MINIDOKA COUNTY FAIR PARKING RULES

1- HANDICAPPED VEHICLES AND SENIOR CITIZEN'S BUSES - Please use the Southeast Gate and proceed towards the grandstand. If you let the office know you are coming someone will be stationed there to help you get to the night's event. During the day there is handicap parking on the north side of the antique building.

2- No vehicle traffic or parking will be allowed through the midway area Tuesday through Saturday; except for brief deliveries before 4 pm. Vehicles will be allowed on Monday during set up but must be removed by 5 pm.

3- Parking on the NORTH LAWN will be marked out. All livestock/horse trailers are to be parked in south parking lots. Parking for south and central parking lots must enter through the SOUTHEAST GATE.

4- Horse exhibitors enter through the SOUTHEAST gate. Park SOUTH of the horse barns or on track infield.

5- RV's must be parked in the RV Park. Call the fair office at 436-9748 to make a reservation.

6- Do not block any gates at any time.

7- The livestock entrance gate will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. and again from 4:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. during Fair Week to allow vehicles to bring in feed. No trailers or vehicles may be left inside the fence or allowed to enter without permission outside of above listed hours.

8- NO PARKING at any time on the highway right-of-way!! The Sheriff's Department will tow your vehicle, at your expense.

OPEN CLASS / FAIR RULES
Please Read!!!

1- **ENTRY TAGS**: All exhibits must have an ENTRY TAG attached to them. Entry tags are printed at the fair office during the month of July. Entries may be made online at Fair Entry. Early registration of exhibits is **strongly** recommended.

2- **ENTRY:**

Monday, July 27th, 2026, **12pm to 6 pm.**
No late entries will be accepted.

3- **JUDGING:**
Tuesday, July 28th, 2026, until 9 am until finished.

4- **RELEASE TIMES/CHECK OUT:**
Sunday, August 2nd, 10 am to 2 pm
Monday, August 3rd, 1 pm to 6 pm

5- **PREMIUM CHECK PICKUP**: Open class premium checks will be available during checkout times:
Sunday, August 2nd, 10 am to 2 pm
Monday, August 3rd, 1 pm to 6 pm
in the McGregor Building. After that, the checks will be available at the Fair Board Office, in the McGregor Building, until September 30, 2026. Checks not picked up by that date will be voided. Any mistakes will be corrected as soon as possible.

6- The Fair Board will use every precaution in its power for the safe preservation of all articles on exhibit but will NOT be responsible for loss or damage. The Fair Board shall not be held liable for any accidents, injuries or losses that occur at the Minidoka County Fair Grounds.

7- The Superintendent in charge of each Open Class Department will follow the rules set forth by the Fair Board. The Superintendent will not aid or interfere with the judge.

8- The management reserves the right to reject any exhibit offered.

9- The Judge (and only the judge) will indicate the award to be given, according to the quality of the exhibit. Awards are given at the discretion of the judge and the judge reserves the right to not make an award in a class. The judge's decisions are final. Any complaints must be submitted in writing to the Fair Office.

10- Exhibits must be of "FAIR QUALITY." "Fair Quality" is clean and as nicely done as possible, for the age and ability of person entering. When entering a child's project please put the age on the entry tag! This will help the judge determine what award should be given. The same applies to adults that may have a disability of some kind. Let the superintendent know so the item can be judged fairly.

11- All exhibits entered for judging are to be made by amateurs, with the exception of Art, Photography, and Ceramics. To exhibit Professional exhibits, call the Fair Office (436-9748) by July 10.

12- All entries are entered on the day and time stated. No late entries will be accepted. All entries are to remain on the fairgrounds until the announced release time. If you cannot be here, make arrangements with someone else to pick up your exhibits.

13- Each exhibitor may enter ONLY TWO items per CLASS and ONLY TENS ITEMS PER DIVISON.

14- For protection of entries in handwork, sewing, and craft department please cover projects with plastic to protect them. You are responsible for your exhibit.

15- The Exhibitor exhibits at their own risk. All precautions possible are taken to protect exhibits; however, the fair board will not be responsible for accidents, injuries, or losses.

16- An exhibitor found guilty of theft or vandalism will automatically forfeit all premiums, ribbons, and will be disqualified from participating in future events of the fair.

17- Any person or group of people removing an exhibit item before the prescribed check out time will forfeit all premiums.

18- Refer to each department for rules pertaining to the specific department.

19- If an exhibitor disrespects a superintendent, or judge, they forfeit all awards and/or premiums and will be asked to leave.

20- Anyone of any age can enter exhibits for judging. See each department for age designations. You are responsible for marking the age designation on your entry tag. If entry tags are not marked, they will be entered in the adult group.

21- All merchants and special exhibits must have a written contract, issued from the Fair Board Office, and must occupy such space that has been assigned to them. They are responsible for cleaning up after the fair and must leave the area in a clean and orderly fashion.

22- All Food Vendors must comply with the local and State Public Health Department regulations. For information call 436-7185.

23- No contract will be issued to any exhibitor or concessionaire promoting gambling or presenting any exhibit deemed to be unethical or objectionable; or anyone selling any alcoholic beverage. Any holder of a concession who violates any law of the State of Idaho, Minidoka County, or rules of the fair, shall forfeit his space and all fees for exhibit space.

24- The fair board encourages all merchants to sell and exhibit things that are suitable for family entertainment. Kids are a big part of our fair and we want to keep a good environment for them.

25- The Minidoka County Fair Grounds is an Alcohol/Drug/Smoke free facility. Alcohol is prohibited by county ordinance 96-1. We feel it is not in the best interest of our 4-H/FFA members or any children attending the fair to have these things around. Please help us by not bringing alcohol or drugs to the fairgrounds at any time. There is NO SMOKING or VAPING allowed in the buildings or in the wooden grandstands.

26- No leaflets or pamphlets of any kind can be distributed on Minidoka County Fair Ground property at any time without permission of the Fair Board Office. Even if you have a Merchant's Booth; all material must be seen and approved ahead of disbursement.

27- When there is an animal show going on – no other animals will be allowed in the same area. All animals must be kept off grassy areas when entertainment is being performed.

28- PARENTS: You are responsible for your minor children. If you allow your children to commit an act of vandalism it will be reported to the Sheriff Department. Any minor child that vandalizes any of the exhibits at the fairgrounds will forfeit their right to premium money.

29- All complaints must be submitted in writing to the Fair Board Office and reviewed by the fair board.

30- Entry fees and special rules dealing with each animal and department are listed at the beginning of each department.

31- The Fair Board retains the right to change the premium amount according to budget constraints.

32- **NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED ON FAIRGROUNDS.** Except for 4-H animals entered as an exhibit during exhibit times.

RIBBON & PREMIUM MONEY EXPLANATION FOR OPEN CLASS

This is to help everyone understand how the ribbons are awarded.

1- In Open Class the judge does not have to give a ribbon to the exhibit unless the judge feels the exhibit merits one.

2- **RIBBON AWARD CRITERIA**:
- BLUE RIBBON-signifies an exhibit superior in standards and/or quality of work.
- RED RIBBON signifies an exhibit that meets high standards and good quality work.
- WHITE RIBBON signifies above average standard or quality of work, but improvement is needed in some area.
- NO RIBBON signifies the exhibit is below average in standard or work quality and does not meet standards.
- One "Best of Division" rosette will be given in each division.
- One "Best of Show" rosette will be given in each department.
- One "Judge's Choice" rosette will be given for each Department.

3- Premium Money is given on all Blue Flat Ribbon-($2.00), Red Flat Ribbon-2nd ($1.50), and White Flat Ribbon-3rd ($1.00) ribbons. No extra money is given for a rosette ribbon. There are some DEPARTMENTS that vary from this. Be sure to check the heading of each department for extra premiums, awards, and gift certificates.

4- At the Minidoka County Fair, each exhibit is judged on its own merit.

   The judge decides how well the exhibit is made, taking into consideration the age of the person that made it. If the judge knows that someone is challenged in some way (disabled physically or with poor vision), they will take that into consideration.

5- Antiques are judged on the age and condition of the item entered.

6- The term "Fair Quality" means the item is neat, clean, and well done. Any item that is poorly done, wrinkled, messy looking, or dirty is not "Fair Quality" and will not be judged.

7- The Minidoka County Fair hires the most qualified judges we can find. The judges' decisions are final. Be sure to read all requirements and standards for each department. Experience has taught us that judges are human and what they award to an exhibit is their opinion on that day and can also be influenced by the number of entries in that division.

8- If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask. Minidoka County Fair Office, 436-9748.

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OPEN CLASS ENTRIES

ONLINE ENTRY!!!

Entries may be made online at Fair Entry.
http://minidokacountyfair.fairentry.com/

Once entry is placed online the fair office will receive notification and print entry tags. Entry tags may be picked up ahead of time or on the day of entry at the check-in table.

If you need assistance the fair office staff are able to help you. Prior to coming to the office, please fill out the following page with information regarding your entries (department, division, class, and age group) and bring it to the Minidoka County Fair Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Thursday to be entered. You will attach this tag to your entry and bring your entry to fair Monday, July 27th, and leave your entered items with the appropriate superintendent. No one will be turned away on entry day if you did not pre-register, however you will have to wait in line to enter. We encourage everyone to pre-register online, it is "Fast, Easy, and Everything is Done Ahead of Time!"

Brewster cheese

Open Class Entry Form

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