

Wayne County Fair Animals / Livestock Release Rules

Revised for 2022

Release Times:

- After 9:30 PM on Thursday night, only rabbit, poultry, sheep, and goats are released from their assigned pens and cages to be walked out of their assigned barn and off the fenced in fairgrounds.
- After 10:00 PM on Thursday night, all animals are released from their assigned pens/stalls to be walked to a trailer at their designated barn loading area or the infield within the fenced in fairgrounds
- After 11:00 PM on Thursday night, all animals are permitted to be walked off the fairgrounds.

Rules:

- On Thursday night, all animals are to be in their assigned pens/cages/stalls by 8:00 PM (i.e. no “exercising” or “consolidating” animals) until their designated release time unless excused by the fair veterinarian and Department Superintendent per General Fair Rule #6.
- All animal release times are the same for Sr. and Jr. Fair exhibits.
- Each animal department committees will be patrolling their barns in teams of no less than two adult volunteer members and will report any infractions of the above rules to their Sr. or Jr Fair Superintendent.

Punishment:

- Jr and Sr Fair animal exhibits/exhibitors in violation of the release times will be dealt with congruently
- Any exhibitor in violation of the exit times will share the violation at the family level
 - The family will be suspended from exhibiting any Sr. or Jr. Fair entry at the Wayne County Fair for up to 3 years. The length of suspension will be at the discretion of the Wayne County Agricultural Society (Sr. Fair Board).
 - If the family had entries participating in the Jr. Fair Sale, the project will be sold at the current turn price. Any proceeds above the turn price will be forfeited. These proceeds will be moved to the general 4-H scholarship fund.
 - If the family participated in the dairy products auction, all proceeds earned will be forfeited. These proceeds will be moved to the general 4-H scholarship fund.
 - All Jr. Fair and Sr. Fair premiums will be forfeited and or returned upon request.
 - The family will be considered **not** in good standing with the Wayne County Fair and OSU Extension
 - All family members will be removed from any active volunteer status
 - Exhibitors will not be eligible to apply for 4-H scholarships.

Grievance:

- Any person found in violation of any rule may, at their choosing, and in accordance with the protest policy as written, offer a rebuttal. The exhibitor in violation will need to follow the Protest Policy as published in the Fair Book or within the Fair Book as published on the Wayne County Fair website.

Additional Clarifications for other Rules/Policies/Procedures to assist with the above:

To aid in the rule announcement, signage will be applied to all the exhibit barns.

The Protest Policy will need to be added to the Sr. Fair Book.

There will be no parking on the track at any time on Thursday. Only infield parking will be allowed on the west side after 4:00 PM or after the last horse race. If the infield parking is full, any additional vehicles will not be permitted on the grounds until 10:00 PM