

OPEN CLASS



GENERAL RULES

1. Register for all Open Class here: <http://allencounty-openclass.fairentry.com>. If you don't have computer access, computers will be available when we receive entries at the recreation building on Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday prior to the fair. Specific dates and times will be listed closer to the event.
2. Livestock entries (beef, sheep, and dairy) must be submitted two weeks before the fair's opening date.
3. All Open Class Exhibits must be in place by 12 p.m. Thursday. 4-H participants should check their specific department guidelines for exhibit placement times.
4. Stalls and pens must be kept clean at all times. Arrange for pen cleaning before removing animals from the fairgrounds. Exhibitors who fail to clean their pens and surrounding area may forfeit some or all of their premiums. The department superintendent will assess any penalties.
5. Every 4-H steer may undergo a mouth examination. The age eligibility for show steers will be determined solely by tooth development. Steers with fully emerged and worn permanent incisors will be disqualified from the show, as judged by the official in charge.
6. All livestock must be representative of their respective breeds.
7. All livestock, except horses, must be owned by exhibitors from Allen, Woodson, Bourbon, Anderson, Coffey, Neosho, Wilson, or Linn counties.
8. A champion ribbon will be awarded only when four or more animals per breed are shown.
9. Horses must be ridden exclusively in the arena area. They are strictly prohibited on the dike or in any area south of the livestock barns. Anyone violating this rule will be required to leave the fairgrounds.
10. Exhibitors and visitors who bring any property onto the fairgrounds do so at their own risk. While the association and its employees will take every precaution to protect such property, they assume no liability for supervision over exhibits. The fairgrounds are not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen items.
11. All exhibits must remain on the fairgrounds for the duration of the fair.
12. Exhibitors are limited to two entries in individual classes and one entry in group classes. No entry may compete in both breeding and market or feeder classes.
13. When an exhibitor faces little or no competition, entries will be judged and premiums awarded based on the exhibit's merit.
14. The fair reserves the right to prorate premiums if funds are insufficient to pay the full amount.
15. Refer to individual department guidelines for additional specific rules.
16. Exhibitors must collect their property at the fair's conclusion. Exhibits cannot be removed or rearranged before 8 p.m. on Sunday, and proper identification is required. Premiums won't be paid during checkout but will be available from 8 a.m. on Monday. Any unclaimed money will become Fair Board property on October 3rd.
17. Sexually explicit content, obscene language, or inappropriate imagery on clothing, stickers, posters, or any other materials are strictly prohibited on the fairgrounds.
18. The fair management reserves the right for its board to interpret rules and regulations, and to settle all matters, questions, and differences related to them. When no existing rule covers a situation, the board will create necessary rules and determine how to apply them. For matters not addressed in this book, the Kansas State Fair's rules and regulations will serve as a guide.



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19. The Community Building will be closed to the public on Thursday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. for exhibit entry and judging.
20. Commercial booth setup is available on Thursday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
21. Roller blades and skateboards are prohibited inside fair buildings.
22. Distribution of political or religious materials is prohibited without renting a booth at the fair.
23. RVs are not permitted on the fairgrounds before the Wednesday of the fair week.
24. Stock trailers without living quarters, and not in use for a specific event, must park in the designated area north of the fairgrounds during fair week.