

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS



“Boots Buckles & Spurs”

Celebrating 50 Years of Rodeo!

1. The Palouse Empire Fair Association implements a non-discrimination policy in all of its programs and competitive activities, and has endeavored to make this Fair representative of the agricultural interests of Whitman County.
2. The Palouse Empire Fair does not charge entry fees or stall fees; however, anyone who resides on the grounds during the Fair (R.V. Park; near horse barns, adjacent to commercial exhibit space) will pay a set fee for camping.
3. **The Palouse Empire Fair maintains a policy that ALL exhibitors and fairgoers are required to purchase daily tickets or a four day passes for admittance to the Fair.**

Daily Admission Prices

Senior-\$7.00 (55 or older)

Adult-\$8.00

Junior-\$5.00 (K-12 grade)

4 Day Wristband Pass Prices

Adult-\$17.00

Junior-\$7.00 (K-12 grade)

Friday Family Day

Immediate members of ONE family for \$25

**THE FAIR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR
STOLEN WRISTBANDS.**

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday

- **Ticket gates** Open at 8am to 9pm
- **Display Buildings** are open to the public from 10am to 9pm
- **Animal Barns** close at 9pm Daily

SUNDAY

Ticket gates at 8am to 4pm

4. Absolutely no moving vehicles within the Fair gates between the hours of 8am–9pm (Exception for the Flower Show entries, Thursday until 11:00 am). Service vehicles will be allowed to move on the grounds before 8 a.m. and after 9 p.m.
5. Entries of all livestock should be received at the Fair Office no later than August 1st.
Email: pef@co.whitman.wa.us
Address: **PEF/111 E Upton St/Colfax, WA 99111**
Livestock Superintendent will pick up list of entries from the Fair Office prior to the Fair.
6. The number of entries made by an exhibitor in any class is specified in the rules governing each division.

Entries are not confined to Whitman County, but acceptance, especially Animal entries, because of limited space, should be determined by the respective superintendent.

7. NOTICE: All persons who exhibit at the Fair must complete an exhibitor registration card. Fair insurance does not cover items exhibited. Exhibitors should self-insure exhibits of value through their homeowner’s or personal insurance policy. An exhibit tag must be completed for each exhibit entered in the Fair.
8. Exhibitors are to take the name of the exhibits from the Premium List, and in filling out the entry blank use the same language as that set up in the premium list, giving Dept., DIV & Class.
9. Exhibitors will give the necessary and personal attention to whatever they may enter, and at the close of the Fair take charge of the same.
The officers of the Fair will use every precaution in their power, but will not be responsible for loss or damage.
10. Exhibitors will be judged on their own merit, regardless of the number of entries in the class.
11. Placing in all classes will be credited with the number of points indicated in specific Departments or Divisions.

PREMIUM CHECKS

Checks are mailed upon complete of data entry. Premium checks from the fair must be cashed within 90 days of issuance or they shall be forfeited and the fair is authorized to void. Once exhibitor receives their Premium Check, the Fair assumes NO responsibility for lost/damaged checks.

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12. 4-H and FFA members entering livestock exhibits in the 4H and FFA Departments CANNOT ENTER THEM IN THE OPEN DEPARTMENTS. No individual may show the same class of livestock in both 4-H and FFA division.
13. *4-H Classifications:*
 - **Cloverbud (formerly Primaries) 5-7 years**
 - **Junior 8-10 years**
 - **Intermediate 11 – 13 years**
 - **Senior 14 - < 19 years**
14. Exhibits, Special Displays, and/or Barn Decorations cannot be dismantled till 4:01 Sunday of the fair.
15. **Animals Restricted on the Fairgrounds!** In the interest of safety for Palouse Empire Fair patron, exhibitors and fair animals, the Palouse Empire Fair Board asks that only registered animal exhibits and designated service animals are allowed within the main grounds and buildings during Fair. Crowd conditions and bio-security issues at hand are of paramount importance in the Board's pursuit to provide a safe environment for the activities they offer in the Fair program. Please contact the Fair Manager should you need further information.
16. **BICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, ETC. WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE MAIN GROUNDS DURING THE FAIR. PETS MUST REMAIN AT CAMPSITES ON LEASH OR INSIDE R.V'S. IF PROBLEMS ARISE, OWNERS WILL BE ASKED TO REMOVE PETS FROM GROUNDS. LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS MUST STAY IN BARN.**
17. **CONFLICT RESOLUTION POLICY:** The Palouse Empire Fair Board has formally adopted a conflict resolution policy. Copies of which are available from the Fair Office. This process comes into play in the event any rule or regulation is enforced and an individual wishes to appeal any facet of that enforcement.

Old McDonald's Barn Whitman County 4-H

Old McDonald's Barn is a friendly petting farmyard for people of all ages to enjoy. 4H youth and adults are available to answer questions and assist in the handling of animals. Due to limited space, a unique, interesting variety of animals shall be selected by the committee from the applications received.

Individuals who provide animals for exhibit will receive 50 premium points.

Deadline for entry is August 1.

To receive an application:

**WSU/Whitman County Extension office
310 N. Main Colfax, WA 99111
509-397-6290**

Life Stock Health Regulations Fair Veterinarian: Dr. Randy McGraw



The official Fair veterinarian will give a clinical inspection of all livestock and poultry at the time the exhibits are presented for entry at the Fair. There will be no charge to the exhibitor for this inspection.

State Department of Agriculture's Minimum Animal Health Requirements for County, District and State Fairs

Each Fair must have an **official Fair veterinarian in attendance.**

1. Individual health certificates on Washington animals are not required for entry. The Fair veterinarian shall issue a blanket health certificate covering all in-state entries to the fair.
2. No animal from quarantined area or premise will be permitted to enter the fair or show.
3. All out-of-state animal entries must comply with State of Washington regulations or receive an exemption from the State Veterinarian for exhibition at the fair only.

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4. All out-of-state horses must have a negative cogging test (EIA) within six (6) months except for horses from Oregon.
5. Fair veterinarians will inspect all classes of livestock and poultry (including horses, pet animals, rabbits, fur-bearing animals, pigeons, ducks, geese, and turkeys) before they are exhibited, to determine that the livestock and poultry show no clinical indications of contagious, infectious disease and ectoparasite.
6. Fair veterinarians **must reject any animal with infectious or contagious diseases or ectoparasite. Exhibitors should be aware that ringworm, warts, pinkeye, strangles, contagious ecthyma, scabies, lice, mites, ticks and fleas fall into these categories.**
7. Those animals exhibiting disease symptoms during the course of the fair shall also be rejected by the fair veterinarian and removed from the exhibit area.
8. It is strongly recommended, but not required, that cattle be vaccinated in the current show year against the respiratory diseases.
9. The fair veterinarian's professional decision as to the health status of an animal is final and shall be upheld by the fair board.
10. Entry permits are required for all out of state cattle and breeder feeder swine. A blanket entry permit to each fair will be issued upon request. Phone number is (206) 753-5040.

Palouse Empire Fair Scholarship Program

Superintendent: Toni Jorgensen

Friday of fair at 6:00pm at the Event Center



To become a Scholarship Sponsor, or for Rules, Regulations & more info please contact the Fair office! 509-397-6263 or email: pef@co.whitman.wa.us

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