

EXHIBIT RELEASE PROCEDURE

4-H Building

4-H Building doors will be locked at 5:45 p.m. Monday and reopened at 6:00 p.m. At this time, exhibitors must enter the building using the side doors only. The center entrance will be used to exit the building. Large exhibits must be carried to the parking lot, as no vehicles will be allowed to drive up to the building. For those who must bring their vehicle to the exhibit building for loading, release will be on Tuesday following the Fair, from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Livestock Barns

All vehicles picking up livestock will park in the Over Flow Parking Lot (East Side of Road) off of the North end of Bishop Street. No vehicles will be allowed to exit this parking lot until they are released by a Fair Board Member after 6:00 p.m. All vehicles will be required to have a species-specific card and must receive permission from the Fair Board member to enter the Fairgrounds. Once released from the Over Flow Lot, vehicles and trailers will travel South on Bishop Street and enter the Fairgrounds at Gate #5. Once inside the gate, turn right prior to the Poultry Barn to head West down Livestock Avenue. You will be loading on the North side of most of the barns with the exception of the Beef barn which will be on the South side. Once you have loaded all of your animals and equipment, you must exit out of Gate #2 to head home. NO ONE will be allowed to park on Bishop Street or Fairview Drive. If we get an abundant amount of rain, we will look into parking along the North side of Douglas Drive and then on the West side of County Road E to Hwy 23. NO ONE will be allowed to park anywhere on Highway 23.

Sheboygan County Fair Board & Plymouth Police Department

CODE OF ETHICS

Exhibitors shall at all times conduct themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. This code applies to Junior as well as Open class exhibitors who compete at the Sheboygan County Fair. This code will be enforced at all events held at the Sheboygan County Fair Park and during the Sheboygan County Fair.

1. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors will not be allowed and could result in penalties as listed in number (4) below.
2. Tampering, and/or inhumane treatment; and/or misrepresentation as to breeding, age, ownership and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception.
3. To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity in the livestock shows, the Sheboygan County Fair reserves the right to disqualify any animal fitted in an unethical manner and disqualify the exhibitor. Unethical fitting shall include, but not limited to, any surgical or unethical insertion of any matter under the skin or into body cavities, performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body (e.g., administration of fluid via a stomach tube or other similar apparatus to fill the rumen), though not to preclude practices required or involved in normal management. It shall also include attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development, dyeing or coloring hair, adding artificial tail heads, switches, polls, hair and heels. The use of clenbuterol is prohibited. Treating the animal, particularly the udder, internally or externally with an irritant or counter-irritant, using a device to artificially create or enhance the udder crease will be in violation of the ethics code. Along with that using of other substances as detected by testing that causes changes in the udder to artificially improve the conformation. Plugging of teat canal with foreign substances will not be allowed.
4. All exhibitors, their immediate family and any other parties involved in the unethical fitting and showing of an animal will be subject to award(s) and premium(s) forfeiture, which may include the forfeiture of auction proceeds; and/or dismissal from the fairgrounds; and/or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation has occurred and/or from all departments entered; and/or in future competition in the Sheboygan County Fair.

Sheboygan County Fair Board

Wisconsin Administrative Code ATCP 160-County & District Fairs
Subchapter 1 General Requirements and Definitions

ATCP 160.01 Definitions

1. Breed Class and breeding class mean a specific breed within a class such as Holstein in the dairy class.
2. Class means a grouping in which exhibits may be entered, including an animal breed or age group for animal exhibits; a type of produce, crop or food; or a specific age, age group or educational grade level of exhibitor.
 - 2m. Conference judging means a judging system using a discussion about each exhibit within the entire group.
3. Danish judging system means a judging system that allows for multiple first, second, third and fourth class selections as provided in s.ATCP 160.91 (4)(b).
4. Department as it related to the organizational structure of a fair, means an animal species, production group, or other principal classification of exhibits. As used in any other context, department means the state of Wisconsin department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.
5. Division means one of 3 exhibitor group classifications for a fair and is limited to junior division, open division and senior citizens division.
6. Entry class means a class in which the fair allows exhibitors to submit entries.
7. Exotic domestic animals means an animal that is not a common farm animal.
- 7e. Face to face judging means a judging system using a semiprivate discussion between the judge and the exhibitor with the following phases:
 - a. Get acquainted
 - b. Learn the background of the exhibit
 - c. Self-evaluation
 - d. Evaluator comment
 - e. Parting
- 7m. Fair means a county or district fair eligible to receive state aid under s. 93.23 (1)(b) or (c), Stats.
- 7s. Fair board means the governing entity of a fair.
8. Lot or lot number means the numerical designation assigned by a fair for a specific category of exhibits within a class.
9. Market class means a class that includes animals of a certain weight for the species that can be sold for slaughter.
10. Premium means a monetary prize that a fair awards to an exhibitor after judging all competing exhibits in the class to which the premium pertains.
11. Regular judging system means a judging system that allows for one first, second, third and fourth class selection as provided in s. ATCP 160.91 (4)(c).
12. Self-determined project means a project that meets all of the following:
 - a. It is approved by the fair board.
 - b. Its subject matter is related to any of the junior fair departments 9, 10, 13, 16, 18 or 20 to 29.
 - c. It does not fall into a defined entry class within any department.
 - d. It is carried out by a member of a youth organization.
13. Youth organization means an organization under adult leadership that has educational programming.

ATCP 160.02 Premium Requirements

1. General

- a. The state aid authorized by s. 93.23 (1), Stats., may be paid on net premiums paid by a fair. The department may withhold state premium aid from any fair that does not enforce animal health provisions under ch. ATCP 10 that are applicable to animals exhibited at the fair. State aid will be paid only on premiums actually paid by bank check or draft.
- b. No deductions may be made from premium money won by an exhibitor. Premiums may, however, be withheld where exhibition rules established by the fair association are violated. A written statement of violation shall be submitted to the department to justify actions taken by a fair.
- c. Premiums offered shall be definite in amount. No decrease or increase in published premiums may be made because of the financial condition or the organization or for any other reason.
- e. No fair may receive state aid for a premium awarded to any exhibitor in the open division if that exhibitor entered the same exhibit in the junior division at the same fair. This paragraph does not apply if the exhibit was entered in the junior division only as part of a herd group, carcass class or performance class.
- f. No state aid will be paid on the cost of ribbons, cups, trophy prizes or entertainment contests.

2. Premium Lists

- a. Premiums for which state aid is requested by county and district fairs shall conform with the uniform premium list and other requirements set forth in these rules. Fairs requesting state aid for net premiums shall submit to the department a printed copy of the premium list used at the fair, as required under s. ATCP 160.92 (3)(c).
- b. The officers of each fair shall mail a copy of the premium list to other associations, societies, or boards conducting a fair in Wisconsin upon request.
- c. Section ATCP 160.01 through 160.07 and 160.91 shall be published in premium books used by a fair for which state aid is requested.

3. Entry Fees

- a. A fair may charge an exhibitor an entry fee or charge stall rents for animals, or both.
- b. Exhibitors in department 35 shall not be required to purchase an exhibitor's ticket. Any other exhibitor may be required, if no entry fee is charged, to purchase an exhibitor's season ticket at a price not to exceed that charged for a non-exhibitor's season ticket.

4. Split Fair Dates

- a. For purposes of this subsection, "split fair dates" occur when a fair organization judges exhibits or contests and pays premiums at more than one time or at more than one location during the calendar year.
- b. Except as provided under par. (c), the department may not pay state aid for a fair having split dates unless the department gives advance written approval for a split fair. The department may approve split dates based on hardship.
- c. The department may pay state aid for the following exhibits or contests in a fair having split dates with advanced notification to the department:
 1. Clothing Revue
 2. Demonstrations
 3. Favorite foods revue
 4. Dogs
 - 4m. Cats
 5. Small animals
 6. Rocketry
 7. Shooting sports
 - 7m. Mechanical projects
8. Other exhibits and contests that are similar to those identified in subs. 1. To 7.
- d. If there are split dates under par. (b) or (c), all blue ribbon winners shall repeat their demonstrations or exhibits at the regular fair dates unless the department grants a hardship exemption. An exhibitor may use audio-visual media, still photography or an educational display to repeat a demonstration or exhibit.

ATCP 160.03 Exhibition Requirements

A fair shall meet all of the exhibition requirements of this section to be eligible for state premium aid.

1. No fair society or other organization sponsoring a fair may require an exhibitor to become a member of the organization in order to enter an exhibit at the fair, nor may the sponsoring organization make any deduction from an exhibitor's premium as a donation to the fair society, or require an exhibitor in any other way to make a donation to the society.
2. State aid may not be approved for out-of-state exhibits or for separate classes of local and non-local exhibitors. Aid may not be approved for payment of premiums to an exhibitor having an out-of-state address but claiming Wisconsin residency unless the fair secretary provides the department with an affidavit that the exhibitor's residence is geographically located within the state.
3. State aid may be paid only on articles or animals actually on display in an exhibit building or actually shown in the show ring on regular fair dates unless approval for split fair dates is obtained under s. ATCP 160.02 (4). State aid may not be paid on Dairy Herd Improvement Association records, transportation aid, production contests or other special education exhibits unless prior approval is obtained under s. ATCP 160.49 (7).
4. State aid may not be paid on exhibits removed from the fairgrounds before 4 p.m. on the last day of the fair, or such other later time as may be specified by the fair, without prior approval of the department. Authority for earlier removal may be granted by the department in case of meat animal sales or other special classes, if requested before the beginning of the fair. In other hardship cases, approval may be granted by the fair. Exhibits in dog obedience and small animal pet classes may be judged during the entire fair. The fair may prescribe the length of time junior fair exhibitors of horses shall keep their animal on the ground.

ATCP 160.05 Open division; general requirements

1. The total maximum premiums set forth for all places in any open division livestock class, excluding poultry and rabbits, may be divided into multiple premiums for a greater number of places, but the maximum premium offered for any additional place shall not be higher than the maximum for the last place in the class.
2. All animals in any open division class shall be owned by the exhibitor, except as provided in s. ATCP 160.09.

3. State aid may be paid on no more than 2 premiums awarded an exhibitor under one premium or lot number in open division individual livestock classes, except poultry and rabbits, and no more than one premium in all other classes, including poultry and rabbits.
5. The fair board may establish specific classes by professional and amateur level groupings within classes for open class departments 14 to 28.

ATCP 160.07 Classes; general requirements

1. Classes may be combined if the number of entries in several single classes is insufficient. If any classes are combined, state aid shall be limited to the maximum total premiums listed for a single class of animals, items or articles in that department.
2.
 - a. Except as provided under par. (b), no fair may receive state aid for premiums awarded for sexually intact male dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep, goats, swine or horses unless those animals are registered. Registered status shall be documented by a certificate of registry from the appropriate breed association or society, or by a copy of the application for registration.
 - b. Paragraph (a) does not apply to dairy cattle exhibited at a fair if a national breed association certifies that those dairy cattle are recorded in that breed association's qualified herd book which records the genealogy of that breed.
3. Any animals entered as part of a group class may also be exhibited in a class for individual animals.
4. Boars may not be entered as an exhibit in the swine department unless their tusks have been removed.
5. The age of an animal, for purposes of determining its entry class under this chapter, shall be determined as of the opening day of the fair.

ATCP 160.39 Senior citizens division; general requirements

1. The age of exhibitors in the senior citizens division is limited to persons 62 years of age or over.
2. Exhibitors in the senior citizens division may not enter identical items or articles in both the senior citizens division and the corresponding classes of the regular open division.
3. State aid may not be used to award more than one premium to an exhibitor in a premium or lot number in the senior citizens division.

ATCP 160.49 Junior fair division, general

1. In the junior fair division, the department may pay state aid on prizes offered to exhibitors who are ages 8 to 20 years of age on January 1 of the current fair year and exhibitors who are 5 to 9 years of age on January 1 of the current fair year who are exhibiting under s. ATCP 160.65. A fair board may establish specific entry classes within each department. A fair board may establish subgroups within a junior fair entry class based on the exhibitor's age or grade in school. The department may not pay state aid on prizes for club parades, club floats, song contests, or a project which is not an exhibit or demonstration at the fair.
2. All exhibitors in the junior fair division shall be members of a youth organization approved by the fair board.
3. Exhibits in the junior fair shall be the product of the exhibitor's own labor. An exhibit may include a study project, merit project or other special project, a skill area, or a supervised occupational experience in which the exhibitor is regularly enrolled, provided that the fair board approves the project, skill area, or supervised occupational experience as an exhibit.
4. State aid may not be used to award more than one premium to an exhibitor in a premium or lot number in the junior fair division, except for any of the following:
 - a. A premium may be awarded to each member of a group that collectively owns and enters a livestock exhibit in departments one to 5 of subch. IV.
 - b. An exhibitor may receive a separate premium for showmanship where authorized under subch. IV.
 - c. An exhibitor may receive more than one premium in a department for which additional premiums are specifically authorized under subch. IV.
6. Special educational exhibits may be established if the proposal is presented to the department before October 1 of the year preceding its proposed establishment and the exhibit is approved by the department.
7. Within any junior fair department, a fair may establish special classes where none are specified under this subchapter. Special classes may include classes for grade and crossbred females in the beef, swine, sheep and horse departments. Premiums for special classes created under this subsection shall be equal to premiums for comparable classes established in the same department under this subchapter.
8. The fair board may establish specific classes by age or grade level groupings within classes for each of the junior fair departments 14 to 16, 18, 20 to 29, 31, 33, and 34.
9. Judging in the junior fair division may be done using the regular, face to face, conference or Danish judging system.

ATCP 160.91 Judging regulations

1. Judging shall be done at fairs by individuals who are registered with the department. In no case shall any person who is an officer or director of a fair be eligible to judge exhibits at such fair; nor shall any person interested directly or indirectly in exhibits shown in any department of a fair be eligible to judge articles or animals in that department.

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 - a. An individual shall register by submitting to the department an application. The department shall register all individuals who qualify to be judges, including having the knowledge, training, or experience in the specific classes to be judged and adhering to ethical judging practices. The registration is valid for five years.
 - b. An individual submitting an application after July 1 may not judge for the current fair year.
 - c. A fair representative may request the department waive par. (b) in cases of unanticipated emergency situations.
2. Each judge at a fair shall be provided with a copy of the fair's premium book or list of entry classes at least 7 days prior to the opening date of the fair.
3. No animal or article, irrespective of the number of entries in the class in which it is entered, shall be awarded a higher rating than its merit would entitle it to in comparison to the standard of perfection in the class.
4.
 - a. Danish system judging may be used in the junior fair division. State aid may not be paid on premiums awarded under the Danish system in any other division.
 - b. When classes in the junior fair division are judged according to the Danish system, 4 group placings shall be awarded in any class. When there are less than 8 exhibitors in the class, there shall not be more than 2 in the first group, not more than 4 in the first 2 groups and not more than 6 in the first 3 groups. If there are 8 or more entries in the class, there shall not be more than 25% in the first group, not more than 50% in the first 2 groups, and not more than 75% in the first 3 groups.
 - c. The number of awards in the last group placing may be increased to the extent necessary to give awards to all exhibitors.
- 4g. When classes in the junior fair division are judged using the conference judging system, the judge shall use sub. (4)(b) and (c) to award placements in a class.
5. If any class of exhibits at a fair is judged according to the regular system, the judges for that class may give only one first-place, one second-place, one third-place and one fourth-place award in that class.