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**NO VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED DOWN THE MIDWAY OF THE FAIRGROUNDS AFTER 10AM**  
**NO SMOKING** is permitted in any building on the fairgrounds.  
**NO DOGS** or **OTHER PETS** are permitted on the fairgrounds, except for service animals.  
**NO BICYCLES** or **SKATEBOARDS** on the fairgrounds.

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY THE FAIR OFFICE AT ONCE - (607)776-4801**

Any environmental disasters, spills, etc. all cost involved is the responsibility of the individual at fault.

Violation of any of the above rules and regulations will subject the violator to be removed from the fairgrounds. Violators may also be arrested and fined as per 51409 of the State of New York.

The First Aid Station is located adjacent to the Grange Dining Hall. Call the fair office for immediate assistance. Report all accidents to the fair office.

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Contact the fair office at 15 E. Washington Street, Bath, NY, or call (607)776-4801.

### **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL ENTRIES**

**Open Classes** have no age restrictions. **Youth Classes** are for ages 21 and under.

Entries or animals brought to the Steuben County Fair are at risk of the owners. Society will not be responsible for any loss by fire, water, theft or otherwise. Address all inquiries concerning entries to: Steuben County Agricultural Society, 15 E Washington St, Bath, NY 14810. Or call the fair office at 607-776-4801.

Society reserves the right to reject or refuse any entry. Entry fees will not be refunded.

Exhibitors may not sell goods or distribute merchandise, printed or written material. Exhibitors are not allowed to call attention to their entry. If you do not wish to keep your ribbon or rosette, return it to your superintendent or the fair office. Open class exhibitors are not allowed to camp on the fairgrounds.

#### **PREMIUM AWARDS:**

**Awards** and premiums are according to the decision of the judge and as recorded in the judge's book.

**Premiums** will be issued by check and will not be mailed. Checks will be available at the fair office on Sunday, the last day of the fair, or when you pick up your entry on Monday.

**Notice of errors**, or claims of incorrect payment of premiums, must be made to the Secretary before September 15th following the fair. After September 15th the Secretary reserves the right to decline to make corrections or adjust errors.

**Should weather** or an unexpected event occur at the fair to reduce the net receipts below the requirement for premiums, the Board of Directors reserves the right to pay premiums on a prorated basis after all expenses have been paid. Premiums may also be affected by a lack of state funding.

**Appeals** to the Board of Directors regarding the awards of the judges are only allowed in regular sections and only in cases where bias is shown on the part of the judge. All appeals must be

presented to the Secretary in writing within 5 business days after the conclusion of the fair and be accompanied by a fee of \$25.00. If the appeal is sustained, the fee of \$25.00 will be refunded; otherwise, it goes to the Society.

**JUDGING:**

Any entry without the proper entry tag attached will not be judged. If there is only one entry in a section, the entry will be judged accordingly, as in the judge's opinion of what it deserves. Awards will not be issued if judge determines the entry is not worthy. The judge will exclude anyone that has violated any of the rules and regulations of this fair. A judge cannot judge a section in which they have either direct or indirect interest in an entry. Any exhibitor will be excluded from competition if they interfere with a judge during their judging of entries.

**ENTRY INFORMATION for EXHIBITS**

Exhibitor fee of \$6.00 per exhibitor. Each exhibitor will receive two single-day admission tickets.

All entries must be the work of the named exhibitor from start to finish, and property of the named exhibitor. Fruits, vegetables, flowers, farm produce must be grown by the named exhibitor. Variety printed on front of entry tag. Culinary foods must be processed from start to finish by named exhibitor. No rings on jars. Canned items will be opened. Items previously entered are not allowed to be entered again.

Entry tags and admission tickets will be issued when entry is received. Entries with ribbons will remain on display for the duration of the fair. Any entry left after 6pm will be discarded unless arrangements are made with management prior to the fair.

**Premium checks will be available at time of pickup on Monday. Checks will not be mailed.**

**Arrival and Departure Time Schedule for Exhibits**

**Arrival:**

Exhibits will be accepted Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> - 10am to 3pm and Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> - Noon to 3pm at the back door of the Fair House.

**Departure:**

Exhibits need to be picked up at the back door of Fair House on Monday, Aug 24<sup>th</sup> - 10am to 6pm.

**ENTRY INFORMATION for LIVESTOCK**

**For Animal Health requirements for Admission to New York State and County Fairs 2026 - AI-202 Part 351, go to [www.agriculture.ny.gov/animals](http://www.agriculture.ny.gov/animals) or call 518-457-3502.**

**MOST IMPORTANT**

When you are loading your livestock for the trip, take the time to examine them. Make sure they are the same animals that are on the paperwork and official ID is present and legible. If they are showing any signs of illness, **LEAVE THEM HOME.**

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Exhibitor fee: \$6.00 per exhibitor includes 2 wristbands per exhibitor. Extra wristbands \$20/ea.

Animals must be owned and cared for by exhibitor for at least 30 days prior to the fair.  
Registration papers in the exhibitor's name is required.

Health and registration papers must accompany animals upon arrival and must stay with the animal until the state veterinarian checks them in. Animals cannot be unloaded without these documents.

All animals must comply with NYS Dept of Agricultural and Markets rules and regulations, see above.

Animals must be identified by a USDA approved official ear tag and correspond with their registration papers. If breed associations require tattoos for registration, the animal must have a clearly legible tattoo that corresponds with their registration papers.

Animals must be shown in individual classes to qualify for a pair or group class.

Exhibitors are eligible for up to two premiums per class.

Exhibitors are responsible for feed, hay, and bedding. Extra hay cannot be stored in animal area.

Upon leaving, exhibitors must clean out their pens, remove trash, food, signs, nails, etc. from area.

**Premium checks will be available at the office and will not be mailed.**

<b>Arrival and Departure Time Schedule for Livestock</b>
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	<u>ARRIVAL DAY/TIME</u>	<u>DEPARTURE DAY/TIME</u>
<b>ALL Youth Animals</b>	<b>Monday 10am – 5pm</b>	<b>Sunday 10am</b>
Open Poultry	Sunday 9am – 5pm	Sunday 10am
Youth Market Poultry	Tuesday 7am – 9am	
Open Breeding Sheep/Swine	Monday 10am – 5pm	Wednesday 7pm
Open Dairy Cattle/Cows	Monday 10am – 5pm	Thursday 7pm
Open Dairy Goats	Monday 10am – 5pm / Wednesday 7am – 9am	Wednesday 8pm
Open Meat Goats	Monday 10am – 5pm / Thursday 7am – 9am	Thursday 7pm
Open/Youth Market Lamb	Thursday 7am – 9am	Sunday 10am
Open Beef Cattle	Thursday 7pm – 9pm / Friday 7am – 9am	Friday 7pm