

# **MISSOURI STATE FAIR CAMPGROUND CODE OF CONDUCT**

## **(Year-Round Camping)**

**These policies govern camping while the Missouri State Fair is not in session. Those wishing to camp during the Missouri State Fair must obtain a separate camping permit.**

**Individuals, families, and their guests camping in the Missouri State Fair Campground (“Campground”) are expected to follow all rules and conduct themselves in a manner that is family friendly. Violation of Campground rules will result in disciplinary action. Disciplinary action shall be at the discretion of fair security, Missouri State Highway Patrol, or fair staff (“staff”).**

**No person shall camp outside in a tent or similar temporary shelter unless within a designated camping area and upon payment of the designated fee to the Missouri State Fair. Trailers, mobile homes, RV units, or any other vehicle used for sleeping shall not park in any area on the Premises other than a designated camping area and shall pay the designated fee to the Missouri State Fair.**

**Disciplinary action may include, but is not limited to, a verbal/written warning, ejection from the Campground, or a permanent ban from the Campground. Permanent bans may only be issued with the approval of the Missouri State Fair Director and/or Missouri State Fair Commission.**

1. **SEASONS:** The on season shall begin April 15 and end October 14. During the on season, camping in a tent is permitted. The off season shall begin October 15 and end April 14. During the off season, only camping in recreational vehicles is permitted. All restrooms and shower facilities are winterized and closed during the off season.
2. **CAMPING LIMITS:** Camping is limited to no more than fifteen (15) days within any calendar month, unless otherwise provided by special management regulations. This limit applies to any individual, group, and/or camping unit.
  - a. **Corporate Permits.** Upon approval by management, a long term camping stay may be approved. This shall require prepayment for the site.
3. **UNATTENDED PROPERTY:** Campers shall not be allowed to leave personal property unattended on a campsite for more than twenty-four (24) hours without written permission from the facility manager or designee for special circumstances such as medical emergencies or equipment failure.
4. **CAMPSITE LAYOUT:** Individuals shall not alter the layout of their campsite, nor may they exceed the boundaries of their marked site with slide-outs, accessories, vehicles, etc. All RV’s, vehicles, and accessories shall be within the marked campsite. Trailers **MUST** park in designated areas and not at campsites.
5. **COMPLIANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS:** Campers must follow all instructions from staff on how to access campsites.

6. **NOISE CURFEW:** Quiet hours are from 11 PM to 7 AM. During quiet hours, the following are strictly prohibited: any excessive or disruptive noises—including but not limited to loud voices, televisions, radios, or musical instruments—and the blowing of automobile horns or other noise-making devices.
7. **CHILDREN'S CONDUCT:** Parents, guardians, or caregivers are responsible for their children's conduct and shall be held liable for any rules their children violate or damages they cause.
8. **GUEST CONDUCT:** Campers are responsible for their guests' conduct and will be subject to disciplinary action as outlined above for rule violations by guests. All rules written herein shall apply to guests.
9. **NO PARKING AREAS:** Vehicles shall not block access roads, other campsites, or other prohibited areas. Any vehicle in violation is subject to tow at the owner's expense, as well as disciplinary action as outlined above. The owner of any towed vehicle shall be required to pay a towing fee of up to \$75.
10. **WEAPONS:** Weapons are strictly prohibited on Campground property.
11. **REFUSE AND TRASH:** No person shall deposit any garbage or waste in any part of the Campground except in designated containers or places. Any material so disposed of shall have been generated at the Campground or Fairgrounds.
12. **GENERAL CAMPING RULES:** The following are prohibited:
  - a. Discharging of sewage or treated water, commonly referred to as "grey water," from tents, campers, or recreational vehicles, except at designated locations;
  - b. Fires outside of personal barbecue grills;
  - c. Leaving a fire unattended;
  - d. Hanging of lanterns on trees, shrubs, utility pedestals, utility poles, or fences;
  - e. Hanging of hammocks on trees, shrubs utility pedestals, utility poles, or fences;
  - f. Trenching around tent camps for protection against water or wind damage; and
  - g. Using electronic insect killing devices.
13. **SHELTER:** Campers shall have well maintained, functional, and safe camping equipment that provides adequate shelter from the elements.
14. **MAIL:** Campers are not allowed to receive mail at the Campground. Any mail sent to campers and received by the State Fair staff shall be returned to the sender.
15. **PETS:** Pets must be contained within the paid camping area and be leashed at all times. Campers are required to clean up after pets.
16. **LEWD AND/OR ILLEGAL BEHAVIOR:** Campers are expected to obey all state and local laws while in the Campground and on the Missouri State Fairgrounds. Failure to do so may result in law enforcement action and criminal charges. The Missouri State Fair may also take disciplinary action as previously described, with or without the filing of criminal charges, whether the incident happened in

the Campground or on the Fairgrounds. Some examples of lewd and/or illegal behavior include:

- a. Irresponsible use of alcohol and/or drunkenness;
- b. Lewd behavior, including the use of vulgar, immoral, profane, or indecent language;
- c. Accessing restricted areas;
- d. Failure to comply with directions of Campground staff, security, or law enforcement;
- e. Relieving of bladder or bowels anywhere other than approved facilities,
- f. Fighting or engaging in any action that may harm, endanger, threaten, or bring discomfort to any staff, camper, or guest;
- g. Engaging in sexual conduct or behavior in public or in Campground facilities, including restrooms, shower houses, or storm shelters;
- h. Possession, use, or sale of illegal drugs; or
- i. Damage, destruction, vandalism, or theft of any property.

**MANAGEMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE SERVICE TO ANYONE WHO DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE RULES AND POLICIES.**

**BY ENTERING THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR CAMPGROUNDS, YOU AGREE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR RULES AND POLICIES CONTAINED HEREIN AND THAT YOU WILL SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL ADULTS AND CHILDREN IN YOUR PARTY. YOU FURTHER AGREE THAT IF YOU OR ANY MEMBER OF YOUR PARTY FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES AND POLICIES, THERE MAY BE CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION AS OUTLINED ABOVE, AND CANCELLATION OF YOUR CAMPING PRIVILEGES WITHOUT ANY MONETARY REFUND.**