
POLICY 705: FAIR-TIME CAMPING

Registration & Campsites

All fees must be paid in advance. No refunds will be issued under any circumstances.

- Advance Registration with Water/Sewer/Electric - \$528.00
- Advance Registration with Water/Electric - \$496.00
- Advance Registration without Electric - \$448.00
- One Night Basis with Electric - \$45.00
- One Night Basis without Electric - \$40.00
- Sewer Hook-up (per day if available) - \$5.00
- Car Parking (In Campground Lot) - \$10.00
- One-night basis for tents only - \$40.00

Reselling or subletting campsites is prohibited.

All pre-registered campers must arrive by the first day of the Fair at 8:00 pm or the site may be reassigned. Campsites cannot be held for later arrivals using tents, vehicles, or other items.

A non-registered site may only be purchased upon arrival with a camping unit.

Each campsite must be registered individually (one name per site).

Campsites are limited in size and may vary. Assignment does not guarantee additional space or unobstructed views. Only one camping unit per campsite is permitted.

Occupancy & Use

If a campsite is vacated and later occupied, returning campers will be assigned the closest available space.

Only the registered camping unit may occupy the site. Substitutions will be charged accordingly.

Iowa State Fair employees are required to pay for campsites.

Vehicle Access & Parking

All vehicles must display a valid campground sticker or permit at all times. Vehicles without proper identification are subject to towing. Counterfeit passes will result in removal and possible loss of future privileges.

One-hour delivery passes are available; violations will result in fines.

Vehicles must not be operated within the campground after 10:00 p.m. curfew.

No vehicle shall exceed 10 miles per hour.

Conduct & Safety

Excessive noise or disruptive behavior is prohibited.

Firearms, weapons, explosives, and fireworks are strictly prohibited.

No bicycles, mopeds, or golf carts are allowed (ADA devices permitted per policy).

Utilities & Equipment

Only approved electrical connections may be used. Additional electrical use must be approved and paid for in advance.

Generators may not be operated between 10:00pm and 7:00am.

Heavy equipment is not permitted for leveling.

Use of a water pressure regulator is strongly recommended; the Fair is not responsible for damage.

Fire & Grounds Restrictions

No wood fires or enclosed smokers. Charcoal fires only.

No cutting or damaging trees.

No dumping of sewage or gray water on the ground—violations will result in removal and possible future ban.

Pets

Pets must be leashed (maximum 6 feet) or properly confined. Unattended pets may be removed or impounded.

Pets are not allowed in restrooms or shower buildings (except for service animals).

Owners must clean up all pet waste.

Pets may not be tied to trees or any other structure.

No livestock is permitted in the campgrounds.

Any high-risk dog must be confined inside the camper or always kenneled within a secure structure. A high-risk dog includes any the following: any dog that has the appearance and characteristics of being predominately of the breeds of Staffordshire Terrier, American Pit Bull Terrier, or American Staffordshire Terrier; any dog which has bitten or attacked a human being or domestic animal one or more times, without provocation; any dog with a history, tendency or disposition to attack, to cause injury or to otherwise endanger the safety of human beings or domestic animals; any dog that snaps, bites, or manifests a disposition to snap or bite; or any dog that has been trained for dog fighting, animal fighting or animal baiting or is owned or kept for such purposes.

For the purposes of this policy, a secure structure is a pen, kennel, or other structure with secure sides, secure top attached to the sides, and a secure bottom, floor, or foundation designed to confine high risk dogs. All secure structures must be locked with a key or combination lock when such animals are within the structure.

No person shall permit a high-risk dog to go outside its secure structure unless such dog is securely leashed with a leash no longer than six feet in length and both the dog and leash are under the actual physical control of a person 18 years of age or older.

Enforcement Notice

Management reserves the right to evict any individual for violating campground rules, damaging property, creating disturbances, or violating city or state laws. All evictions are enforced without refund.

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