

**OKLAHOMA STATE FAIR EQUINE DEPARTMENT
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Oklahoma State Fair, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation that serves the people of Oklahoma and is dedicated to continuing the organization's heritage of education, entertainment and economic development through the operation of OKC Fair Park and the annual Oklahoma State Fair.



ALL OWNERS/EXHIBITORS/ASSOCIATES should carefully read the information and rules provided herein and with each breed/discipline specific show/event. Your entry indicates your knowledge of, acceptance of and agreement to all rules/guidelines and information.

SECTION 1 – CONTACT INFORMATION FOR OKLAHOMA STATE FAIR MANAGED EQUINE COMPETITIONS:

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405-948-6735 Fax: 405-948-6828 (Attn: Equine Dept)

For directions to OKC Fair Park (hereinafter referred to as OKCFP) and map of the facilities, refer to www.okstatefair.com

SECTION 2 - EXHIBITOR'S WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY:

By completing and submitting any/all entries into any OSF competition, all individuals associated with any contestant, exhibitor, owner, associate, assistant, guest and/or animal(s) hereby releases, discharges and agrees to indemnify Oklahoma State Fair, Inc., the City of Oklahoma City, and the City of Oklahoma City Public Property Authority (and all of their officers, directors, members, managers, agents, representatives and employees) ("Indemnified Parties") from any and all losses or expenses of any kind, civil penalties, crimes, and causes of actions (including cost for defense, settlement and attorney fees) arising from or related to (1) death or bodily injury to any person, (2) destruction, damage, loss of theft of any property, (3) any violation of any law or (4) any other claim, cause of action, damage or expense, which results from or arises out of any act or failure to act, claim, demand or action arising from or by reason of personal injury that may occur to any associated individual(s) or animal(s) or properties entered or attending this Event being held at OKC Fair Park (OKCFP), whether caused by the actual or passive negligence of the Releasees, while aforementioned individual(s) are at OKCFP and/or competing, observing, working in, or for any purposes participating at the Oklahoma State Fair. All associates as mentioned herein voluntarily agree to the release and waiver of liability and indemnity agreement as indicated by their submission of entries and their presence at OKCFP. All involved individuals are aware of and understand Oklahoma Statutes, Section 50 of Title 76 pertaining to the Oklahoma Livestock Liability Limitations Act. The person submitting these entries, therein agrees to accept authority to act as agent for actual and/or recorded owner(s) of any/all animal(s) being entered, if applicable, and, in doing so, indicates acceptance of all rules, regulations, liability limitations for all individuals so named as owner, trainer, agent, exhibitor, rider, handler, groom, guest and/or showman. The person submitting these entries accepts responsibility and verifies accuracy of all information provided herein. This release and waiver shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Oklahoma.

NON-LIABILITY TO EXHIBITORS AND PATRONS

1. All property of every character entered for competition, display or any other purpose, or brought to OKCFP, by any person, shall be subject to the rules and regulations prescribed by OSF.

2. In no case, shall the OSF, its Board of Directors, officers, agents, representatives, servants, or employees be held responsible for any person coming to OKCFP for damage, injury, death or disability by disease, theft, or any other cause.

3. OSF hereby refuses to assume any responsibility for the safety, as bailee or otherwise, of any property brought to OKCFP.

4. If the property owners, or others interested in the property, desire protection against loss, damage or injury from fire, or any other cause, must make their own arrangements and pay for such insurance.

CLAIMS FOR INJURY

1. OSF expressly refuses to assume any liability for injuries to any patron coming to OKCFP, and no claims for injury to any person or property shall ever be asserted, or suit initiated or maintained against OSF, its Board of Directors, officers, agents, representatives, servants or employees for said cause by any person having license or privilege to exhibit at OKCFP or occupying any space thereon, and it is part of the consideration for such license or privilege that such claims for damage are specifically waived.

2. If any damage, loss or injury to person or property shall be caused by reason of negligence or willful act of any person, firm or corporation, other agent, representatives, servants, or employees having license or privilege to exhibit on OKCFP property. OSF shall, in no manner, be responsible therefore, and in case to be subjected to any expense or liability, all persons causing same or liable therefore shall indemnify the OSF.

SECTION 3 – ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR OKLAHOMA STATE FAIR ADMINISTERED EQUINE COMPETITIONS: (Pertinent to entries into the OSF Equine Empowerment Horse Show and the OSF Heavy Horse Show)

Rule 1: ENTRY PROCEDURES, DEADLINES:

- a) **OSF Equine Empowerment Horse Show: September 22:** Manual/hard copy entries must be submitted and mailed or delivered with all requested documents and forms, entry forms and payment via check made payable to the Oklahoma State Fair for **receipt no later than August 15, 2026**. There will be a \$30.00 service charge assessed to all accounts being paid with a returned check. The Oklahoma State Fair has the right to ban any exhibitor from future participation should there be a repeated problem with fees from any exhibitor. **No late entries will be accepted for this show.** No refunds for cancellations.
- b) **OSF Heavy Horse Show: September 25-27:** Entries into the **OSF Heavy Horse Show** MUST be submitted, processed and paid with credit card **online**. Complete entries processed and paid by August 15, 2026 will not incur additional penalty. Any **entry additions made after August 15** to entries previously submitted will be assessed additional late fees as noted below. **No entries will be accepted after 4 p.m. for any classes scheduled to be held the following day.**
- c) **Additional/late entries can be submitted with the following additional deadlines and penalties for the OSF Heavy Horse Show (only).**
 - ❖ **August 16 – August 31: ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY. Late fees:** Entries will be assessed \$100 additional per exhibitor (ownership entity) + \$10 additional per class added after August 15, 2026. Entries processed after August 31 will not be eligible for exhibitor armbands, discount tickets or additional parking passes and exhibitors will need to pay admission upon arrival. NEW entries processed/submitted after August 15 will NOT be considered for OSF High Point Awards or point accrual.
 - ❖ **September 1 – September 16: ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY. Late fees:** Entries will be assessed \$150 additional per exhibitor (ownership entity) + \$10 additional per class added after August 31, 2026. Not eligible for complimentary admission or exhibitor armbands.
 - ❖ **September 17 – until 4 p.m. the day prior to the first** intended class. Must be submitted via hard copy/entry forms complete with all necessary paperwork and fees directly to the Horse Show office. These entries will be assessed an additional late fee of \$200 per exhibitor (ownership entity) + \$15 per class added **after** September 16, and all fees must be paid with credit card or cash. No entries will be accepted after 4 p.m. the day prior to the first scheduled class of the

intended show. Not eligible for any complimentary admission, parking passes, exhibitor armbands or OSF High Point consideration/point accrual. Stall location subject to availability.

IMPORTANT NOTE: When processing online entries, make sure to COMPLETE the online process and receive online entry guarantee/receipt. If you do NOT receive a receipt/verification of entry/confirmation from OSF (emailed to you prior to the show), you may not have completed the online process, and the entries may not have been relayed to OSF accordingly. OSF will not be held responsible for incomplete/unconfirmed online entries. Late/Post entries fees may be applicable to unconfirmed or incomplete online entries.

Additional necessary documentation, which may include but not necessarily be limited to copies of registration papers, copies of association membership cards, etc., can be faxed or mailed to the Attn: Marc Pankow, to fax: 405-948-6828 or can be mailed to the address noted herein. Send these documents with a note including sufficient information to allow them to be matched with the corresponding online entries and relative horses. The requested documents MUST be submitted to the Oklahoma State Fair office for receipt by August 31, 2026. Documents submitted after that date may subject your entries to additional late fees.

- ❖ All entries **MUST** include true, current and recorded owner's complete name as indicated on the equine's current breed association registration certificate if applicable, and the owner's complete mailing address and current/valid email address MUST be legible on the entry form.
- ❖ Entries into all Gypsy, Draft, Drum and Friesian **registered** equine classes MUST provide a legible copy of the equine's breed association/registration certificate verifying current and correct gender and ownership. Entries **must** be made in the entire registered name of the equine and in the name of the current recorded owner **as indicated on the registration certificate** and as on file with the related breed registry/association. **Equine will not be allowed actual exhibition in any class without receipt of all information, payment due and documentation noted herein, and provided to the Oklahoma State Fair Horse Show Office no later than 4 p.m. on the day prior to the first intended class.**
- ❖ Exhibitor's armbands or parking permits will not be issued and entries will be considered invalid prior to receipt of all required fees and requested documents. Entries with remaining unpaid balances may be subject to additional penalties. Unpaid balances will prevent receipt of applicable complimentary admission upon arrival.
- ❖ **MANDATORY: That you bring and present a copy of your Exhibitor Invoice/Receipt upon arrival at Gate 7 and again in the Horse Show Office in the interior NE corner of the Performance Arena. That document (which will be emailed to you after receipt of completed entries and fees) will show the Gate 7 Arrival Attendants the number of admissions allowed for your entry. Failure to offer this document upon arrival at Gate 7 may result in the need to purchase additional admissions at the Gate.**

Rule 2: SUBSTITUTIONS/POST ENTRIES/CLASS ADDITIONS/CHANGES

- a) For equine already properly entered no later than August 15, 2026 in the OSF Heavy Horse Show, classes can be added after the deadlines noted herein for the entry fee per class plus an additional fee of \$10.00 per class and must be submitted in writing to the OSF Horse Show Office no later than **4 p.m.** on the day prior to the scheduled time for the "new" class. (Classes cannot be added via phone calls, e-mail or fax.) See deadlines noted in Rule 1 on page 2 of this section.
- b) Rider/handler substitutions/changes MUST be submitted to the Horse Show Office on forms provided for such. Copies of appropriate membership cards must be provided with the change forms and must be submitted to the Show Office no later than two hours prior to the intended class.
- c) In an effort to allow the OSF horse shows to be run without unnecessary delay, we request that you notify the office with information regarding cancelled or scratched classes or any necessary tack changes/holds on the forms provided at the Horse Show Office, and the gate officials, at the earliest possible opportunity. Failure to inform the Horse Show Office of changes in writing at least three scheduled classes in advance may jeopardize points.

SECTION 4 – OKLAHOMA STATE FAIR GENERAL RULES:

Rule 1: It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be aware of the current membership requirements for each show being entered and to provide the correct and current information with regard to the animal's description, gender and ownership. Failure to provide legible, accurate and current copies of registration papers and/or amateur and/or membership verification as may be required may cause invalid or unacceptable entries and possible forfeiture of entry into the OSF or specific class(es). Verification of amateur status is mandatory at time of entry for amateur high point or GVHS year end high point consideration or accrual.

Rule 2: At the discretion of show or event management, classes may be combined or cancelled if there are less than three participants for a class. Classes will not be added to the show schedule/roster after the initial date of close of entries. Exhibitors enter their horses based on the specific classes listed and offered herein. Entries will NOT be cancelled or refunded after receipt without official and documented cancellation forms as noted herein. No refunds will be permitted for any entries into the OSF Equine Empowerment Horse Show.

Rule 3: The age of any rider/handler entering any age-restricted class will be calculated as of January 1 of the current year unless otherwise specified by the governing breed association or affiliate.

Rule 4: No rider or handler may ride/handle/exhibit/present more than one horse in any class, except in individual work classes such as Trail/Obstacles. In the event of multiple entries in individual work classes, it is the exhibitor's, trainer's or agent's responsibility to insure that the office is aware of the correct rider/handler for each horse prior to the commencement of each class and advise the gate/paddock so entries can be separated if at all possible.

Rule 5: Exhibitors submit entries with the distinct understanding that their horses must be brought to the designated arena for judging at the request of the announcer, event manager or gate attendant. Any exhibitor refusing, when requested to do so, by a designated official or otherwise disobeying the rules in this Competition Guide will not only forfeit any awards won, but may be required to remove their horses from the show grounds and/or may be barred from further/future exhibition at the Oklahoma State Fair. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be present and ready to enter the arena for each properly entered and paid class. Classes missed due to lack of attention or preparedness, inadequate entry process or for any other reason cannot be re-run, refunded or substituted. **An exhibitor should not rely strictly on gate/class calls or possible announcements on the PA system, and a non-functioning PA system cannot be blamed for missed classes.** Riders/handlers/trainers and owners entering the show ring and participating in a class in which said horse is NOT duly and properly entered may result in disqualification and may be subject to penalty and censure by the Oklahoma State Fair. It is the responsibility of the rider/handler/trainer/owner to be aware of each and all classes your horse is properly entered in. Do not enter the arena unless you are sure your horse is/was duly entered in that class with the horse show office. Class entries or changes cannot be processed nor will they be accepted at the gate.

Rule 6: Entry into any of the OSF events/shows automatically authorizes the use of any photographs, videos, audios, cable-casts or other likenesses, procured while in attendance, of any individual or group associated with any equine/animal so entered or involved in competition or exhibition at the Oklahoma State Fair or OKC Fair Park.

- a) OSF and/or OKCFP reserves the exclusive right to prohibit or limit recording of any activities on OKCFP property for any reason at any time. Licensee, its exhibitors, vendors or guests may not temporarily install security or other cameras or recording devices without the express, written consent of OKCFP.
- b) Exhibitors are not allowed access to the static photographer's backdrops/stations without prior receipt of express written permission from the appropriate Oklahoma State Fair contracted photographer.
- c) Personal, private or individual use of drones is strictly prohibited for any purpose without express and written permission of the Oklahoma State Fair administrative staff.

SECTION 5 – HEALTH REQUIREMENTS/DOCUMENTATION (APPLICABLE TO ALL ATTENDING EQUINE):

Rule 1: All horses and other equidae must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI), formerly known as a health certificate or valid Extended Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection showing age, breed, sex and markings to positively identify animals, including all vaccinations, date and result of required tests, issued within 30 days of arrival and an official document verifying a negative test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) [Coggins test] showing a test date within 12 months prior to exhibition. Nursing foals less than six (6) months of age accompanied by their negative tested and documented dams are exempt from test requirements. The laboratory conducting the test must be approved by APHIS, USDA. Both aforementioned documents must clearly identify the animal(s) listed and be presented upon arrival before the animals can be admitted to the grounds or unloaded from the transport vehicles. (Do not mail these documents with your entries – they MUST accompany your horse/pony upon arrival.) **Any equine arriving without the above defined documentation will not be allowed entrance onto the grounds or into the barns. EHV Vaccinations are recommended. Check the Oklahoma State Fair website for any additional health concerns or mandates that may be applicable by September.**

Rule 2: For questions regarding current and exact health documentation requirements, contact the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Animal Industry Services 405-522-6141.

SECTION 6 – ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE/PARKING INFORMATION FOR ALL EQUINE EXHIBITORS:

Rule 1: ARRIVAL/PARKING/CREDENTIAL/HOURS OF OPERATION INFORMATION: REFER TO THE OSF EQUINE COMPETITIONS WEBSITE FOR POSSIBLE REVISED/UPDATED ARRIVAL PROTOCOL AND INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR ANY OF THE EQUINE EVENTS MENTIONED HEREIN. NOTE MULTIPLE CHANGES IN ARRIVAL PROTOCOL FOR 2026.

- a) After review of entries and close of the first deadline for entries into the OSF Heavy Horse Show and the OSF Equine Empowerment Horse Show, exhibitors/therapeutic riding center management or administration will receive an email regarding arrival and parking information to the email address provided with entries. Check your inbox and spam folders for an email address with @okstatefair.com for confirmation and arrival instructions.
 - b) Animals duly entered in the OSF must be brought to OKCFP via Gate 7 by arriving at Portland and Black Gold on the west side of OKCFP. Once you arrive at Portland and Black Gold, you will need to follow the signage to proceed to Gate 7 entry.
 - c) GPS address to Gate 7 arrival: 3350 Black Gold Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73107
 - d) **Gate 7 Operating Hours for equine arrival:**
 - For the **OSF Equine Empowerment Horse Show**: Must arrive Monday, September 21 between 12 p.m. (noon) and 8 p.m. No horses to be used in the OSF Equine Empowerment Horse Show can arrive before or after the date/time indicated herein.
 - For the **Oklahoma Horizon Horse Show**: May start arriving Wednesday, September 23 through and inclusive of Friday, September 25 between 7:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.
 - For the **Oklahoma State Fair Heavy Horse Show**: May start arriving Wednesday, September 23 between 12 noon and 8 p.m. and on Thursday through Sunday, September 25-27 inclusive between 7:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- See information provided in each show's Competition Guide for specific hours for equine and/or pedestrian arrival. Arrival hours, protocol and instructions have changed in 2026.**
- e) Only vehicles with entered animals or a one-time delivery of heavy equipment will be allowed through Gate 7. Please do not contribute to the congestion surrounding the barns by attempting to drive in with passenger vehicles.
 - f) **For OSF managed events: Exhibitor parking permits** are offered one (1) per registered exhibitor and are for parking of one (1) vehicle with trailer in the exhibitor trailer parking area south/west of the barns or without a trailer, vehicle only, in any other permit/paid lot. This permit is not good for gate admission, and it does not guarantee a parking place and will be issued for the period of time surrounding the dates of

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entered exhibition only. **One additional parking permit can be purchased** by OSF horse show exhibitors requesting and paying for the pass with the original entries received by the deadlines noted herein (no later than August 31, 2026) while supply lasts. The cost is \$30.00 and is limited to one additional per ownership entity. No additional passes will be available after close of entries (August 31 deadline) or from the Horse Show office. Subject to availability and rules as stated on the hangtag. Visit okstatefair.com/information/hours-admissions/ for additional parking/admission information.

Rule 2: Affix the Livestock Parking area permit/hangtag within your vehicle immediately upon receipt and before you proceed to any parking lot. Unattended vehicles will be towed at the expense of the owner/exhibitor. Make sure to immediately place your OSF parking permit/hangtag in a clearly visible location in your vehicle bringing tack/equipment/animals.

- a) You may park behind/between the barns ONLY long enough to unload your horses and tack, then will move one-way only behind and between the barns. Arriving animals will be presented at Gate 7 to the designated state animal health officials for review of aforementioned documentation and possible inspection as may be deemed necessary. Please be aware of the arrival and departure times pertinent to the show you are entering. **NO HORSES ENTERING THE OKLAHOMA STATE FAIR HORSE SHOW EVENTS/COMPETITIONS CAN ARRIVE PRIOR TO THE DATES NOTED IN THE APPROPRIATE COMPETITION GUIDES.** Animals cannot arrive or be unloaded or stalled without presentation to the Health Inspectors or designated officials. If you are unable to arrive at the OSF within the hours noted herein, please make arrangements in advance to either board your horses at an off-site location/stable or contact the Show Office with sufficient advance notice to allow for other possible arrangements. The exhibitor will be responsible for any fees/costs that may be associated with arrivals outside of the standard gate hours noted above.
- b) **Departure:** When you wish to load out and leave, bring your vehicle back through by again entering Gate 7. Drive your vehicle down the perimeter road behind/between the barns, park just long enough to load out and exit as expeditiously as possible via Gate 8. Vehicles left unattended or without continued load out activity are subject to being towed. Make sure you get your hand stamped or can exhibit your ticket stub or armband to present for re-entry.
- c) **Gate 7 is for INCOMING only. No exits of any kind will be allowed through Gate 7. Exit is through Gate 8 ONLY.**

Rule 3: PARKING One single vehicle parking permit/pass will be provided to each horse exhibitor (registered/entering ownership entity). Said permit shall be valid for the period indicated and subject to all rules as noted on the hangtag. The hangtag must be visibly displayed inside the front windshield. NO PARKING will be allowed inside the fence or in the areas immediately surrounding any of the horse show arenas and/or barns unless otherwise noted. Exhibitors entered in the Oklahoma State Fair Horse Shows will be provided one vehicle parking permit as noted in the competition guide for your specific event. Parking permits are for parking one vehicle with trailer in a designated Livestock Parking area or without a trailer (vehicle only) in any other permit/paid lot. This permit is not good for gate admission, does not guarantee a parking place and will be issued for the period of time surrounding the dates of entered exhibition only. **The purchase of one parking pass (limited to 1 additional per ownership entity as entered in the Oklahoma State Fair Horse Shows)** can be made with original entries processed and paid by the deadlines noted in each Competition Guide, while supply lasts. The cost will be \$30.00 and is subject to the same restrictions and duration as noted herein. Check the website for additional parking options and fees. No refunds will be made for any parking permits after purchase.

Rule 4: TRAFFIC/VEHICLE REGULATION

- a) Notice is hereby specifically given that in admitting vehicles to OKCFP, whether those of exhibitors, owners, associates, guests and/or patrons, and in permitting the bringing of any other property to OKCFP, OSF does not assume any responsibility therefore, or accept the custody thereof, nor assume the personal control thereof in any manner.
- b) No motorcycles, ATV's, bicycles, skates, segways, skateboards, rollerblades, scooters or any other powered or non-powered device of a similar nature will be permitted into the OSF operating area (except

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for ADA needs). Use of individual/private owned golf carts or other similar motorized transport within OKC Fair Park gates is strictly prohibited. Minors without a valid driver's license are not allowed to operate any motorized vehicle.

- c) **Proper credentials are required at all times for parking and admission. ADMISSION WILL NOT BE ALLOWED AT ANY TIME FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITHOUT APPROPRIATE CREDENTIALS. (Credentials = exhibitor armbands and/or season pass(es) and/or single day admission tickets.)**
- d) Passenger vehicles and trailers will be directed to the appropriate parking facilities. Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas will be reported to OSF police and subsequently towed and/or impounded. The owner or driver may be required to pay towing charges to recover the vehicle.

SECTION 7 – STALLS/STABLING/ FEED AND BEDDING/BARN AND ARENA INFORMATION

Rule 1: STALLS are mandatory and will be pre-assigned on a per horse basis, and it is mandatory that horses be placed only in stalls as assigned and paid for in advance. Verify your stall assignment with the Horse Show Office or your event secretary/manager BEFORE unloading your horse or utilizing a stall. **Horses CANNOT be maintained, when not involved in competition, in parking lots, in any arena or pen, tied to trailers outside of designated barns or tied in any alley or aisle.** Stall availability dates/times are posted under each breed/event sections. Exhibitors will not be able to access their stalls prior to the specified dates/times. All possible efforts will be made to have your stalls placed in a location within proximity to the arena you will be showing in, and we will make all possible efforts to stable you with any other individuals/stables/groups as requested on the entry form. To ensure that your group is assigned adjacent stalls, it is necessary the group request is made in writing presented to the OSF Horse Show Manager no later than 8-15-2026. Horses being placed in stalls not assigned or using stalls not paid for in advance may cause expulsion from the stalls or show grounds OR additional fee assessment for additional stall fees/charges. Tack stalls may be requested and will be rented at the same rate as horse stalls and are based on first-come, first-served availability. A mare with her own suckling foal entered by and under one single ownership entity may be contained in one stall. Exhibitors placing more than allowed animals in a single stall will be charged additional stall fees. All other horse entries must pay for and be assigned an individual stall for each. Stall fees will be applicable for each breed show/event and horses entering more than one specific breed/show will be obligated for stall fees for each.

Rule 2: FEED AND BEDDING:

- ❖ The OKC Fair Park Feed and Bedding office is located south west of incoming Gate 7. Exhibitors wishing to purchase bedding should obtain their stall assignments, then proceed to the Feed and Bedding Office, where they can order and pay for bedding as desired. For special arrangements, please call 405-948-6786 during normal working/daytime hours. Feed and bedding can be ordered online through this link: <https://okcfab.company.site/>
- ❖ **OKC Fair Park has a no outside bedding policy. The individual exhibitor may be charged \$5 per bag if an exhibitor brings in additional bedding. An onsite feed and bedding store is available for exhibitor convenience. Questions about this policy can be directed to the Feed & Bedding Department at OKC Fair Park. Exhibitors may bring in the feed of their choice.**

Rule 3: Only animals duly entered or involved in an event sanctioned by Oklahoma State Fair, Inc., are allowed on the show grounds at OKCFP. All horses will be required to be stalled, and stall fees are applicable to all equine involved with [being exhibited at or used at] the Oklahoma State Fair.

Rule 4: PROHIBITED: Any form of penetrating nail, staples, tacks, screws, wire, or fasteners, etc., as well as permanent tape, adhesives, glues, paints or other markers/markings materials. Any damage or alteration to stalls caused by the use of any of these types of items will be charged to the exhibitors and may be cause for expulsion from the show/grounds. Flyers, advertisements or any other documents cannot be distributed, posted or displayed anywhere other than on the specific bulletin boards in the barns, other than by the Oklahoma State Fair staff/management.

Rule 5: Dismantling of stalls (removal of ANY sections, walls and/or panels) is forbidden unless written request for specific reconfiguration is received with full payment and pre-approved by OKCFP

administration/management. There will be a charge for each revision of any stall, and revisions can ONLY be done by OKCFP staff. Contact the OSF Horse Show Manager for specific information regarding the cost of disassembly (varies by barn/stall type). Request and payment must be received at OKCFP by OSF management no later than September 1, 2026, to allow the scheduling of staff and equipment necessary to make the requested revisions.

Any exhibitors not following above regulations and making any alterations to stalls as they exist upon arrival will be fined and may be subject to withholding of awards, points and/or prize money/premiums, may be asked to vacate property or may be denied entry into future OSF competitions and/or events.

Rule 6: Animal Waste Disposal Requirements at OKCFP: (1) Transfer animal waste from stall to polycarts. (2) Immediately remediate any spills of animal waste occurring during transfer process and place all spilled animal waste into said bins. Polycart/waste containers should be returned to original location in center aisles for scheduled pickup/emptying. Exhibitors are required to keep their stalls and alleys and aisle ways clean, neat and unobstructed. Horses can only be washed/bathed in designated wash racks and not in stalls, walkways, streets or any other non-designated areas.

Rule 7: The dimensions of the Performance Arena show arena are 120' x 250'. The footing is dirt (sandy loam). Suitable indoor stalls on asphalt and/or cement with doors will be used and are approximately 10' x 10'.

Rule 8: Any electrical equipment used in the barn areas must conform to manufacturer's specifications. Management requires that any fans used be equipped with a three-wired ground plug. All electrical cords must be Underwriters Approved (UA). The use of electric, open flame or space heaters and/or air conditioning units are prohibited. Cooking or any heat/flame food preparation is not allowed in the barn area.

Rule 9: FIRE REGULATIONS: The area around the exhibit building and barn area must be kept free of motor vehicles. Roping off or blocking of aisles in barn area is prohibited. This includes blocking aisles with drapes or other obstructions. Exit doors shall not be blocked with any type of equipment (generators, hay, vehicles) even if overhead doors are open. No combustible materials are allowed in any barn. Designated fire lanes must be kept clear. Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas will be towed away and subject to recovery of the towing fee from the owner. Additionally, the following mandates provided by the Oklahoma City Fire Marshal's Office must be adhered to:

OKC CITY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE SPECIAL EVENTS FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY FOR LIVESTOCK:

1. There shall be NO plastic or vinyl material in the barns, covering for stalls, or used for temporary security of retail vendor booths.
2. NO TWO (2) CONTINUOUS STALLS PER AISLE, SHALL BE COVERED AT ANY TIME.
3. Only stalls for tack storage, entertainment, or resting can be covered on the top, and will require a working smoke detector. (See #4)
4. The stalls can only be covered in a red rosin construction grade paper or butcher block paper, cheesecloth, either regular or restaurant type grade, or 100% cotton sheet.
5. Any stalls that are covered containing electrical appliances, (refrigerator, microwave, coffee pots) are required to have an operating smoke detector.
6. Any aisle space between stalls can be covered only if equal open space to material does not exceed **4 feet**. If your material is maximum **4 feet** then the open space between the materials shall be a minimum of **4 feet**.
7. Combustible storefront or stall fronts **shall** be treated in ACCORDANCE WITH NFPA 701 to make them flame retardant and a certificate or similar proof is supplied to the Fire Marshal's Office prior to its application. Material that is being treated by user must be done in the presence of an Inspector from the OKC Fire Marshal's Office.
8. No portable heaters of any type are allowed in OKC Fair Park livestock facilities.
9. Awnings shall not extend out from stalls any further than **4 feet**.
10. **NO** tents or canopies are allowed inside the barns, arena, or livestock areas, unless they are NFPA 701 certified. This includes but no limited to EZ-UP style pop up tents.
11. **NO SMOKING** will be permitted in the Arena or Livestock area(s) (Barns).

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12. **NO** hay, straw, shavings, or similar combustible materials used for decorations are permitted within any facility unless they have been treated in ACCORDANCE WITH NFPA 701 to make them flame retardant and a certificate or similar proof is supplied to the OKC Fire Marshal's Office prior to its application. (Hay or straw for animals is permissible and can be kept in stall areas for feeding and or bedding).
13. Combustible trash shall be removed at least once a day during the period the arena/exhibit is occupied.
14. **NO PROPANE CYLINDERS** that have LPG in them are allowed inside any public assembly area without approval/permit from OKC Fire Marshal's Office.

For additional information regarding fire regulations and fire code compliance, please reach out to the Oklahoma City Fire Marshal's Office Lt. Gary Jackson Sr. Inspector-Special Events Oklahoma City Fire Marshal's Office: 405-297-3418 Email: gary.jackson@okc.gov

Rule 10: There is **NO SMOKING** allowed in any exhibit buildings, barns, and arenas at the Oklahoma State Fair.

SECTION 8 – OSF HORSE SHOW OFFICE

The Oklahoma State Fair Horse Show office will be located in the northeast corner of the Performance Arena (Barn 6), and the telephone number that will be in effect after September 14, 2026, will be 405-948-6788. The OSF show office will be open in that location on September 21 starting at 12 noon. From September 22-September 27, it will be open at least one hour prior to the scheduled start of each day's classes and will close ½ hour after the end of the last class or no later than 9 p.m., whichever comes first. All entry changes **MUST** be made through the designated horse show office in the Performance Arena.

SECTION 9 – CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY for Oklahoma State Fair managed equine events:

Rule 1: No refunds will be available for any cancellations with regard to the Equine Empowerment Horse Show. For the OSF Heavy Horse Show: No refunds will be considered for any entries cancelled without original OSF Veterinary {or Physician} Cancellation Form completed IN ENTIRETY and submitted **with all required support documentation/information** to OSF Horse Show Office by 4 p.m. on the day prior to the originally intended and entered first class for pertinent horse. Entry fees and the value of stall fees pertinent to this horse {exhibitor} **ONLY** will be refunded with acceptable documentation as described and noted herein. Processing fee, office fees, admission and/or parking fees, etc., will not be included in refund. Expect up to 60 days for refunds, depending on date of request, which will be mailed to the person/company who was named on the account paying for the original entry fees. Contact the Horse Show Office for the appropriate form.

Rule 2: Exhibitors with \$10.00 or more credit on their accounts seeking refunds of said credit **MUST** submit a written request for refund to the Horse Show Office no later than September 21, 2025. Expect up to 60 days for credit refunds to be processed. No credit refunds for less than \$10.00 will be processed.

SECTION 10 – AWARDS/PREMIUMS:

No ribbons, trophies or other material awards will be mailed. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to claim their earned award at the time of presentation. **See specifications provided with each show/breed/discipline with regard to awards, prizes, ribbons and/or prize money/premiums.**

SECTION 11 – FEES:

See each breed/show/event section (Competition Guide) for specific class entry fees, stall fees, etc.

SECTION 12 – ADMISSION:

Rule 1: Outside gate admission [CREDENTIALS: ARMBANDS OR TICKETS] will be required for ALL exhibitors, owners, handlers, trainers, employees, and/or guests each day upon arrival. ADMISSION WILL NOT BE ALLOWED WITHOUT CREDENTIALS PRESENTED UPON ARRIVAL.

Reminder: Individual single day admission tickets and/or season passes will NOT be available for purchase through the entry process. ANY ADDITIONAL ADMISSION TICKETS NEEDED MUST BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE OK STATE FAIR WEBSITE IN ADVANCE OF ARRIVAL OR AT THE GATE UPON ARRIVAL. (Refer to okstatefair.com/information/hours-admissions/ for additional information regarding advance/other discount ticket options.)

Be aware that all gates may not be open for ticket sales prior to 10 a.m. **It is strongly encouraged that exhibitors and guests purchase sufficient/additional tickets prior to arrival.**

Rule 2: Owners/Exhibitors entering the Oklahoma State Fair Heavy Horse Show (ONLY) will be allotted period specific armband(s) which must be placed on the wrist of the attending exhibitor/owner/trainer and/or agent and will allow bearer Fair admission through applicable admission gates for the period of time indicated on the armband. Armbands cannot be traded or transferred to another individual, and will be allocated to original OSF Heavy Horse Show entries submitted in entirety no later than August 31. Complimentary Armbands will be allotted based on the number of horses entered per ownership entity as follows: 1-2 horses entered: 2 armbands; 3-4 horses entered: 3 armbands; 5+ horses entered: 4 armbands (maximum).

For the Oklahoma State Fair Heavy Horse Show ONLY: A limit of two (2) additional armbands for the period September 21-27 can be purchased at a cost of \$35.00 each with original entries submitted and paid no later than August 31, 2026, while supply lasts. Armbands will not be provided or available for new entries received after August 31, 2026. Any/all additional admission/ticket needs MUST be purchased through the Oklahoma State Fair website in advance or at the gate upon arrival. Refer to www.okstatefair.com for additional information regarding advance/other discount ticket options. Individual tickets cannot be purchased with entries.

Rule 3:

- a) **NEW IN 2026: For exhibitors entered no later than August 31 in the Oklahoma State Fair Heavy Horse Show:** pre-purchased Exhibitor armband(s), and/or parking passes will be distributed upon arrival at Gate 7 during the allowable arrival hours noted in the applicable competition guide. NO CREDENTIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE from the Horse Show Office in the NE corner of the Performance Arena. “Credentials” will be listed under the exhibitor’s or owner’s last name as entered. NONE will be mailed. Additional exhibitor armbands cannot be purchased after entry deadline of August 31, 2026. Lost, damaged or destroyed armbands will not be replaced.
- b) For exhibitors, reported guests and associates of the Therapeutic Riding Centers entered in the Oklahoma State Fair Equine Empowerment Horse Show: All pre-allotted admissions (“Credentials”) will be mailed to the entering entity prior to the Fair and must be distributed accordingly by the entering entity (i.e. Therapeutic riding Center or volunteer head or ownership entity).

SECTION 13 – CLASS SCHEDULES/GATE CALLS:

Management reserves the right to rearrange, cancel and/or combine classes if necessary to compensate for insufficient or excessive entries or time shortages. Individual work classes may be subject to specified work order draw. All exhibitors will work in the order drawn and designated. Exhibitors not at the gate to work in their designated draw order will not be allowed to work in that class. Work or draw order may be revised to allow for single exhibitor/multiple horse work convenience. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be sure that his/her animal is at the gate at the appropriate time. Every effort will be made to maintain a working public address system to provide class calls, etc; however, no protest will be upheld nor will any section or class/schedule be changed on the basis of public address system malfunction. The two-minute limit for gates will be strictly enforced. The gate will close two minutes after the first animal enters the ring or in cases with large classes taking more than two minutes, at the completion of final animal in a continuous string of animals.

SECTION 14 – BACK NUMBERS/EXHIBITOR NUMBERS for Oklahoma State Fair Horse Shows:

Each horse/team and/or exhibitor entered in the OSF Horse Shows will be assigned individual numbers. Numbers provided by the OSF Horse Show Dept. **MUST** be worn/displayed by each entry to allow entrance in any given class and in accordance with any breed specific rules regarding back numbers. Numbers will be assigned per show/per discipline/per event. Not displaying correct numbers may result in disqualification and/or failure to be awarded correct awards, points and/or premiums.

SECTION 15 – EXHIBITOR CONDUCT:

Rule 1: Exhibitors are hereby notified that any act of discourtesy, abusive language or profanity, threats, disobedience or disrespect by them, their riders, drivers, grooms, trainers and/or agents to the Judges, Stewards, Announcers, or any other Show Official or Staff shall cause the forfeiture of any awards and/or premium money won and that they may be asked to leave the show grounds. Horse Show Management shall have full power to act in issuing a ruling in such cases and may deny participation in future Oklahoma State Fair Horse Shows/competitions/events.

Rule 2: Refer to the OSF Animal Welfare Policy