

# GENERAL RULES

1. Any person may compete in any class or classes with the exception of classes specifically provided for Central Kansas District, Salina Area 4-H Club Members.
2. Refer to each division for specific rules.
3. All communications in regard to entries shall be addressed to the Fair Office: P.O. Box 124, Salina, Kansas 67402-0124 or [fairtririversoffice@gmail.com](mailto:fairtririversoffice@gmail.com). The management reserves the right to reject any entries offered.
4. Entry cards will be used to enter all exhibits. Those who wish to fill out cards in advance may pick them up at the Fair Office, Expo Office, or Salina Extension Office, M-F 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
5. An exhibit not presented promptly on schedule will be ruled out. No exceptions. No complaint or protest on the grounds that the judge overlooked exhibits will be considered.
6. All possible care will be taken of the exhibit, but no one involved in the Fair will be responsible for any loss or damage sustained.
7. Any potential new awards for next year's fair need to be proposed by the superintendent in writing to the Fair Office no later than two weeks following the fair. The Tri-Rivers Fair Committee will review the proposals for potential new awards for the next year. No new award may be established during the fair. Special circumstances (i.e., Memorial Funds, etc.) may lend to new awards being created prior to the fair and may only be done so with the approval of the Awards Committee.
8. At the close of the fair, all exhibits must be claimed at once by the exhibitor or by parties representing the exhibitor. Those in charge will assume no responsibility for exhibits left on the Fairgrounds after 10:00 p.m., Sunday.
9. All entries must be made in the name of the owner, as registered.
10. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted to be consumed or possessed in any exhibit buildings, including the barns. **The Fair Board reserves the right to withhold payment of premiums to violators.**
11. Each superintendent will be in full charge of his/her department.
12. Under Kansas Law, there is no liability for an injury to or the death of a participant in domestic animal activities resulting from the inherent risks of domestic animal activities, pursuant to K.S.A. 60-4001 through 60-4004. You are assuming the risk of participating in this domestic animal activity. Inherent risk of domestic animal activities include but shall not be limited to: (1) The propensity of a domestic animal to behave in ways L.E., running, bucking, biting, kicking, shying, stumbling, rearing, falling or stepping on, that may result in an injury, harm or death to persons on or around them; (2) the unpredictability of a domestic animal's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; (3) Certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (4) Collisions with other domestic animals or objects; and (5) The potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the domestic animal or not acting within such participant's ability.
13. If any damage, loss, or injury of property shall be approximately caused by reason of neglect or willful act of any persons, firm, corporation, their agents or representatives, servants, or employees having license privileges to exhibit on said Fairgrounds or occupying space thereon, the Saline County Fair Association shall not, in any manner, be responsible therefore and, in case it be subjected to any expense or liability all persons causing same or liable therefore, shall indemnify the Saline County Fair Association at Salina, Kansas.
14. The management reserves the right to remove from the grounds any exhibit, animal, concession, or show that may be falsely entered or may have any sign, banner, or advertising matter of any kind which may be deemed unsuitable or objectionable by them without assigning a reason therefore, and if necessary, return any money already paid for space or stalls which shall exonerate them from any claim whatsoever on the part of the exhibitor or purchaser.
15. Stalls will be bedded at the opening of the Fair by the association. After that, it will be the duty of the exhibitor to keep his stalls bedded. Swine stalls shall not be bedded.
16. The Saline County Fair Association reserves to its Board of Directors the right to finally determine the correct application of any rule herein published and further to amend or add any special rules for the conduct of said Fair that may be deemed necessary and expedient.
17. No dogs will be allowed in any exhibit buildings, including the barns. This excludes certified service animals.
18. **WITHDRAWAL TIMES FOR DRUGS, GROWTH PROMOTANTS AND OTHER APPROVED MATERIALS:** Exhibitors, their parents, leaders, and instructors have a serious responsibility to use animal health aids (drugs), growth promoters, and any other approved materials with great care, and only when needed and in correct amounts. Approved withdrawal times are set and must be followed to assure that meat customers receive wholesome food.
19. **BODY FLUID TESTS:** The giving of an oral or injected diuretic, growth promoters or other medication not approved for any domestic animal constitutes an unethical practice. The Fair Board reserves the right to have body fluid laboratory analysis made on any animal entered in competition. An exhibitor of an animal producing an analysis with a quantity of diuretic or any unapproved medication will forfeit all prizes and premiums, and may be barred from future competition.
20. **GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:** We have a grievance committee for the Open Class divisions at the Tri-Rivers Fair. Open Class Departments include Agriculture, Home Economics, and Horticulture/Floriculture. Disputes should first be brought, calmly, to the attention of the appropriate Department Chairperson or Division Superintendent. After receiving a decision from the Chairperson or Superintendent, any further dispute must be made in writing using the grievance form, found online at <https://tririversfair.org/exhibitor-information.html>, and turned in to the Department Chairperson within three hours of the decision made by the Chairperson or Superintendent. A hard copy can also be obtained from the Department Chairperson or Division Superintendent or at the Fair Office. The official form must be accompanied by a \$50 fee (cash only). The fee will only be forfeited if enough information is not provided to the grievance committee to be able to make an informed decision. The grievance committee will review the complaint and will get back to the individual named on the complaint form as soon as possible, via e-mail.