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Fair St. Clair Safety and Security Rules

- Firearms, knives, pepper spray, weapons, and fireworks of any kind are prohibited. All other items restricted under local, state, or federal law are also prohibited. A weapon detection system will be in operation at all public entry points during the Fair.
- Attendees under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian aged 21 or older. A chaperone may accompany no more than 3 minors at one time. Age verification may be requested at entry. Unaccompanied minors found on the Fairgrounds will be escorted to the Fair's designated family reunification area or ejected.
- Only clear plastic bags and purses/bags not exceeding 10"×8"×10" in external dimensions are permitted. All bags are subject to search and/or scanning upon entry. Medical bags and diaper bags accompanying a child are permitted and will be searched upon entry. Backpacks are not permitted. Law Enforcement and Fair Public Safety personnel have the right to refuse any bag for entry at their discretion.
- Smoking, vaping, e-cigarettes, and smokeless tobacco are prohibited except in clearly marked designated areas. A map of designated smoking areas will be available at entry points.
- Clothing that is obscene, indecent, or that displays threatening or harassment-based content directed at other attendees, is prohibited.
- Face coverings and masks are generally prohibited on the Fairgrounds. Exceptions are made for: (1) individuals with a documented medical condition or disability requiring a face covering; and (2) religious face coverings.
- Pets are not permitted on the Fairgrounds. Service animals as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act are welcome. Service animals that are out of control and whose handler does not take effective action to control them may be required to leave the Fairgrounds. The handler may return without the service animal.

Sheriff's Drug Hotline

1-800-640-DIME

"No Questions Asked"

- Bicycles, skateboards, scooters, golf carts, and similar personal transportation devices are prohibited on the Fairgrounds. Wheelchairs, motorized mobility scooters, and other mobility devices used for disability accommodation are permitted.
- Outside food and beverages are not permitted on the Fairgrounds, with the exception of medically necessary items, infant formula, and food required for a documented dietary restriction or disability. Such items are subject to inspection at entry.
- Operation of drones, quads, or other remote-controlled aircraft is strictly prohibited on or over the Fairgrounds, consistent with FAA regulations governing flight over populated areas.
- Illegal drugs and controlled substances are prohibited on the Fairgrounds. Cannabis and cannabis products are prohibited regardless of the holder's age or legal authorization to possess them, as consumption at public events is not permitted under Illinois law.
- Disruptive, threatening, or aggressive behavior — including fighting, harassment, or conduct that interferes with the safety or enjoyment of other attendees — is prohibited and may result in immediate removal from the Fairgrounds and/or arrest.
- No Reentry. Attendees who exit the Fairgrounds will not be allowed reentry without payment of a new admission fee.
- Any item or behavior deemed by Fair Public Safety personnel to pose a safety hazard, violate these rules, or significantly diminish other attendees' enjoyment of the event may be prohibited.

These rules are in place to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all attendees. Any violation of the above rules will result in removal from the Fair premises and/or arrest.

By Order of the Sheriff