

## **Vernon County Fair Exhibitor and Grounds Regulations**

1. Open Class exhibitors/exhibits are limited to Vernon County residents, except for Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Beef Cattle, Sheep and Rabbits classes, these are open to any resident of Wisconsin, pending space availability.
2. Junior Fair exhibitors/exhibits are limited to Vernon County residents and Non-Vernon County residents, if they belong to an approved Vernon County Agricultural Society organization.
3. There shall be no beverages in glass bottles allowed on the grounds. There shall be no smoking in any buildings.
4. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the fairgrounds during fair.
5. All show dogs on the fairgrounds must be on a leash except during showing period in Hanson Arena and have current rabies vaccinations tags. Fair Board Directors and Police officers have the right to eject any dog from the fairgrounds at any time.
6. No dogs allowed on the Vernon County Fair Grounds except for show dogs and service dogs.
7. Exhibitors are responsible for their own exhibits. The Vernon County Agricultural Society will provide reasonable security for all exhibits but assumes no liability for exhibits damaged or lost during the exhibit period.
8. **For your safety barns will be closed during show time to non-exhibitors.**

### **Exhibitor's Entry Information:**

1. All entries, Open Class and Junior Fair Leaders must be turned in at the Vernon County Fairground Office, in Viroqua by 4:30 p.m. **Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
2. Exhibitor's passes must be purchased at the time of making entries.
3. Open class entries may be sent to: Vernon County Ag Society, P.O. Box 388, Viroqua 54665. Make checks payable to Vernon County Agricultural Society. Exhibitor's pass of \$16.00 MUST accompany entries.
4. THERE WILL BE NO ENTRIES REGISTERED OR SUBSTITUTED on check-in day of the fair.
5. Open class passes and registration tags may be picked up at the Fair Office during Pre-Fair office hours.
6. All Junior Fair and Open Class forms can be found on our website at [vernoncountyfair.com](http://vernoncountyfair.com) and can be printed from there. Junior Fair entry emails must be turned into your club leader.
7. All Club signs must be removed from barns by 10pm the Monday after Fair. Room is needed for storage of high equipment in all buildings.

### **All Animal & Non-Animal Check-In Procedures**

1. All Junior Fair and Open Class entries for Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Swine, Horses, Poultry, and Rabbit exhibits must be in place by 6 p.m. on Wednesday week of fair, except for Open Class Dairy and Draft Horses. Open class Dairy Cattle must be in place by 11 a.m. on Thursday week of fair. Check in for Junior Fair and Open Class animals are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Wednesday of the fair and Open Class Dairy Cattle can be checked in on Thursday between 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. week of fair. Check in time for Draft Horses is from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Saturday week of fair.
2. ALL ANIMALS HAVE TO COME IN THE EAST GATE ONLY WHERE THEY WILL BE CHECKED BY A VET BEFORE ENTERING THE FAIRGROUNDS. ANIMALS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER ANY OF THE OTHER GATES EXCEPT HARNESS RACING HORSES IN THE WEST GATE.
3. All animals must have the Vernon County Fair Animal ID and Vet Check-In Information along with Health Papers relating to the animal.
4. The completed Animal ID and Vet Check-In Information will be given to the building Superintendent for Animal ID Verification.
5. Animals that do not have the Animal ID and Vet Check-In Information form will not be allowed onto the fairgrounds.
6. All other Junior Fair and Open class exhibits must be in the exhibit building by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday week of fair.
7. **Exhibit buildings will be open to receive exhibits on Tuesday evening week of fair, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in all classes except livestock, poultry and rabbits.**
8. Superintendent shall have the right to refuse any entries brought in after these time limits.
9. Commercial Exhibitors are encouraged to set up their exhibits on Wednesday week of fair. They must be in place by 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, the week of the fair.
10. Board of Directors reserve the right to reject any exhibits it feels are objectionable.

### **Premise ID's are Required for all Livestock showing at the Vernon County Fair**

If you are entering livestock in the Vernon County Fair (dairy, beef, swine, sheep, chicken and/or horses), it is a Wisconsin State Requirement that a Premise ID be on file with the fair office. Rabbit, dog and cat entries do not require a Premise ID. For more information about Premise ID Requirements, **please visit [www.wiid.org](http://www.wiid.org) or call 1-888-808-1910.**

### **EXHIBIT RELEASE INFORMATION**

- Any exhibit removed from a building before the scheduled release time will not receive a premium. If multiple exhibits by the same exhibitor are removed early. That exhibitor will forfeit all premiums on all exhibits.
- **Release time shall be as follows:**
  - All animal exhibits will be released at 4:00pm on Sunday.
  - All other exhibits (non-animal) will be released at 5:00pm Sunday.
- Buildings close at 6:00pm on Sunday.
- Any exhibits not picked up by 6:00 pm Sunday will be relocated to the Heritage Building (old Senior Building), except for food items which will be disposed immediately for health and safety reasons.
- Any exhibits not picked up within 90 days will be donated or discarded.
- Please contact the fair office at (608) 637-3165 to make arrangements for picking up your exhibits after Sunday.

### **Fair Theme**

This year's theme is **"Old Fashion County Fair"**.

You can use this theme for decorating the buildings, barns and the grounds.