



## 2026 Saratoga County Fair General Rules & Regulations

1. Any person, 18 years or older and eligible to vote in New York State, may become a member of the Saratoga County Agricultural Society, and be entitled to all privileges of this Society for one year following payment of membership: \$20 Single Membership  
A single Membership entitles you to one vote at the Annual Meeting held in October.
2. Each Cattle, County Draft Horse, and Goat, Show exhibitor will receive six (6) free day passes upon submitting entries, good for one (1) admission per day for the entire week. In addition, each exhibitor will be able to purchase up to two (2) packets of six (6) one day admission tickets for \$40 per packet only at the time of entry. All general re-entry rules will apply with NO exceptions. A one day admission ticket or season ticket allows admission to the grounds ONLY. A hang tag will be required to park on the grounds.
3. Any season ticket holder of this Society who loans or transfers his ticket to any other person not entitled to use it will forfeit the season ticket.
4. There is a **No Vehicle** rule in effect. There will be no vehicles allowed after 10am daily. All transactions with vehicles, such as feeding animals, loading and unloading, deliveries, etc., must be done between the hours of 6am and 10am daily. There will be no parking at the horse barns except during these hours. Emergency vehicles are excluded from this rule.
5. All gambling or immoral shows are forbidden on the grounds of the Saratoga County Agricultural Society, and any renter of privileges who shall violate any of the provisions of this section will be arrested and summarily ejected from the grounds and will forfeit any money which he has paid. **There will be no selling of raffle tickets.** Free giveaways are allowed.
6. No prize money will be paid on articles or animals not listed in this Exhibitor Handbook.
7. Farmers who had a payroll of \$1200 or more the previous year must file with entries proof of compensation insurance coverage.

8. *Deliveries and solicitors:* Delivery of merchandise, articles of food, soft drinks, or service or the solicitation of business and orders from concessionaires, exhibitors, and others on the fairgrounds are prohibited until such delivery persons, solicitors, or firms they represent have made arrangement for such delivery and solicitation through the General Manager.

9. There will be no refunds of entry fees for any reason, except when in the best interest of public and/or animal safety. Any department exhibit and/or show may be cancelled by the Saratoga County Agricultural Society Board of Directors at any time without notice. In that event, entry fees for those classes cancelled may be refunded, or premium monies equitably distributed among the class entrants, but not both. The decision of the Saratoga County Agricultural Society will be final.

10. Exhibitors in the Cattle, Draft Horse, Sheep and Goat Departments wishing space for a camper **must** request so in writing to the fair office on or before June 15, 2026. A limited amount of camper space may be available. Should there be more requests than space available, a committee of the livestock superintendents will determine, based on need, those who will be offered spots at the exhibitor camping rate, and will notify them by July 1, 2026. Camping spaces are not transferable, and will only be verified with paid entries.

11. The Saratoga County Agricultural Society reserves the right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine matters, questions and differences that may arise in connection with the Fair and reserves the sole right to amend or add to these rules as they see fit.

***Premium checks must be cashed within  
30 days of issue. No exceptions!***

**Absolutely no sales or transfers of ownership of exhibits shall occur on the fairgrounds during Fair week.**  
**No "For Sale" signs will be allowed on individual exhibits.**

A promotional area may be set up  
at the discretion of the department superintendent  
in one place in the exhibit area  
for those exhibitors wishing to advertise items for sale.

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## 2026 Saratoga County Fair Open Class Entries

1. **Time and Place for making entries:** Entries may be made by mail to The Saratoga County Agricultural Society, Entry Office, 162 Prospect St., Ballston Spa, NY 12020, **anytime until July 11.**

**Entries may be made in person at the Entry Office:**

<b>Wednesday July 8</b>	<b>10am-4pm</b>
<b>Thursday July 9</b>	<b>10am-4pm</b>
<b>Friday July 10</b>	<b>10am-5pm</b>
<b>Saturday July 11</b>	<b>10am-5pm</b>

2. **Closing of entries:** Entries cannot be made after the closing date, **July 11, at 5pm** except in the case of an emergency and then **only by written permission from the Superintendent** of the department, whose judgment will be final.

3. **Entries to be made in the owner's name:** Entries are to be made in the name of the actual owner, grower, producer or manufacturer. Exhibits must be owned 30 days before the closing entry date.

4. **Entry requirements:** Each exhibitor must be a resident of Saratoga County unless entered in an open class. Junior exhibitors must be 17 years of age or under. A free pass is available for Junior exhibitors providing they enter and bring a minimum of 2 exhibits and pay the required entry fee(s) and are not a member of 4-H.

5. **Entries limited to capacity:** All entries will be limited to the capacity of our buildings and will be recorded in the order received. The Fair reserves the right to reject all entries after the capacity has been reached.

Anyone wishing to pick up entry tags prior to bringing in their exhibits may do so at the Entry Office on **Friday, July 18, 2pm-7pm; Saturday, July 19, 9am-3pm, Sunday, July 20, 10am-Noon; or Monday, July 21, 9am-5pm**

6. Please check carefully in the Exhibitor Handbook under the departments you are entering for the **date and time** when you should **bring your exhibits to the fairgrounds.** **Release dates and times** for all exhibits are also listed in each department.

7. **Premium checks:** All premium checks must be cashed within 30 days of issue. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

8. **Bedding and care of livestock:** No shavings or bedding will be provided for cattle, horses or goats. Exhibitors must bring their own. Exhibitors must be with and care for their livestock.

9. **Rabies vaccine:** The Saratoga County Agricultural Society policy is: All animals that are capable of receiving the rabies vaccine are to be immunized in sufficient time prior to Fair. A certificate of rabies vaccination, signed by an accredited veterinarian, will be required by all departments. Please see individual animal departments for guidelines for submittal of proof of rabies paperwork.

10. **Liability:** Every possible protection and courtesy will be extended to exhibitors at the Saratoga County Fair; but the Board will not be responsible for any injury or loss of exhibits, animals or equipment in the case of fire, theft, or loss from other causes; and the Society will not assume liability for personal injury sustained either by exhibitors, helpers, visitors or guests.

11. **Any exhibits left after 30 days become the property of the Fair Association.**

### Show Times

Show times are subject to change to accommodate the competitions in the best manner possible.

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