

## 2020 Meigs County Fair Covid Response Plan

- The information in this document is for Meigs County Sr. Fair Board Directors and authorized affiliated fair personnel only.
- This information should not be shared until a decision has been voted on by Meigs County Sr. Fair Board of Directors.
- This proposed plan and all information in this document is subject to change based upon ever changing rules and recommendations from the State of Ohio.

### General Information:

- As per the governors business Covid-19 mandates, require all employees to wear face coverings unless they are prohibited by law or regulation; in violation of documented industry standards; not advisable for health reasons; in violation of the business's documented safety policies; or there is a functional/practical reason not to wear one. They also are not required for employees who work alone in an assigned work area.
- All employees, vendors, contractors, and volunteers of the fair must conduct a self-assessment for symptoms of Covid-19 PRIOR to reporting to duty. Anyone that is experiencing a fever, cough or shortness of breath must notify the fair board and follow health department guidelines for isolation and/or quarantine.
- People at HIGH risk of severe illness from Covid-19 including elderly people and those who are sick, are urged to stay at their residence to the extent possible except as necessary to seek medical information

All ODA rules will be applicable and adhered to, INCLUDING ODA champion process requirements. Fair Books will be available on our website [www.themeigscountyfair.com](http://www.themeigscountyfair.com)

- Non livestock 4-H project judging will be conducted prior to the fair by each 4-H club advisor.
- *Weigh-in will be staggered over two days, Saturday & Sunday to reduce the number of people in the barns.*
- Jr. Fair booths will be set up at pre scheduled times with limited number of people present. (Who monitors and ensures social distancing)
- Accommodations for some 4-H Cloverbud group activities will be made. Cloverbud Show and Tell, Clover Clues and Cloverbud graduation will be held during fair week. (Who monitors and ensures social distancing)
  - No Skillathon will take place for 2020. However, project books, applicable ODA paperwork, and quality assurance are required to be completed in order for exhibitors to show. 4-H Club Advisors will check project books for completion.
  - All Kids games are canceled. (Kiddie Tractor Pull, Friday only, sanitize between each participant)
  - Self-serve is prohibited at the buyers hospitality table, must have a server.
  - Senior Bingo Event is canceled
  - Game Show events for the Rutland Building are canceled.
  - No 4H Game Night
- What are the Covid precautions for corn hole games? Sanitizing bags? Social distancing?
- Will additional seating be available for the motocross, tough track and derby?
- What are the Covid precautions for the arcade?
- What are the Covid precautions for the main office? Limited Capacity? Accessibility?
- How will social distancing be observed at the ride ticket booth?

### Rides

- Will operators be required to wear masks?
- Will rides be sanitized between riders?
- Allow for social distancing of at least 6-feet between individuals or household groups.
- Staff must wear face coverings?

- Games that require a host and that allow multiple players at the same time must limit the number of players to allow 6-foot spacing between riders.
- Guest will seat themselves on rides without assistance, if able, and the seating arrangements may need modified to allow for social distancing between riders.
- Must clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces between rider, players or users. Replace shared objects between uses. If replacement is not possible, clean and disinfect shared objects between uses with a Ohio EPA registered disinfectant capable of killing Coronavirus.

### General/Grounds:

- Signage regarding general symptoms or who have been exposed to someone confirmed with Covid-19 will be denied entry. (Anyone asking people about symptoms or taking temperatures?)
- Microphone sharing with properly sanitizing. Only one person may use a microphone at a time. Microphones must be sanitized between speakers.
- Portable toilets will be centralized or grouped and have washing station along with hand sanitizer. Portable toilets will be cleaned and sanitized each morning followed by another chlorine sanitizing in the afternoon. (Will the sanitizing be conducted by a service provider?)
- Hand sanitizer stations mounts on homemade stands will be placed near the entrance of each building.
- Permanent restrooms will be cleaned and sanitized every 2 hours during open hours (11am –11pm)
- Each entry gate will have a clear barrier between guests and gate workers, hand sanitizer and chlorine wipes will also be available. Health assessment signage will be posted at each gate and will be referred to by the gate workers. Volunteers, if available will be used to conduct health assessments. (Will additional security be available for the gates?)
- Public Service announcements using the Fair PA system will broadcast a review of Covid-19 precautions regularly throughout the day.

### Grandstand:

- Capacity will be reduce to 50%
- Additional security (Meigs Criminal Justice Program or other contracted services) in the stands to assist with seating and to close stands when capacity is met.
- Designated seating will be marked off throughout the stands. (How will social distancing be observed or controlled?)
- Infield parking for event participants only.
- Area in front of the grandstand will be reserved for lawn chair seating. (Will this area be marked for social distancing?)
- No physical contact during the meet and greet with performing music acts.

### Hill Stage

- Will the hill stage have limited seating and marked for social distancing? Who will monitor?

### Food Service:

- Food concessions shall comply with the standard RestartOhio COVID19 rules for restaurants.
- These include six-foot spacing marks for those in line, no self-serve areas, condiments placed on food by server or in self-contained packets and if there is a seating area, the tables/benches must be six feet apart to assure distance between parties.

- Food service workers are to have a mask unless doing so would be unsafe or dangerous to the health of the worker (fryer)
- Hand wash and sanitizer stations place near concession areas where food is consumed.  
 Will there be seating areas that congregate people, such as picnic tables and shelters houses?  
 Will concession trailers be spaced out to allow for 6-foot spacing will waiting for food?

#### **Buildings:**

- Capacity will be reduced by 50%. Will it be posted and how will it be monitored?
- Designated entrance and exit
- Directional signage for foot traffic inside the building
- Hand Sanitizer station located at the entrance.
- Staggered project setup times
- Chlorine disinfection of commonly touch services (gates, door handles, etc.) How often will this occur?

#### **Barns Areas:**

- Bleacher seating inside the Ridenour Livestock Arena will be reduced by 50%. Will a capacity number be posted and will bleachers be cleaned and sanitized?
- Due to social distancing requirements, ALL occupants, except Jr. Fair Exhibitors and judge(s) in show ring, must wear masks. Masks will be made available.

#### **Demo Derby:**

- The arena will be moved further back from the original location to allow for expanded seating along the racetrack.
- Truck parking backed in along the track may be limited but still allowed. Will these spaces be marked to ensure social distancing? Will there be additional volunteers or security to monitor stands and seating areas to ensure social distancing?
- Infield Parking limited to participants only.

#### **Harness Racing:**

- The fair must follow guidelines established by the Ohio Racing Commission called "Protocols for a safe return to racing." Will there be any special requirements for anyone working at the race program?
- Race office will be closed to all except race officials. Will officials be wearing masks and complying with social distancing as in general office Covid-19 requirements?
- Fees will be collected through the office window.
- Race betting is allowed but will be set away from the grandstand to prevent crowding around the grandstand entrance. Will the waiting area be marked for social distancing?

#### **Pull Track:**

- Stands and bleachers will have limited seating to allow for social distancing. Will they be marked for social distancing?
- Rented trackside spaces will be pushed back 12 feet to allow for expanded seating along the fence using personal lawn chairs. Due to the inconvenience, rented space will be free for these people at next year's fair. Will these spaces be marked to observe social distancing?
- Only Pullers will be allowed to park in the infield. Who will monitor for social distancing requirements?

#### **Animal Sale Day**

- To reduce the number of people in the show arena, all wood carvings will not be brought to the arena to sale. They will be auctioned from “Alice’s Porch” area. Also, non-animal items will not be auctioned in the arena on sale day.
- The size of the show pen may be reduced to allow more area for lawn chairs.
- The arena stands will marked for social distancing at limited capacity.