

## **ANIMAL CARE POLICY STATEMENT**

The SEMO District Fair is a showplace for animal agriculture. All animals and livestock shown, housed, or displayed shall receive care that is humane, healthful, and consistent with accepted practices. Cruelty, neglect, or indifference to animal comfort will not be tolerated and will constitute grounds for removal from the premises. Animal care shall be consistent with sound husbandry practices and with rules and regulations set by the SEMO District Fair Board. Professional veterinary care will be available as needed. Animals experiencing illness, injury, or discomfort will be professionally attended by a licensed veterinarian. Exhibits shall reflect the care and concern that Missourians have for livestock, poultry, companion animals, and wildlife.

## **POLICY STATEMENTS**

It is the policy of the Southeast Missouri District Fair that solicitation of any type, including the distribution of trinkets, flyers, pamphlets, baubles, or other merchandise or material shall not be allowed without having been requested or invited to do so and approved by formal action of the Southeast Missouri District Fair Board.

Demonstrations either for or in opposition to an item, activity, or issue will be restricted to assigned concession or vendor space under contract with the Southeast Missouri District Fair.

It is the policy of the Southeast Missouri District Fair that no person shall be allowed to bring or use upon the fairgrounds, any motor scooter, motorbike, motorcycle, coaster sled, skateboard, roller skates, roller blades or diminutive vehicle upon the fairgrounds during the period of the Fair without the approval of the Fair Board. Such policy does not include wheelchairs or other medically necessary devices or vehicles to be used by Fair Board directors in their duties.

It is the policy of the Southeast Missouri District Fair that no pets, including any type of animal, is to be allowed on the fairgrounds during the period of the fair without the approval of the Southeast Missouri District Fair Board. This does not apply to any pets kept under restraint and owned by someone exhibiting show animals or employed by the carnival or concessionaire.

It is the policy of the Southeast Missouri District Fair to not allow the indiscriminate use of laser pointers. Laser pointers may be used in the normal presentation of educational or information events in a formal setting. General possession or use throughout the fairgrounds is prohibited.

It is the policy of the Southeast Missouri District Fair that the following items are banned from the fairgrounds:

1. Potato guns or any other type of toy or instrument under any other name that shoots a projectile by any means;
2. Stink bombs or any other item that puts forth a foul or noxious odor;
3. Brass Knuckles of any style of type;
4. Switchblades, Butterfly or Gravity knives of any style or type.
5. Fireworks of any kind including all classes of fireworks.
6. Firearms of any kind or type.
7. B-B guns, air rifles of any sort or type.
- 8. All concealed weapons are prohibited, with or without permits.**

The Southeast Missouri District Fair reserves the right to update this list without prior notice to vendors on the fairgrounds. Any items the Southeast Missouri District Fair deems as a disturbance of the peace or a nuisance to the public visiting the grounds or as deemed a danger to the public can and will be banned by the Southeast Missouri District Fair Board.

## **SEMO DISTRICT FAIR**

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