



Alaska State Fair 2009

August 27 ~ September 7

Monday - Friday
Weekends
Labor Day

noon ~ 10 p.m.
10 a.m. ~ 10 p.m.
10 a.m. ~ 8 p.m.

"GET HAPPY!"

Visit the Fair's website at: www.alaskastatefair.org

General Information

Non-perishable Entries:

Anchorage Entry:

Monday, August 10, noon – 8 p.m.
Tuesday, August 11, noon – 8 p.m.

Anchorage Pick-up:

Friday, September 11, noon – 8 p.m.
Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

OR

Fairgrounds Entry:

Friday, August 14, noon - 8 p.m.
Saturday, August 15, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Fairgrounds Pick-up:

Tuesday, September 8, 2 – 8 p.m.
Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The Anchorage Entry location is the Boys & Girls Club in Mountain View, 315 N. Price Street. From the Glenn Highway, take Bragaw Street exit north to Mountain View Drive and turn left. Go West on Mountain View Drive to Price Street and turn right and drive north to the Boys & Girls Club.

For additional Anchorage entry information contact Cindy Littell at 907-262-7462.

Non-perishable Departments:

Art, Photography, Canning, Winemaking, Homebrew, Honey & Beekeeping, Clay Arts, Fiber & Fleece, Handwork & Needlework, Arts & Crafts, Sewing, and Quilts.

Department Locations:

Hoskins Exhibits:

Art, Baked Goods, Canning, Soda Pop/Homebrew, Photography, Winemaking, and Special Contests

Irwin Exhibits:

Arts & Crafts, Clay Arts, Fiber & Fleece, Handwork & Needlework, Quilts, Sewing, and Woodworking

Farm Exhibits:

Crops, Livestock, Poultry, Beekeeping, and Rabbits

Flower Exhibits:

Flowers

Livestock and Perishable Departments:

FAIRGROUNDS ENTRY ONLY

Poultry & Rabbits - 1st Entry

Tuesday, August 25, 4 - 8:30 p.m.

Honey & Beekeeping

Tuesday, August 25, noon - 8 p.m.

Baked Goods, Crops, Flowers - 1st Entry

Wednesday, August 26, noon - 9 p.m.

Open Livestock - Wednesday, August 26, 4 - 8:30 p.m.

Poultry & Rabbits - 2nd Entry

Tuesday, September 1, 4 - 8:30 p.m.

4-H livestock Entry

Tuesday, September 1, 3 - 7 p.m.

Baked Goods, Crops, Flowers - 2nd Entry

Wednesday September 2, noon - 9 p.m.

Fairground entry procedures:

Non perishables

Credentials are not required. Entrant may drive to the respective exhibit building, enter items, and leave to accommodate others.

1st entry Perishables

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2nd entry Perishables

Only the entrant may enter the fairgrounds free of charge for 2nd entry. All others must have admission tickets. If justified, the entrant may drive to the exhibit building, enter items, and return to the general parking lot. Free second entry parking vouchers will be available at first entry.

No dogs are allowed in any entry vehicle!

General Rules & Regulations

- Exhibitors must have a lifetime entry number to place an entry. Numbers are available on entry day, or you may call 907-746-7166 before July 1 to obtain one. Previously assigned entry numbers may be researched on entry day. 4-H entry numbers are not valid for Open Fair competition.
- Each exhibit requires a completed entry form available on entry day. Those who enter many exhibits may obtain forms before entry day from the Main Office on the fairgrounds.
- Upon entering, exhibitors receive a yellow copy of the entry form. This must be retained and presented as a claim check to pick up exhibits.
- Exhibits must remain on display until designated pick-up dates.
- Unclaimed exhibits become the property of Alaska State Fair, Inc., and are disposed of after 30 days unless otherwise arranged for in advance.

General Entry Information

- Entries are open to all.
- The Fair management or department superintendent may reject any exhibit offered if it is objectionable in any way, requires excessive space, or if the department capacity is full.
- Once entered, all articles come entirely under the control and jurisdiction of the Fair management, and may not be removed or disturbed by exhibitors until designated pick-up days.
- Entries must be by the maker or grower. Livestock, rabbits, and poultry are to be entered by the current owner.
- Except for animals or plants, exhibits entered in previous Alaska State Fairs may not be re-entered. An entry deemed as such by a superintendent or judge will be disqualified. All items must have been completed since the previous Fair.
- The Fair accepts mailed or freighted entries from non-local exhibitors when accompanied by return postage and instructions for return. Insurance of mailed items is encouraged. Items may be mailed to Alaska State Fair, Exhibit Department, 2075 Glenn Hwy, Palmer, AK 99645. *Please mail your entry by July 31st to insure timely delivery.*
- The Fair provides entry in Anchorage at the Boys & Girls Club in Mountain View, 315 N. Price Street, for non-perishable exhibits. Items entered in Anchorage are subject to review by superintendents on the Fairgrounds for proper preparation and correct department, division, and class. Anchorage entry clerks assist exhibitors to determine correct class, but the Fair cannot be responsible should superintendents reassign or reject exhibits in accordance with departmental or program-wide regulations.
- No entrant may compete in more than one category per department, i.e. Open and Senior.
- Unique rules may prevail in any department.
- Items must be entered in the proper category and accompanied by an entry form. Improperly completed forms may result in disqualification and forfeited awards. Exhibitors are fully responsible for correct entry forms and classes. Superintendents may transfer erroneously entered exhibits to proper classes, and if such classes have been judged, judging will not be reopened.

- "For Sale" signs and business cards are not permitted on any exhibit during the Fair, and raffles may not be held within departments.
- No entry may compete for more than one premium or be entered in more than one class unless otherwise specified.
- The Alaska State Fair, Inc. Directors interpret these rules and regulations and accompanying entry information.

Judging

- Judges may not award prizes to unworthy exhibits. Judges are not required to award 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in each class.
- No person shall judge any exhibit in which there is any direct or indirect interest as owner or agent. The American System of judging shall prevail throughout the exhibit program.
- Superintendents control their departments, subject only to the orders of Fair management. Superintendents may change, combine, or further break down classes and/or divisions at their discretion.

Premiums and Ribbons

Ribbons and premiums are as follows unless otherwise noted within the department.

1st place	Blue Ribbon	\$6.00
2nd place	Red Ribbon	\$3.00
3rd place	White Ribbon	\$2.00

Division Champion, Judges' Choice, Honorable Mention, People's Choice, and Best of Show ribbons/rosettes may be awarded, however no premiums are paid.

Premium Checks and Special Awards will be mailed at the end of the Fair. Ribbons may be claimed along with exhibits. Entrants wishing to have ribbons mailed must submit an appropriate size, self-addressed envelope with adequate postage to the Alaska State Fair, Exhibit Department, 2075 Glenn Hwy. Palmer AK 99645.

Protests

Protests must be written and accompanied by a \$25 deposit which is forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Protest must be received by Fair management within 24 hours after the official opening of the Fair. Protests must plainly state the complaint or appeal. No appeal based upon alleged incompetence of judges will be considered.

Demonstration Program

Come to Hoskins, Irwin, or Flowers for exciting demonstrations. See quilters, woodworkers, and other handcrafters in action. To volunteer in your area of expertise contact the Mat-Su Council for Family & Community Education Program at 907-745-3360.