

## **2017 Camping Rules**

### **Camp Area Descriptions**

**Area A**.....Beside the horse ring.

**Area B**.....End of horse ring and continues around behind the racehorse barn up to the sheep barn.

**Area C**.....Across from the rabbit barn and along the back fence facing the Apartments.

**Hilltop**.....Directly behind the horticulture building on the hilltop.

**Triangle**.....In front of the racehorse barn and across from the Champion Barn

**\*\*\*All campers must enter the grounds through the main gate across from Seaman's Market \*\*\***

#### **No Tolerance Policy-**

**Verbal abuse, physical abuse or harassment toward directors, judges, ring stewards, superintendents, employees, OSU Extension staff, junior fair members, club advisors or volunteers of the Athens County Fair will not be tolerated. You may be escorted from the fairgrounds, premiums forfeited, and up Athens County Agricultural Society Rule Committee's decision, the family members may not be able to exhibit at the Athens County Fair for a period of time indicated by the committee based upon the severity of the situation.**

**Weapons**-No person shall have or conceal a weapon of any kind on the Athens County Fair Grounds at any time. Violation of this rule may result in person or persons being permanently evicted from the grounds

**Curfew**-There is a 1:00 am curfew on the Athens County Fairgrounds. Violation of this curfew can and will result in violator's being removed by security and/or directors of the Athens County Agricultural Society.

**Beer, Alcohol and Other Intoxicants**-No beer, alcohol or other intoxicants are allowed on the Athens County Fairgrounds. Persons found in possession of beer, alcohol and/or intoxicants of any kind or any other illegal substances may be removed from the grounds. These persons may be permanently evicted from the grounds and/or face permanent eviction from camping. Persons removed during the 2016 Athens County Fair must remove their camper or RV for the balance of the week.

**Leaseholder, Family Members, and Guests**-Each camping lot must be in the charge of an adult leaseholder. Everyone staying on a camp lot shall be registered with the Camping Committee, no exceptions. Random checks may be made. Any leaseholder found to have overnight guests who are not registered may forfeit their right to camp at the Athens County Fair. Unregistered overnight guests may be evicted. An overnight guest is defined as someone found on the camp lot past curfew. Guests coming for the day or to watch shows and then going home do not have to be registered unless they plan to spend the night past curfew. No one under the age of 18 is allowed to stay in campers without an adult present overnight. Sites cannot be listed in a business name.

**Pre-Registration**-Pre-registration for camping spaces will be made the last day of the fair of the current year for the next year. Any camper space not paid for by the last day of the fair will be relinquished. Campers can begin paying for the next year beginning June 1 of the current year through the last day of the fair, August 12, 2017.

**Waiting List**-The Camping Committee will maintain a waiting list for those unable to secure a camp spot. The spaces that become available will be assigned to the first person on the waiting list until the list is exhausted. This list becomes extensive and we cannot and will not promise anyone that they will receive a space just because their name is on the list or that any unfilled spaces will be rented this year.

**Camp Lot Rent**-Lot rent is \$200 across the board. This amount is subject to change by the Athens County Agricultural Society at any time without notice. All camp fees must be paid in advance no later than August 12, 2017 for the 2018 Athens County Fair. Fees not paid by this deadline will subject the leaseholder to forfeiture of his/her space. A check sent back to us for insufficient funds is the same as not paying your fee on time and the space will be given away.

**Subletting Camping Lots**-If a space is found to have been sublet, the person in the space questioned will be removed from the fairgrounds and the individual renting the space will lose that privilege with no money being refunded. Loss of this privilege for subletting is permanent without exception. Spaces cannot be handed to someone else when you are finished with them. If you no longer wish to camp at the fair you must give up your space to the next person on the waiting list. If anyone is caught moving into a space that was handed down to them, they will forfeit the right to camp and will be evicted.

**Camper Size**-Any change in the size of your camper will require prior approval of the camping committee and may result in your space assignment being moved to another location. We cannot fit larger campers into some of the spaces currently designated as a campsite. If your unit does not fit your assigned space, you will be moved to another space if there is availability. If we do not have another space open for you then you will be expected to find a smaller unit or give up your space. Leaseholders are not allowed to switch spots with another leaseholder without permission of the camping committee. Violation of this rule will result in both parties forfeiting their spaces. **Most camp sites only hold a 26-28' foot camper. No units over 31 feet will be permitted in any size space unless prior approval is obtained.**

**Air Conditioners**-Air conditioners must be hooked up properly and attached to the camper or RV in such a fashion that they do not become a hazard to the occupants or anyone else around the unit. Campers with household air conditioners will be permitted but must be approved and tagged by the camping committee prior to use.

**ATV's and/or Golf Carts**-Persons, other than fair directors, camping on the Athens County Fairgrounds are not allowed to bring an ATV or Golf Cart to the fairgrounds. Violators will have their ATV or Golf Cart impounded and will be asked to remove it immediately.

**Camp Space Boundaries**-Camp lots will be clearly marked as to the boundaries. Do not extend your space, awning, tip out, or belongings into someone else's space or beyond your campsite boundary. Campers or any items encroaching into another space or beyond the boundaries will be moved and/or removed. Any camper left encroaching into another space or beyond the boundaries will be towed at the owner's expense. If parties involved have an agreement then a camping committee member must witness this agreement and it must be on file.

**Sewage-Gray Water-Leaks of any kind**

Any camper caught dumping or running gray water and/or sewage onto the campgrounds will immediately be evicted from the fairgrounds and forfeit the right to camp permanently. There will be no exceptions to this rule. Leaks from holding tanks, sewer lines, and/or water lines must be fixed immediately or the unit will be towed from the grounds at the leaseholder's expense and will forfeit the right to use the space for the year. We will give you every opportunity to fix a water leak but will, under no circumstances, tolerate any sewage or gray water leaks of any kind.

**Water Hoses**-Water hoses are not to be left connected to the water supply unless the hose is the approved type by the camping committee. Hoses are not to be left laying on the ground, all hoses must be elevated off the ground at all times. This is a preventative sanitary measure for your own safety. Notice will be issued for the first infraction of this rule. The second infraction will result in forfeiture of the camp space. This rule follows the *Ohio Administrative code rule 1501:41-9-03 G) No person shall hook up a water supply line to any plumbing Water hoses are not to be left connected to the water supply unless the hose is the approved type by the camping committee. Hoses are not to be left lying*

*on the ground; all hoses must be elevated off the ground outlet in a campground unless the outlet has an approved anti siphon valve except with the area manager's approval.*

**Water**-Water in the camping areas is not for human consumption. Please be aware that The Athens County Agricultural Society is not responsible for consumption of this water.

**Parking**-Only two vehicle permits will be issued to each campsite. Vehicle permits issued to campers must be displayed on the rearview mirror at all times with the printed side out so it is visible when entering the gate.

**A vehicle permit does not guarantee you a space in front of your camper, only the right to park in an available space around your designated camper area.** A designated camp area is either Camp Area A, Camp Area B or Camp Area C. Do not refuse to let someone park in your area and do not demand that they move or attempt to block them in until they are removed. This may result in damage to your or someone else's vehicle. If you block or attempt to block someone else's vehicle, you are responsible for any damages to your vehicle and/or theirs. The Athens County Agriculture Society and its Directors are not liable for any damages to your vehicle while it is on the Athens County Fairgrounds. If you find someone parked in your area without a valid vehicle permit, report it to the camping committee. Be sure to provide a license plate number and vehicle description. Fair Directors and/or the camping committee reserve the right to park non-camping vehicles in camping areas when parking lots are full during peak times. We will make every effort to use all available spaces prior to placing these vehicles in the camping areas. Vehicles that become stuck in soft ground may require a tow truck to remove. If this happens, it will be at the vehicle owner's expense. Do not sit in a vehicle and continue to spin the wheels attempting to drive out. This will only make the situation worse.

**No Parking in Barn Areas**-No parking in barn areas at anytime. **NO PARKING** signs have been installed and must be obeyed. Parking areas have been registered in barn areas for **Fair Veterinarian only**. Failure to obey these signs will result in vehicle being towed at owner's expense. **DO NOT PARK MOTORIZED VEHICLES INSIDE A BARN-NO EXCEPTION TO THIS RULE. Any vehicle found to be parked inside of a barn will be towed at the owner's expense. If the owner of the vehicle is also a camp space leaseholder, this may cause loss of camping privileges and space.**

**Glass Containers**-There is to be no glass containers on the fairgrounds. This means you will not be allowed to carry glass pop bottles, juice bottles or any other glass container out of your camping area. Make every effort to buy your juice or soft drinks in plastic bottles.

**No refrigerators outside of your camper or RV**-Only refrigerators made to fit in campers or other RV's are to be used while camping at the Athens County Fairgrounds. Do not bring a large refrigerator like the type used in most homes to the grounds. There are to be no refrigerators placed outside the camper or RV unit, no matter what the size of the refrigerator. This is a safety precaution.

**Traffic**-At certain times prior to and during the Athens County Fair, traffic flow may be altered or marked as "One Way Only" to accommodate activities. All persons staying in the campgrounds of the Athens County Fair must follow and obey all traffic signs and/or rules. This also pertains to any person or persons directing traffic throughout the week. These people are in charge of the traffic flow and you must follow their directions. Any person refusing to obey these traffic signs or rules will be evicted from the Athens County Fairgrounds and will forfeit their camping privileges as well as the privilege of having a vehicle on the grounds. All emergency egress and ingress routes (all roadways in, out or around the Athens County Fairgrounds) are considered fire lanes and must be kept open at all times. Any vehicles found in violation of this rule will be towed at the owner's expense. The Fire Marshall makes daily trips through the grounds aboard an official fire vehicle to check these routes. Please be aware that his advice to have someone towed will be followed without exception.

**Electric**-Electrical problems of any kind such as breakers kicking out or loss of power must be reported to the camp committee. Only the licensed fair electrician is allowed to fix electrical problems. NO EXCEPTIONS! Do not attempt to fix your electric. This is a safety hazard. Only one extension cord per camper and cord must meet electricians and/or fire marshal's specifications and/or recommendations. You may and will be asked to change your cord if it is found to be inferior at your own expense. Electrician has the right to inspect all fans, air conditioners, and electrical appliances. Power outages are out of our control. Should a power outage occur, the committee would do everything possible to get it resolved as quickly as they can. Please be patient and remember that you are not the only camper without power. **The fairboard is not responsible for any damages done to your camper or RV unit during a power outage of any kind.**

**Fires**-Open fires or campfires of any kind are prohibited. Anyone caught with a fire in their campsite will be evicted immediately and future camping privileges revoked permanently.

**Gasoline and Other Combustibles**-Do not keep containers of gasoline, kerosene or other combustibles in or near your camper or on the fairgrounds period. Any containers of combustibles other than the propane connected to your RV will be removed by Fire and Safety. Propane tanks must be in safe and good working order. The camping committee will turn off leaks detected any time at the outside. Fire and Safety will be notified immediately.

**Hay and/or Straw**-No bales or flakes of hay or straw in camping area. This is a fire prevention measure for your own safety.

**Livestock**-No livestock is permitted in the camping areas at any time. Livestock found to be in any camping area would be removed from the fairgrounds and disqualified from exhibiting, showing, and/or selling during the 2016 Athens County Fair. Animals showing any type of distress should be reported to the official fair veterinarian and not taken to the camper for someone to examine.

**Stock Trailers**-No stock trailers or any other type of cargo or utility trailer may be parked in the camping areas. All stock trailers, cargo and/or utility trailers are to be moved off the fairgrounds or face being towed at the owner's expense.

**Unruliness or Poor Attitude-See No Tolerance Rule-Trash**-All trash must be placed in the proper receptacles. No trash should be left lying about the campsite or campground areas. Do not bring your trash from home upon moving in or during the week of the fair. We have enough of our own.

**Passes**-All camp lot holders must purchase 2 tickets, either season or membership for each campsite. No exceptions. These must be in hand when the camper is spotted onto its site. Everyone must have a pass or proof of payment at the gate. A pass will consist of a: Membership Ticket, Season Ticket, or gate ticket. Anyone found without one of the above listed documents will be escorted to the front gate where they must pay the regular gate admission. There will be no exceptions to this rule. Random checks may be made. Any person or persons found without a pass or gate ticket the second time may be permanently evicted from the grounds for the entire week. Violations of this type may subject leaseholder to eviction from their lot and permanently banned from camping at the Athens County Fair.

**Pets**-No pets are allowed on the fairgrounds and/or in the campground areas. Pets found on the fairgrounds and/or in the camping areas will be removed. Failure to abide by this rule may result in the person being removed from the fairgrounds permanently.

**Your campsite is your home away from home**-Your campsite is your home away from home for the week of the fair and we want you to enjoy it. Please be aware that you will have close neighbors and govern your activities accordingly. Be assured that your concerns are our concerns; so let us know how we can make positive improvements.

**Camping Committee**

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**Move-in Day**

Campers may begin moving onto their lot on the following days:

**Wednesday, August 2, 2017 9:00 am-8:00 pm Thursday, August 3, 2017 9:00 am-8:00 pm**  
**Friday, August 4, 2017 9:00 am-3:00 pm And 7:00 pm-9:00 pm**  
**Saturday, August 5, 2017 8:00 am-11:00 am Sunday, August 7, 2017 8:00 am-8:00 pm**

All campers must be removed by 8:00 am Monday, August 14, 2017 or there will be an additional fee charged. \*\*Hours are restricted on Friday August 4 and Saturday August 5 due to harness racing. Any camper or RV arriving during harness racing times will be held at the gate until the races are finished. NO EXCEPTIONS! Any camper attempting to penetrate the harness race area with a unit will be removed and forfeit the space for the week. These rules are for the safety of campers, horses, and people. Any camper found to be in a space prior to move-in day without making prior arrangements will be assessed the \$20 per day fee payable by the end of fair week. Fees not paid will subject camp lot leaseholder to forfeiture of the space for the 2018 camp season.