HOUSEKEEPING** – DTAF ASSOCIATION

All livestock exhibitors will be judged according to the following criteria:

 Cleanliness of animal(s)

 Cleanliness of bedding

 Entry card and ribbons won properly displayed

 Keeping hay and feed presentable

 Keeping all equipment sanitary and neat

 Keeping aisles clean

 Courtesy to people

Judge has the right to withhold placings if requirements are not met.

**Daily Premiums to be awarded Monday – Saturday**, 1st - $5.00, 2nd - $4.00, 3rd - $3.00

 Beef Dairy Goats

 Hogs Horses Poultry

 Rabbits Sheep

**The Superintendent has the right to refuse to award premiums.**