

Fulton County Fair General Rules and Regulations

1. All entries are made with the distinct understanding that the Fulton County Fair Association is not responsible for any loss or damage which may occur to any animal, article, or person during the fair. Care will be used in handling livestock to prevent injury to man or beast, but the above mentioned organization and its board members or volunteers will not be responsible should an accident occur.
2. All entries must be made in the name or names of owner or owners of animals and articles. All livestock exhibitors, if called upon, must show proof of ownership of not less than 60 days before the date of showing and owners of registered animals must present registration certificates, or proof thereof, if called upon.
3. The open division will include all adult entries. The youth division includes exhibitors age 12 and under and the junior division is age 13-18 years of age. Exhibitors, age 13-18, who are married will exhibit in the adult division. Youth and junior exhibitors will use the same classes as adults but will not be judged with the adult entries.
4. Exhibitors in the Creative Arts Department must be residents of Fulton County, belong to a 4-H club or Extension Homemaker Club in Fulton County, or attend school in Fulton County. Livestock exhibits are open to out-of-county exhibitors. **An out of county entry fee will be charged to out-of-county exhibitors.** This fee is on the online entry form. Poultry and rabbit exhibitors will not be accepted from out-of-county exhibitors.
5. All disputes and misunderstandings shall be settled by the chairman of the department in which they occur or by the Fulton County Fair Board Executive Committee.
6. Judging of all exhibits will be by competent judges in their respective departments. No person who is a relative of any exhibitor will be allowed to judge their entry. Judges will be from outside Fulton County.
7. Premium checks will be available by September 20th. They should be picked up at the Fulton County Extension Office no later than **October 15th**. Exhibits removed before the official check-out time will forfeit all premium money. Premiums will be paid on a point basis. The value of the points will be determined by the number of entries. Premiums will be paid from the records from each department. The judges' decision will be final. All premium checks should be checked before **November 30, 2011 or they will be void.**

New Entry Rules for Livestock (Including poultry and rabbits) – Please Read Carefully!

8. **All livestock must be entered online by August 12, 2011.** The Fulton County Fair will take online entries from **June 1st to August 12, 2011.** Go to the Fulton County Fair website www.fultoncountyfair.org and follow the link for online entries. No paper entry forms will be accepted. **All entries will be entered in the computer before the fair opens.** Youth who do

not have access to a computer should contact their Extension Agent or the Fulton County Fair Office. Out-of-county livestock fees must be received by **August 12, 2011** and should be mailed to the Fulton County Fair Assoc., Post Office Box 910, Salem, AR 72576.

9. Livestock will check-in on **Wednesday, August 24th, 2011 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.** Health papers will be checked at this time.
10. Livestock exhibitors must furnish feed, feed troughs, and water containers for their animals.
11. Only purebred, pureblood (one purebred parent) livestock or animal equal to Breed Association Herd Book quality are admitted to the fair. (Poultry, rabbits and commercial and market classes are exempt).
12. All disputes and misunderstandings shall be settled by the chairman of the department in which they occur or by the Fulton County Fair Executive Committee.
13. All livestock must be handled by the owners or their authorized representative. Any animal that is not exhibited before the judge, unless granted permission, is automatically disqualified. All livestock must be halter broke or show in pen classes.
14. Health regulations are printed in the fair tabloid and on the Fulton County Fair website and are issued by the Livestock & Poultry Commission. Health certificates are required. In the event a disease is detected, the owner will be asked to remove the animal from the fair. In case of dispute, fair officials will have authority to call a veterinarian at the expense of the owner. The Fulton County Fair Association reserves the right to have a blood and urine laboratory analysis made for any market animals at the county fair. Any exhibitor administering a drug to an animal which would render the carcass unfit for human consumption or any exhibitor of an animal producing an analysis indicating the presence of an unapproved drug that can result in a quantitative or qualitative change in the characteristic of the animal will be required to return all premium money and could be banned from further competition at the county fair. Their name and lab analysis will be submitted to the USDA for further investigation and possible prosecution. Any animal receiving medication for any life threatening disease or illness must be registered at the time they are entered in the fair.
15. Livestock entries will be limited to two animals per class per exhibitor with the exception of goats and sheep. Goats and sheep will be limited to four animals per junior exhibitor and two animals for open (adult) exhibitors because of space limitations.
16. All Fulton County 4-H club and FFA members who make livestock entries will be eligible to compete for the Showmanship Awards and will not compete against out-of-county exhibitors. Judging will be on their ability to handle the animal, grooming of the animal, and conduct and appearance of the showman.
17. Fulton County youth exhibitors will be eligible to compete for the ***Don Crawford Award***. This award will be awarded to the youth exhibitor earning the most points in the livestock department. Fulton County youth are eligible for the Herdsman Awards. These awards will be presented to youth who do the best job of taking care of their animal (s), keeps their pen or stall clean during the fair, and shows leadership in helping the superintendent and other exhibitors.

Entry Rules and Times for Creative Arts Department – Please Read Carefully!

18. All creative arts exhibits should be entered by **August 12, 2011** . The Fulton County Fair is set up to take online entries and will accept online entries from **June 1st to August 12th** . Go to the Fulton County Fair website www.fultoncountyfair.org and follow the link for online entries. Paper entries will also be accepted. An entry form is available on the website, at the fair office or at the Fulton County Extension Office. **Be sure that all information (Department, Division, Class is on entry form. Failure to do so could result in not receiving the proper premiums. If you need help in completing your entry form, please call the fair office at 870.895.5565. All entries will be entered in the computer before the fair opens.** To request a paper entry form, call the fair office or email fultoncountyfair@centurytel.net.
19. **Check-in times for all exhibits except Flowers, Floral Arrangements, Field Crops and Horticulture, and Baked Items are:**

Friday, August 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Check-in time for Flowers, Floral Arrangements, Field Crops and Horticulture and Baked Products is Monday, August 9th from 8:15 to 10:00 a.m.
20. There will be 3 divisions for the Creative Arts Departments: Youth – age 12 and under; Junior – age 13 – 18; and Adult – age 19 and over.
21. The article must be made by the person exhibiting it.
22. No article previously exhibited at the Fulton County Fair or any other county fair may be entered. **Exhibits can only be entered in only one county fair.**
23. All exhibits will be judged on the Danish system (unless noted otherwise) and will receive Blue, Red, and White ribbons. Champion awards will be given in each department as indicated for youth, juniors and seniors. Cash awards will be awarded for points earned. No cash awards will be given for the Champion awards.
24. Only one item per class may be entered by each individual except in the Wild Card classes.
25. The individual earning the most points in the adult and junior or youth departments will be awarded a \$50.00 Savings Bond sponsored by the Fulton County Extension Homemakers Council and by Southfork Antique Gallery. In addition, a special cash award will be given to the club or organization in the junior/youth and adult divisions whose members have the most points. Club membership should be designated on Entry Form. Members may only designate one club.
26. Soiled and damaged items will not be accepted.