

2022 Champaign County Fair

Rules of Operation

We aim to make the fair a fun, yet safe community event. We ask for your assistance to ensure a positive experience for all. The following pertains to the rules and policies of the fair. Please initial that you've read and agree to abide by each item listed below.

Hours of Operation: Vendor booths must be open on time at the start of each day and remain open until the fair closes each night. Please refer to the Daily Schedule for hours of operation. The Kesler Hall exhibit building is unlocked each day when the admission gate opens and locked at 9 PM each evening. The Vendor is responsible for their exhibits/merchandise. Not all spaces are guaranteed electrical outlets. All vendors are required to supply their own equipment – including tables, signage, canopies, tents, etc. Fines will be given as well as spaces forfeited for vendors not open to public for all hours of operation.

Selection & Location: Spaces are assigned based upon electrical needs as well as historical participation. The Fair Office will attempt to honor any requested booth location, although the final location of any vendor remains the decision of the Champaign County Fair Board along-side the Fair's electrician. All assigned vendor spaces are final and will not be changed.

Product Vendors: The Champaign County Fair **will not** guarantee you are the sole vendor of a product. However, to reduce over saturation of products, not all proposed items will be approved. Non-Food vendors or exhibitors **MAY NOT** sell or give away any food or beverage items – except for water – without prior Fair office approval.

Professionalism: You and your employees are expected to act in a professional manner, both on and off duty, as representatives of your company or organization. Disruptive behavior by you or your employees will not be permitted and could lead to your immediate termination. The vendor will conduct all business within the area assigned and will not engage in roving solicitation.

Staff: As a vendor participating at our Fair and to ensure that our Fair is in compliance with 720 ILCS 5/11-9.3. Please be advised that it is unlawful for a child sex offender to knowingly operate, manage, be employed by, or be associated with any county fair when persons under the age of 18 are present.

Health Department: The Champaign County Health Department requires ALL food vendors at the Champaign County Fair to submit their temporary food permit application with a fee of \$75.00, four weeks before the event. Failure to submit application by the deadline will incur a \$25.00 late fee to the Champaign County Health Department.

Liability: The Champaign County Fair will not be held liable for the safety of exhibits against theft, fire, robbery, accident, or any other destructive cause, while on the Fairgrounds. Vendors are responsible for obtaining any insurance necessary for their own property loss or damage. Vendors and Exhibitors must secure their own property. The Fair Board is not liable for claims made regarding value, quality or pricing. The Fair provides security during fair hours of operation. The security officers will roam and cannot guard

any specific booth or area, nor will they provide escorts. The Fair encourages all vendors to take extra precaution in securing their vending area when closing.

Liability Insurance: ALL Concessionaires are required to have liability insurance for personal property in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. *Your certificate of liability insurance must name the "Champaign County Fair Association" as additional-insured.* This certificate can be secured from your insurance agent and mailed or faxed to the Fair office. Please have certificates sent to the Fair Office no later than July 1.

Set Up: Vendors may begin setting up on Monday, July 18 and must be set up by 4 PM, Friday, July 22. Vendors are required to check-in with the fair office upon arrival. Vendor packets will be distributed at this time. Contact the office if you have unique set-up requirements.

Camping: There are a limited number of camping spaces available. If you would like to reserve a space, please indicate so on the vendor contract. Allocation will be on a first-come first-served basis. The cost is \$25.00 per night for a 30A and \$30.00 per night for a 50A. **Stock trucks utilizing Fair electricity are subject to the same camping fee.** Fees are due on or before time of arrival. Camping permits will be issued once fees are collected.

Electric Service Policy: Under NO circumstances shall any individual other than an authorized employee of the Champaign County Fair Association or Aladdin Electric gain access to ANY electric service on the Champaign County Fair Grounds. If you require access to any electric service other than simply plugging something in, contact the fair office for assistance. Fees will be assessed for special electric service requirements. If you are found in violation of this policy, the Champaign County Fair Association reserves the right to collect monetary repair fees and/or assess a fine of \$100.00 per event. You assume all liabilities for damages and personal injuries.

Tear Down: All vendor booth spaces must remain intact and operational until 11:00 PM on Saturday, July 30. Vendors may begin tearing down only at the conclusion of the fair. A \$100.00 penalty will be charged for early closure, tear down, and/or departure. Early departure negatively affects the event as a whole and encourages others to leave early. Early departure may also forfeit vendor participation for future events. All vendor materials must be removed no later than the end of the day, Monday, August 1. Please make arrangements with the Fair Office if you cannot be out by the specified time.

Back-Flo Valve: Any concessionaire hooking up to Fair water system MUST provide a functional Back-Flo Valve in their water line.

Liquid Waste/Garbage: Liquid waste **CANNOT** be dumped into streets, storm drains or onto the ground. You must use containers to collect and discard waste in a sanitary manner. A \$100.00 penalty will be charged to any vendor caught not using proper disposal of waste – this includes left over batter. ALL trash, refuse & garbage must be placed in tightly closed trash bags and be set **out by 7:00 AM each morning** for pick-up.

Supply Deliveries: Please have your supplies in place by 10 AM each day. The roadway in front of Concessionaire displays will be closed to traffic (except Emergency Vehicles) after 10 AM until closing time

each day. *All supplies must come through the East Gate by the beer pavilion.* PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR SUPPLIERS.

Gate Entry: The Fair Office will provide two season vendor passes that will authorize entry onto the fairgrounds. Additional passes are available for purchase in the Fair Office for \$10.00 each. Passes are nontransferable. Please ensure you have the correct number of passes for your employees.

Parking: Vendors and their employees are required to park personal vehicles on the east side of the fairgrounds. Livestock trailers and supply vehicles will also be permitted to park in this area.

Golf Carts & ATVs: For safety reasons, ONLY golf carts and ATV's operated by Champaign County Fair personnel can be used on the Fairgrounds during hours of operation.

Premium Book: Each year we distribute approximately 3,000 Premium Books. Advertising space is available. If you are interested, please contact the Fair Office for cost information. **DEADLINE: June 1.**