



## **2025 DELAWARE STATE FAIR CODE OF CONDUCT**

**Adopted January 22, 2025**

The Delaware State Fair is a nonprofit organization with a mission to celebrate all things Delaware by promoting agriculture, education, and community involvement through quality entertainment in a family-friendly environment. We want to make sure the Fair is a fun and safe place for all fairgoers, vendors, volunteers, shareholders, and staff.

When you join us on the fairgrounds and attend the Delaware State Fair, all fairgoers shall observe the guidelines listed below and expect an environment where:

- Fairgoers will receive dutiful, caring, and professional handling from Delaware State Fair Team Members ready and willing to address their needs and concerns.
- Fairgoers will enjoy a Fair-friendly environment that is mutually respectful to all participants.
- Fairgoers should remain “Fair Aware” reporting anything that doesn’t look right to the nearest Delaware State Fair Team Member, security or police officer.
- Fairgoers will NOT engage in troublesome running, disorderly, unruly, offensive, obscene, or illegal behavior that may endanger others.
- Fairgoers will safely operate motorized scooters, approved golf carts, or disability vehicles in compliance with agreed rules.
- Fairgoers will be properly attired, including shoes, in a manner that does NOT elicit a disruptive or unsettling response.
- Fairgoers will NOT wear masks or coverings in a manner that obscures their face unless for medical reasons.
- Fairgoers will obey the hours of operation, leaving promptly at the close of business, and will always follow instructions from Delaware State Fair Team Members.
- Fairgoers will undergo mandatory weapon and prohibited item screening prior to entering the grounds.
- Fairgoers will NOT stage any form of public event or protest, solicit, or distribute literature, information, or items of any kind.

- **UNACCOMPANIED MINORS:** All youth under the age of 16 are required to be accompanied by a sober and competent person aged 21 or older who will supervise the youth while entering the Delaware State Fair (such as a parent, legal guardian, relative, or other adult). After 7 p.m., unattended youths attempting to enter the fairgrounds without an adult will be denied entry.
  - One adult may accompany no more than six (6) guests under the age of 16 per day.
  - Proof of age is required. Any fairgoer, including those over the age of 21, may be required to show a valid government identification for proof of age.
  - This policy applies regardless of entry method, such as the use of a pre-purchased ticket or re-entry with a handstamp from earlier in the day.
  - This policy will be enforced daily for the full ten-day run of the Delaware State Fair.
  - If a concertgoer under the age of 16 has a valid concert ticket for that evening's show, they will be allowed to enter the fair and the concert after 7 p.m. without an adult as outlined above.
  - Those youth under the age of 16 with a valid concessionaire, youth livestock, 4H, or FFA exhibitor credential will be permitted to access the fairgrounds without supervising adult as outlined above. Each concessionaire and/or youth exhibitor must carry their Delaware State Fair-issued laminated credential to be permitted on the grounds without an adult after 7 p.m.
  - Each youth under the age of 16 working for a participating concessionaire will be issued a laminated credential at concessions check-in/set up.
  - Organized and ticketed group outings, such as school, church, corporate, summer camp, sports, and other pre-scheduled group visits are exempt from the policy as these groups have established chaperone policies and procedures already in place. Exceptions to this policy will be at the discretion of the General Manager.

By attending the Delaware State Fair, you agree to abide by these rules. Fairgoers who do NOT adhere to these rules are subject to ejection without a refund and may face a possible ban from the grounds.

The Delaware State Fair respects the rights of all individuals and pledges to enforce these rules equitably, reserving the right to define and interpret conduct that may be unacceptable and to modify the terms of the Guest Code of Conduct at any time. The Delaware State Fair appreciates your cooperation in adhering to this policy.