

IowaStateFair

August 13-23, 2026

2026 IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR REGISTERED CAMPERS

1. **The Campgrounds will open on Saturday, August 1st at 8:00 a.m. for Advance Campers.** There will be a \$30.00* charge for each night through August 7th. These charges are not payable in advance. You must pay upon arrival (cash or credit cards accepted). **You may not enter before August 1st.** No holding area will be provided. The campground office will not be open until August 3rd from 8:00am to 4:30pm.
2. Campground headquarters is located on top of the hill, north of the campground Dean Ave. entrance. All campsites must be registered there by the Campground Office. Campers who have registered in advance must check in at the Campground Headquarters to pick up proper campsite signs and car identification stickers.
3. Your campsite has been marked by permanent markers, as well as a flag with your name, area, street, and lot on it. **Your flag is on the right side of your lot as you stand facing it.** If you leave it there it will aid Public Safety in finding you. You may arrange your unit or car in this area to suit your needs, but you must not go over the boundary. **Anyone moving flags or taking a lot different than the one on your receipt (unless cleared through the Camping Office) will be asked to leave.**
4. Your camping Credential Receipt will need to be displayed in an outward facing window so checkers and Public Safety can see it from the street. This Credential Receipt will have your check-out date on it.
5. Three large, well-lighted, conveniently located bathhouses provide hot and cold running water and restroom facilities. Two small shower/restrooms and one restroom are scattered throughout the Campgrounds.
6. Free Shuttles to and from the Campgrounds (from Fairgrounds proper) are available daily.
7. The Campgrounds shall be policed by the Iowa State Fair Police. Their phone number is 515-262-3931.
8. A grocery store is centrally located for your convenience.
9. **All parking must be in your campsite lot. (No parking on side streets.) One vehicle per camping unit, the others must be parked in the parking lot at a cost of \$10.00* per day.**
10. **BEFORE LEAVING, PLEASE FILL IN ALL HOLES THAT YOU HAVE DUG. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF THE CAMPSITE.**
11. Advance pay campers who registered before the Fair are already on the computer print-out for a location. Anyone arriving that is not an advance pay person must register on the card given to you at the Gate. This is a great help if you were to receive an emergency call.

12. Remember, if you want to park with more ease, try to arrive before Sunday, August 9th at 8:00 a.m. On that date and time, the gate will be open to people other than advance pay campers. Before that date and time, only people with a receipt in hand will be admitted.
13. Any violation of these rules could result in vehicles and campers being towed or the loss of a camping spot.
14. **Rules Clarification for departure time after the Fair:** If your camper is in the Campgrounds after Monday, August 24th at 7:00 p.m. you will be charged the current off-season nightly rate.
15. If you camp for longer than 3 days and run a hose to dump your sewer, you will be expected to pay \$32.
16. Do not transport people to the Campground parking lot with your vehicle. Use the shuttle that goes from the Campground Office to the Campground parking lot.
17. In order to park in the Campground parking lot, you must have a **"Special Park"** permit, and you must pay \$10.00* per day to park. Please inform your visitors who will be using the Campground parking lot that they must have the **"Special Park"** permit and pay \$10.00*. **The checkout time for the parking lot is 12:00 (Noon). THE PARKING LOT IS FIRST COME FIRST SERVE WHEN IT IS FULL YOU MUST PARK IN ANOTHER PARKING LOT.**
18. **If you have a sewer hook-up, it's required that you use a sewer donut.**

Thank you for your cooperation.

* Prices subject to change.