

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
THESE RULES SUPERSEDE ALL OTHER RULES IN THIS EXHIBITORS' GUIDE

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1. The State Fair of West Virginia (SFWV) reserves to its Board of Directors the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters in regard thereto and to add to or amend them as they may deem advisable.
2. Upon the discovery of an aberrant act or unseemly behavior (including the consumption of alcoholic spirits) on the part of any exhibitor in the barn and in public view, the Board of Directors, if such act is proved to their satisfaction, reserves the right to withhold the payment of any prizes awarded, to prohibit any such party or parties from exhibiting for one or more years, to publish the names of any such person or persons as may be deemed expedient, and to award a prize or prizes so withheld as though such exhibitor or exhibitors had not exhibited.
3. The SFWV will **not** act as a selling agency.
4. Advertisements by means of posters, prints, handbills, etc., on buildings, trees, posts or on other places on the grounds **will not be permitted**, nor will anyone be permitted to distribute any advertising except from inside of booth and not in the aisle in front of same.
5. Exhibits brought to the Fairgrounds without having previously been entered at the Fair Office cannot be accepted.

ENTRY RULES

6. For the convenience of exhibitors, an entry blank is placed in each Exhibitors' Guide. Intending exhibitors should **type** or **print** thereon the department, class, and section in which they wish to enter their article, using the exact number in the Exhibitors' Guide. **Only one person may list his articles on an entry blank.** If additional entry blanks are needed, please notify the Competitive Exhibits Department at 304-645-1090 or download the forms from our website, www.statefairfww.com. The same article cannot compete for the premium of two (2) or more classes, except when otherwise stated in the notes of the department. The SFWV Executive Committee reserves the right to reject or refuse any entry it deems advisable.
7. Articles may not be removed from the grounds until time stated for individual departments.



JUDGES AND JUDGING

1. An appeal of the decision of the judges may be made to the SFWV Executive Committee. However, no appeal will be considered unless such appeal be made to the manager of the fair in writing, accompanied by a forfeit of \$100.00 to be retained by the SFWV in case the decision of the judges is sustained by the Committee. The decision of the Committee shall be final and binding. Any appeal considered must be filed within six (6) hours after judging.
2. Any attempt to influence or intimidate a judge, or any attempt whatsoever to decide and obtain a premium by misrepresentation, shall be reported at once to the manager of the fair, who shall order that such exhibitor be excluded from competition at this exhibition and any premium that may have been awarded him shall be forfeited.
3. No exhibitor shall act as a judge in the department in which he/she exhibits.
4. If any disrespect is shown to judges by an exhibitor, or members of their family or their agent, they shall forfeit all awards received and the superintendent shall make a report of same to the manager of the fair.



PREMIUMS

1. Premiums will not be awarded simply because the article is the best of its kind exhibited. The judge must consider it worthy of a premium upon its intrinsic merit or may refuse to award a premium of any kind.
2. In any class where there is no competition, the judge must sign a statement that the article is worthy of first place money; otherwise, a blue ribbon will be awarded but only second money will be paid.
3. **PREMIUMS WILL BE PAID ACCORDING TO THE RECORDS TURNED IN TO THE MANAGER'S OFFICE BY THE JUDGES AND NOT BY RIBBONS PRESENTED.**



ADMISSION POLICY

Each person who exhibits articles or items in Departments I, J, K, L and M will be furnished one ticket, free of charge, when the exhibit is delivered to the fairgrounds.



Grounds Admissions:

CHILDREN THROUGH 5 YEARS OF AGE.....	FREE
YOUTH (6 THROUGH 12 YEARS OF AGE)	
ADVANCE SALE	\$5.00
AT GATE	\$7.00
ADULT (ANYONE AGE 13 OR OVER)	
ADVANCE SALE	\$7.00
AT GATE	\$10.00

Visit the State Fair website at www.statefairfww.com for more gate and carnival promotions.