

## **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS PROGRAM**

- The Mower County Fair Board is proud to present the 2017 Mower County Fair attractions and exhibits. Full details will be announced in the press of this area, over radio and television stations and on the website [www.mowercountyfair.com](http://www.mowercountyfair.com). Full information will be sent to individuals upon request. General announcements of the program will be found throughout this document.
- **GATES**
- The Fair will be in operation Tuesday - Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Sunday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- **GENERAL NOTICE**
- The management will appreciate immediate report by patrons experiencing any mistreatment or extortion at the hands of any employee or concessionaire at the fair. Please report any irregularity to the Board immediately. No liquor of any type will be allowed on the Grounds except for that which is purchased in the beer garden or grandstand or designated by the Fair Board. There will be no exceptions. Shirts and shoes required. No animals will be allowed on the fairgrounds during the week of the fair except those involved in exhibition. ATMs are available on grounds near the Grandstand and by the security office. Because many fairgoers have cell phones, there is no public telephone on the fairgrounds. For emergencies contact the security office. **No duplication of tickets or passes will be allowed.**
- **POLICING AND LIABILITY**
- Every precaution for safety of visitors and exhibits will be taken, but the Board assumes no liability for personal injury or for loss or damage of any property of the concessionaires, exhibitors or fair patrons due to theft, fire, tornado, flash floods, weather conditions or any other cause. The society will provide proper policing for night and day but will not be responsible for any loss or damage to articles and animals.
- **LOST AND FOUND**
- Is located in the security office on the fair grounds.
- **CONCESSION POSTINGS**
- All concessions shall post in a conspicuous place in front of the entrance to their place of business a sign giving prices to be charged for meals, drinks, lunches or other articles offered for sale.
- **SOLICITING**
- There will be no permission given for the soliciting of subscriptions on the grounds. **NO PERSON, PARTIES OR ORGANIZATIONS SHALL DISTRIBUTE ANY KIND OF LITERATURE OR SELL ANY ITEMS OTHER THAN FROM A PAID CONCESSION LOCATION. THEY SHALL REMAIN IN THIS LOCATION AT ALL TIMES.**
- **SUBLETTING SPACE**
- Space of any kind cannot be assigned, sublet, disposed of or transferred without the written consent of the commercial space superintendents.
- **EXHIBIT/DISPLAY POLICY**
- No commercial booths or displays may be set up or operated by 4-H and FFA exhibitors, other than in commercial exhibit areas on the fairgrounds where space has been rented from the Mower County Fair, unless prior approval is obtained from the Mower County Fair Board.
- **EXHIBITS LEFT AFTER FAIR**
- Any person, corporation, or club owning any property left on the grounds two weeks after the close of the fair without having approval of the fair board to leave the same shall forfeit the same to the fair board for removal with a charge. Arrangements agreeable to both parties where it so applies will be made for disposing of equipment.
- **CONCESSIONS AND PRIVILEGES**

The Fair Board will use every precaution to guard against extortion in any form practiced upon any patron of the Fair. A violation of this rule by any concessionaire will cause cancellation of his/her contract, forfeiture of all money paid and expulsion from the grounds as the management may direct. The Fair Board authorizes the leasing of only such concession privileges as are required to supply the necessary desires of public or that may add to their comfort, convenience and pleasure. Under no circumstances will privileges of a demoralizing nature be tolerated upon the fair-grounds or in any of the buildings. No concession will be permitted to operate unless operated in a legitimate and businesslike manner. Standards of quality will be enforced. All cook houses, lunch rooms, refreshment booths and other stands must be substantial in structure and their appearance must meet the approval of the Fair Board. All such concession stands may sell only good wholesome food and pure honest merchandise at a reasonable price. Prices must be posted. All articles of food and drink must be kept under glass or screen. Any representative of the Mower County Fair Board shall have access to premises at all times. Each concessionaire must confine themselves to the space assigned. Failure to do so may subject them to cancellation of their contract without reimbursement. Booths and concessions must be manned during all hours the fair is in operation. All concessionaires must stay during the duration of the fair. The operator of a loud speaker shall control volume so as not to interfere with other concessions or become a nuisance to fair patrons

➤ **PARKING**

- Paid parking will be allowed in the parking lots on the grounds. The only vehicles allowed on streets will be service trucks during specific hours and emergency vehicles. **THERE IS LIMITED HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE AVAILABLE** at the regular charge near the Creative Arts and Horticulture Buildings. Motorcycle parking is available in the fairgrounds lots. Absolutely **NO** motorcycle parking will be allowed along the fairgrounds fence or boulevard. Two wheeled vehicles, bicycles, ATVs, golf carts, roller skates, skateboards, long boards, roller blades or scooters **WILL NOT** be allowed on the grounds from August 1-21, 2017 other than those operated by fair personnel or approved by the fair board President.

➤ **OVERNIGHT LIVESTOCK PARKING INFORMATION**

- Overnight livestock parking passes for fair week will go on sale Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the fair office. Sales will be first come first serve with preference given to livestock exhibitors. Purchasers will be allowed **ONE** overnight parking space and it must be occupied by a unit suitable for clothes changing and showering/ bathing. Electrical service is available but not guaranteed. No pass will utilize more than one electrical connection. There are no water or sewer hook ups. The parking pass must list emergency contact information and must be displayed in the window of the unit. **THERE WILL BE NO ADDITIONAL VEHICLES ALLOWED TO PARK IN OVERNIGHT PARKING.** The fair board reserves the right to revoke passes without refund in case of violation of policies.

➤ **PROPERTIES ON FAIRGROUNDS**

- All properties on the fairgrounds of a permanent structure or attached to permanent buildings are the property of the County of Mower and under jurisdiction of the board of directors of the Mower County Agricultural Society. The rules and regulations of the Society have the force of common law of the State of Minnesota as defined by Minnesota Statutes.

➤ **INTERPRETATION OF RULES**

- The management will not be responsible for typographical errors in this book, but should any occur, same will be interpreted by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of an incident at the fair.

➤ **WEATHER CLAUSE**

- If from stormy weather or other causes, the receipts will not pay for the premiums awarded, the premiums will be paid by an equal division of the receipts to the exhibitors, who have been awarded premiums, after paying the expenses of the fair.