

# Premium Department Rules

## ENTERING COMPETITION

Open to all residents of Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach counties unless otherwise indicated. See age divisions under judging rules. **No employees, superintendents, assistant superintendents or their families are eligible for cash prizes.** Other eligibility restrictions and number of entries are found under each department.

## ENTRY FORMS/TAGS

Entry forms are not required in all departments. Please refer to individual departments for instructions. Complete all sections of application prior to entry. Entry tags not properly completed are subject to rejection. Use separate tag for each item. **No Photocopies of Entry Tags** will be accepted. Entry tags are available by calling the Fair Office 954-922-2224 or fax requests to 954-929-8888.

## JUDGING

All exhibits, with the exception of livestock, will be judged before the opening of the Fair. Teachers must prejudge and submit best work.

Most exhibits will be judged on the **Modified Danish System** of judging. In this system of judging each exhibit is judged individually on its own merit. This means every exhibit will receive a ribbon unless it has been disqualified by the judge. Judges have the option not to award Best of Show or other special awards if they find no work of this standard.

Essays and Posters not included in Departments will be judged on the **American System of Judging**. In this system of judging each entry in a class or age division is judged in comparison to the other entries in the class. There will be no more than one first, second, third, etc., per class or age division. In all GROUP ENTRIES (this means any project that is done by more than one person and is entered as a club or group), there will be only one (1) first, second and third place award given in that department. Premiums will be awarded and judging will be based on the following age divisions unless otherwise specified:

**Elem. School Division** - Kindergarten through Grade 5

**Middle School Division** - 6th, 7th & 8th Grades

**High School Division** - 9th through 12th Grades

**Adult Division** - Any person not enrolled in school  
or who is 18 years of age or older.

## PROTESTS

Judges have been carefully selected. All persons making entries accept this and will abide by their decisions. Protests upon any other grounds, or against judges, must be documented to Fair management on day of contest. In all cases, questions or comments arising from premium awards, missing prizes, missing or improperly written checks, or other **EXHIBIT MATTERS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO FAIR MANAGEMENT PRIOR TO DEC. 10, 2009. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## SECURITY

Although every effort is made to ensure the safety of all exhibits, it is understood that the exhibits are entered in competition for prizes and that the owner assumes all responsibility for any accident, loss or damages that may occur. The Broward County Fair, Inc., their management, employees, officers or their agents will not be held responsible for any loss, accident or damage. No smoking, lighted candles, lamps, matches, etc. will be allowed in any tent or exhibit area.

## IDENTIFICATION

For every article, animal or fowl entered, an entry tag or card will be filled out for identifying entry. A claim check shall be given to the exhibitor. This claim check **MUST** be presented to the proper official in each department at removal time.

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## ESSAY & POSTER ENTRY DEADLINE

All Posters and Essays must be received by 5 pm **October 16** (unless otherwise indicated)

Projects may be dropped off at:

**Pompano Citi Centre - Center Court**

1955 North Federal Highway, Pompano Beach

or mailed to: **Broward County Fair**

3389 Sheridan Street, #411

Hollywood, Florida 33021

**Exhibit Drop Off 9 am - 5 pm October 16 Only**

## PLACING EXHIBITS

All exhibits must be placed by **6 pm Tuesday, Nov. 17** (unless otherwise indicated).

## REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS

Removal is scheduled for **noon - 6 pm Monday, Nov. 30, 2009**. All judged articles, animal or fowl must stay on exhibit until the closing of the Fair unless otherwise predetermined.

***Any Judged Exhibit Removed Before The Specified Removal Time Will Forfeit All Awards and Premium Checks, If Any. Exhibits Will Not Be Released Without Claim Check.*** All livestock and horticulture exhibits **MUST BE REMOVED** as indicated by department superintendent unless prior arrangements are made.

## RESPONSIBILITY

The Broward County Fair assumes **NO RESPONSIBILITY** for exhibits left after the removal time deadline. Items not claimed by 6 pm Nov. 30, 2009 will be disposed of by Fair management. All ribbons and/or premium checks are forfeited.

**Any questions arising from premium awards, missing prizes, missing or improperly written checks, or other exhibit matters must be submitted in writing to Fair management prior to December 10, 2009. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## IMPORTANT AWARD AND PREMIUM CHECK NOTICE

All checks for Fair premium monies shall be deposited by the recipient/payee within 90 days from the date of the check. If the recipient/payee fails to timely deposit said check, all monies due recipient/payee shall belong to the Fair and the recipient/payee shall be deemed to have made an unconditional and irrevocable gift of said monies to the Fair.

**Official Entry Tags Only.**

**No Photocopies.**

**Entry Tags may be requested by calling**

**954-922-2224 or emailing**

**BCFInformation@aol.com.**

# Exhibit Rules

## Corky Barron, Exhibit Superintendent

Instructions for specific departments are listed individually. They apply in addition to those listed here and in the general Premium Department Rules.

- Articles must be clean, made or grown by exhibitor, and completed since the last Broward County Fair.
- The Fair management reserves the right to reject, limit or disqualify any exhibits. All entries must be quality work. Substandard entries may be rejected by superintendents.
- No premiums are awarded when the exhibit is unworthy. In the awarding of premiums, quality is the first consideration. **Decision of the judges is final.** Premiums will not be paid according to ribbons, for ribbons may be misplaced or lost. The judge's record is the only guide for awards.
- Decorations must be of such a nature as to eliminate hazards, not obstruct light, not be an inconvenience to other exhibitors, and must be flameproof.
- No one will be allowed to spend the night unless pre-approved by Fair Management.
- No professionals are permitted to enter exhibits unless otherwise indicated. Professionals are defined as those employed at least part time (50%) in their particular craft.
- Premium checks must be processed by winners within 90 days.
- Exhibit area will close at 9pm daily. Livestock area closes one hour after each show.
- Every effort will be made to ensure display of all items entered for exhibit. However, due to the large number of exhibits, they are sometimes difficult to locate.
- Premiums and/or award checks will not be released without the exhibits for which they have been awarded. All exhibits left after removal time, 6 pm Monday, Nov. 30, will be disposed of by Fair Management and premium checks will be forfeited.
- The Fair will not be responsible for lost or stolen premiums and/or award checks after issuance.
- No employees, superintendents, assistant superintendents or their families are eligible for cash prizes

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**Volunteer Information 954-817-2409**