



177TH ORANGE COUNTY FAIR
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JULY 13-16, 2017
JULY 20-23, 2017

****ENTRY RULES & REGULATIONS****

(Unless otherwise noted in the specific rules of an individual Department)

OPENING & CLOSING OF ENTRIES:

- 1.) **Entries for the Orange County Fair will be open for display on Thursday, July 13-16, 2017 and July 20-23, 2017.**
- 2.) All entries shall remain in place until the closing of the Fair on **Saturday, July 22, 2017.**
- 3.) **Entries Acceptance & Removal:**
 - The time for acceptance of all entries is listed under each Department's Rules and Regulations. All Departments have set certain times for acceptance and the release of all entries. There will be no deviation from this rule.
 - **All entries are to be brought to the ORANGE COUNTY FAIR ARENA BUILDING.**
 - All entries are to be removed on **Monday, July 24, 2017**, unless otherwise specified by the Department being entered. When picking up entries please make sure that you bring your claim tags.
- 4.) **Unclaimed Entries:** All entries that are not removed on **Monday, July 24, 2017**, will be brought to the Fair Office and held for one (1) week. Any entry not claimed within one (1) week will be disposed of.

ENTRY FORMS:

- 1.) **Entry Forms can either be sent by mail or made in person until the date listed under the Departments Rules and Regulations.**
- 2.) Entry forms will be accepted between the hours of **9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday -Friday**, at the Orange County Fair Office.
- 3.) If you are mailing in your entry forms, please send it to:
**Orange County Fair
239 Wisner Avenue
Middletown, NY 10940
Attn: Entry Clerk**
- 4.) When mailing you entry form, please make sure that your entry fee is included.
- 5.) If paying by check/money order, please make payable to:
Orange County Agricultural Society
- 7.) Entry fees will be ten percent (10%) of the First Prize Premium for each class entered, unless other wise stated in the specific rules of a Department.
- 8.) All Junior Exhibitors will be charged an entry fee of \$1.00, per each Department entered. This entitles them to enter into more than one class in the Junior Section of that Department. They shall also receive a Junior Season Pass.
- 9.) **ENTRY FEES ARE NON REFUNDABLE.**
- 10.) **When completing your entry form please use only one (1) Form per Department entered. Entry forms may be duplicated.**

11.) Entry forms should be made out carefully, as lack of correct and incomplete information may cause a delay in issuing awards.

12.) All entries must be made out in the name of the owner, agent, producer or manufacturer and a certificate to that effect must be furnished by the exhibitor on request of the Orange County Agricultural Society, Inc.

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ENTRY TAGS:

1.) **All EXHIBITOR ENTRY FORMS THAT ARE RECEIVED BEFORE JUNE 30, 2017 WILL HAVE THEIR ENTRY TAGS MAILED.**

2.) **ENTRY TAGS WILL NOT BE MAILED OUT AFTER FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2017. If you do not receive your entry tags in the mail by Wednesday, July 5, 2017, please call the Fair Office for further instruction.**

3.) If any changes or adjustments are needed to be made to your entry tags, please call the Fair Office.

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EXHIBITOR PASSES:

1.) **EXHIBITOR PASSES ARE GIVEN AS A COURTESY TO ANYONE WHO ENTERS AN EXHIBIT INTO THE FAIR AND CAN ONLY BE USED FOR FAIR ADMISSION. RIDES ARE NOT INCLUDED.**

2.) **EXHIBITOR PASSES WILL BE ISSUED AS FOLLOWS:**

ADULT/SENIORS

- **IF YOU'RE ENTRY FEE TOTAL IS \$5.00 OR HIGHER YOU WILL RECIEVE FOUR (4) DAILY COURTESY PASSES.**

- **IF YOU'RE ENTRY FEE TOTAL IS LESS THAN \$5.00 YOU WILL RECEIVE TWO (2) DAILY COURTESY PASSES.**

JUNIORS

- **ALL JUNIOR EXHIBITORS (Ages 7 – 18) WILL RECEIVE A COURTESY PASS THAT IS VALID FOR THE ENTIRE FAIR.**

3.) **COURTESY PASSES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT WHEN THE EXHIBITS ARE BROUGHT IN FOR DISPLAY.**

4.) **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL EXHIBITOR PASSES BE OBTAINED AT THE FAIR OFFICE.**

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JUDGING/JUDGES:

1.) Judging for all entries will take place **Sunday, July 9, 2017 through Saturday, July 22, 2017.**

2.) Entries receiving premiums will be designated by prize ribbons or stickers, which will be affixed by the Judges for the information of the public. **Only the Judge's books will be used as evidence for payment of premiums. In no case will a ribbon or sticker be considered a voucher for a premium.**

3.) No person will be allowed to act as a Judge in any class in which he has articles or stock entered for premiums.

4.) No person shall be entitled to a premium in any class unless the entry shall be deserving thereof.

5.) Any exhibitor who shall make or cause to be made any false statement in regard to any entry exhibited or shall interfere with the Judges in the performance of their duties in any manner whatsoever, shall be excluded from the competition and shall not be entitled to any premiums during the current year.

6.) In case there is one entry in a class, the Judges shall decide whether or not it is entitled to a 1st, 2nd or 3rd premium. Judging is done on a basis of perfection, not by comparison.

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PROTESTS:

1.) All protests must be submitted in writing and filed with the Orange County Agricultural Society within six (6) hours after judging of the class is completed. A fee of \$10.00 must accompany each protest and which will be forfeited to the Society if the protest is decided against the person protesting.

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PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS:

- 1.) Premium checks will be mailed to all winners. Please make sure that we have your complete mailing address.
- 2.) As the Society is required by law to make a detailed report to the State Agricultural Department, all checks issued for premiums must be presented on or before **December 2017**.

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EXHIBITORS:

- 1.) **The Officers of the Orange County Agricultural Society will have charge of the exhibition and the right to control all exhibits. They will always endeavor to exercise every reasonable precaution to avoid theft, fire and accident. The Orange County Fair and its officers will in no case be responsible for loss or damage that may occur and upon these conditions alone entries will be received.**
- 2.) The Orange County Agricultural Society reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally or to cancel any entries, disqualify exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries or cancel awards, without claim for damages.
- 3.) **Any exhibitor refusing to cooperate with Department Superintendents will be subject to possible forfeiture of premiums and suspension of future exhibiting privileges.**
- 4.) **The Department Superintendents have the right to reject any and all exhibits that are unfinished, soiled or worn.**
- 5.) No animal or article will be allowed to compete for more than one premium unless otherwise specified by that Department.
- 6.) Competitors for premiums in all Departments must have resided in Orange County or an adjoining County for at least six months immediately preceding the Fair, unless otherwise stated under a Department's additional Rules and Regulations.
- 7.) **Exhibitors must see to the delivery and the removal of their exhibits to the grounds. The Fair cannot provide transportation or be subject to any expense.**
- 8.) The Orange County Agricultural Society and its management will not be liable for entries made in error and will not re-open judging to accommodate such entries.
- 9.) The owners of articles on exhibition will be allowed to sell the same during the Fair unless stated under a Departments additional Rules and Regulations; said article not to be removed until the closing of the Fair.
- 10.) The Officers of the Orange County Fair and the police appointed will keep order on the grounds, see that the rules are faithfully executed and keep vigilant night watches during exhibition.
- 11.) All inquiries as to the Fair and its arrangements and for purchase of privileges can be sent to the Orange County Agricultural Society, Inc., 239 Wisner Avenue, Middletown, New York 10940.