

TO: Horticulture and Floriculture Exhibitors

FROM: Adam Heffron, Executive Director

Thank you for your participation in the 2025 Ohio State Fair Horticulture and Floriculture Show!

Entry Department phone: 614-644-4052

TICKETING AND PARKING - To purchase admission tickets and parking (must have an open entry to purchase parking), contact the entry office at 614 -644-4052.

- No junior fa ir t icket s will be m a iled t his year. Junior Fa ir exhibit ors will receive t heir a dm ission t icket s a t check-in.
- Pre-fa ir pa rking is \$15 per da y t o pa rk on t he grounds, which includes t he vehicle a nd a ll pa ssengers. General pa rking is \$10 per da y. No a dm ission is cha rged t o pre-fa ir event s.
- Pre-purcha sed pa sses will be m a iled.
- HOTELS- Find the list of preferred hotels and rates here.
- **CAMPING-** 2025 camping is sold out.
- PRIMITIVE CAMPING PROHIBITED Camping at the Ohio State Fair is permitted only in designated areas. Absolutely no camping will be permitted outside of approved camp sites at the Ohio State Fair, including parking lots. Guests found to be residing overnight in campers, vehicles, trailers, tents, or any other area outside of an approved campsite will be fined \$250 per night.

Join the Ohio State Fair Livestock & Animal Exhibitors Facebook

Group to receive the most up -to-date information and
announcements.

NEW IN 2025 - PASS PICK-UP

All passes, admission and parking, that are bought through ShoWorks or through the entry department will be picked up on grounds in 2025. Pass pick up will begin July 14. Hours and Locations:

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July 14 – 20 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. - Livestock Office
July 21 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Gate 9
July 22 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Rabbit/Poultry Pavilion
July 23 - 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Livestock Office
July 24 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Gate 10
July 25 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Gate 10
July 26 - 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Livestock Office
July 27 - 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Livestock Office
July 28 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Gate 10
July 29 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Gate 10
July 30 – 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. – Gate 10
July 31 - 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Livestock Office
August 1 - 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Livestock Office
August 2 - 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. - Livestock Office
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Additional Information:

- The Livestock Office can only be accessed by entering the front door of the Administration Building
- There will be no admittance through the back door of the Administration Building into the office
- Junior Exhibitor tickets will still be received when you check in at your respective barn
- Tickets will need to be signed for when you receive them at pick up. If you arrive outside of these hours and need your passes you may check with your respective barn office to see if they can be obtained, the Livestock Office will do their best to make tickets available any hours that staff are on grounds.
- Vehicles with Livestock Trailers will be allowed in the gate the first time with no parking pass or admission charged.
- Passes need to be picked up prior to exiting the gate to park trailers and vehicles.
- If you are arriving without a trailer to get passes you will be instructed to specific parking. This parking spot is timed and if you exceed the time limit your vehicle will be towed.

Questions regarding pass pick up can be directed to the Livestock Office. The Livestock Office can be reached by phone at 614-644-4049 or by email at a.hershey@expo.ohio.gov.

VEHICLE DIRECTIONS – Exhibitors traveling 1-71 are to exit at 11th Avenue (exit 110B); drive west on 11th Avenue to Gate 7 for entrance to the fairgrounds. Follow traffic control directions to the Agriculture Building to load and/or unload. Upon arrival, please report to the Exhibit Office for space assignments.

PARKING – After unloading, your vehicle must exit the main grounds and park in the designated parking area. If you purchased a parking permit, a Gate 10 permit is enclosed, which will allow you to park on top of the Gilligan Complex.

If you did not purchase a parking permit, you will need to park in the general parking lot for \$10 per day. You will be mailed a load/unload permit, if needed, for use at the building, so you can deliver and pick up your exhibit(s). Directions to general parking: Exit Gate 7, turn left onto 11th Avenue, turn left onto 1-71 (north) - travel to the next exit (17th Avenue), turn left, and drive to general parking. We have "shuttle service" from the general parking area with a stop near the North Commercial Pavilion.

IMPORTANT – If you receive premiums of \$499 and over, the State of Ohio requires you to register as a "new supplier" at http://www.supplier.obm.ohio.gov. This **MUST** be done before any payment will be processed. Please be aware that you will be asked for banking information, as your payment will be a direct deposit. You may use either a checking or a savings account. **If you have won \$499 or over in the past**, you do not need to register. However, you are responsible for making any address or name changes by going to http://www.supplier.obm.ohio.gov and updating your information.

CHECK IN AND RELEASE TIMES– Check-in and release times are listed in the rule book at https://ohiostatefair.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/livestock/ag_hort.pdf. On the last day of the fair, Sunday August 3, 2025 exhibits will be released between 5 pm and 7 pm on Sunday, August 3rd, 2025. Any item not picked up by 7 pm on Sunday, August 3rd, will become property of the Ohio State Fair.

Please check with Horticulture and Floriculture staff at check-in for any updated information on staging, parking, and release times.

RULES – For a full list of horticulture and floriculture competition rules, please visit: https://ohiostatefair.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/livestock/ag_hort.pdf.

ENTRY TAGS- Entry tags will not be mailed; you must pick up your entry tags from the department management at the time of check-in.

OHIO FIRE CODE REGULATIONS – Please note the Ohio Fire Code Regulations are posted on the Ohio State Fair website: www.ohiostatefair.com.

GOLF CARTS – Golf cart permits were pre-purchased in 2025. Supplemental documentation was submitted online. If you have not submitted your documentation online and purchased a permit (golf cart information form, insurance, and driver's license), please do so immediately.

Golf Cart Form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScdv181bQVr9fvcEGzww4ZFtSIvwMQnHiWPwVeav3y11Wty-w/viewform?usp=header

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS -

- Highway Patrol 614-466-6666
- Fire 614-644-4444
- First Aid Emergency 614-644-4466
- First Aid Office 614-644-4467

FIRST AID -

Life-threatening emergency:

- 1. Call Highway Patrol 614-466-6666
- 2. Immediately follow up with a phone call to First Aid at 614-644-4466 to expedite care.

Non-life-threatening care / medical assistance:

- First Aid can be reached at 614-644-4466
- First Aid is located North of Kasich Hall.
- Open 10 am 11 pm Sunday Thursday and until midnight on Friday and Saturday.
- For First Aid during off hours, contact the Highway Patrol at 614-466-666

ALERT: Calling 911 can delay response time by up to 15 minutes



JULY 14 - 18, 2025 Call 911

Columbus Fire Department ambulance and EMTs will be on-site the following hours.

Monday, July 14 - Wednesday, July 16 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Thursday, July 17 - Friday, July 18 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Call appropriate phone number based on dates above.
- Stay calm and assess the situation.
 Provide clear directions to your.
- Provide clear directions to your location.
- Scan below for map showing where AEDs are located in each building.



JULY 19 - 22, 2025 Call 614-644-4466

Fair First Aid / EMS providing service

Saturday, July 19 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday, July 20 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday, July 21 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Tuesday, July 22 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

EMERGENCY PHONE

NUMBERS

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First Aid dispatches emergency personnel. Please call First Aid directly; calling 911 can delay response time by up to 15 minutes.

BAND APP

A Band App channel has been created for the Horticulture and Floriculture department in 2025. Please join: https://band.us/n/a9aa03Pfi2P0C

2025 OHIO STATE FAIR MAP

