



Bob Thomas Equestrian Center

108th Annual Florida State Fair

February 9-20, 2012

Tampa, Florida

FOR SHOW AND STALL INFORMATION

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2012 Fair Schedule of Equestrian Events (Bob Thomas Equestrian Center)

Event Name	When	Where
American Quarter Horse Show	Feb.3-5 8:00 am	Covered Ring
Draft Horse Show	Feb. 9 at 12:00 pm Feb. 10 at 10:00 am	Gran Prix Ring
4-H Dog Show	Feb. 11	Covered Ring
Paso Fino Horse Show	Feb 11-12 At 8:00 AM	Annex Ring
Appaloosa Horse Show	Feb 12 At 8:00 AM	Covered Ring
Jack Russell Terrier Races	Feb. 12 At 12:00 pm	Pony Ring
Mounted Law Enforcement Training & Demonstrations	Feb. 13-18 8:00 AM	Annex Ring
Draft Horse Pull	Feb. 16 Light weights at 12:00 pm and heavy weights begin 45 minutes after light weights competition concludes	Gran Prix Ring
Miniature Donkey Show	Feb 17 At 9:00 AM	Covered Ring
Miniature Horse Show A.M.H.A A.M.H.R	Feb. 18-19 8:00 am	Covered Ring
I.L.M.R.A. Lawn Mower Races	Feb. 18-19 at 10:00 am	Gran Prix Ring

All acts, concerts, scheduled times, exhibitors, prices, and other advertised events are subject to change and/or cancel without notice.

ADMISSION & PARKING PASSES

ALL PASSES WILL BE ISSUED IN THE HORSE OWNER'S NAME. It will be up to the owners to allocate passes for trainers, grooms, family, and friends. Once passes are issued, they become the sole responsibility of the owner. Lost, stolen, or damaged passes are not replaced and applicable admission and parking fees apply for re-entry to the grounds.

ADMISSION AND PARKING PASSES ARE ISSUED BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PREPAID STALLS RESERVED

2 admission and 1 vehicle & driver pass per pre-paid stall, (including move-in and move-out days) per show day will be issued. In the event additional passes are needed, they may be purchased at the Gate.

AWARDS

Three (3) entries are required to fill a class in order to qualify for trophies or prize money. Classes with less than three (3) entries will be awarded ribbons.

The Florida State Fair Authority will pay any prize monies within 30 days of the close of the Fair. In order to receive prize monies, all entries must be on the official Florida State Fair form. All horses shall be entered in the name of the legal owner only, giving legal owner's complete address. **An IRS W-9 form is required to issue a premium check and must be on file with the Show Secretary.** All horses must be entered under their registered name and number.

All prize checks must be cashed within 60 days of the issuance or they become void. Checks cannot be issued without the above information. Errors in prize monies must be reported/corrected by April 1, 2011.

BARN AND PADDOCK CALLS OVER THE PA SYSTEM ARE CONSIDERED A COURTESY

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor and horse to be at the gate at the prescribed time. Classes will be called promptly. Two minutes will be allowed after the first horse enters the ring for the remainder of the class to enter. After that time, the gate will be closed. This includes exhibitors in multiple breed classes. Exhibitors are cautioned that tack changes should be arranged with the paddock master. No person will be allowed into the show ring during the judging of a class except the exhibitor and those having official duties to perform. Horse must remain on the Horse Show Grounds. They are not permitted in any other part of the Fair.

CAMPING AND CAMP SITES

Deadline for campsite reservations is December 15, 2010. Self-contained campsites are available at the rate of \$42.00 per night for a 30 amp spot and \$52.00 per night for a 50 amp spot. Full payment must be received on or before December 15, 2010, payable by check, money order or credit card. No Phone Requests. Reservations are mandatory. No tents are allowed. Payment for campsite must be separate from payment for stall reservation. Reserve your space early. In the event that no campsites are available, your payment will be returned to you. A camping reservation form is included in this Prize List, to accompany your payment. All campsites are assigned through the Fair Box Office. Once your payment has been received, your reservation will be made. You will not receive a confirmation. The Florida State Fair Authority takes no responsibility for lost, stolen, or damaged property. Please keep your vehicles locked. Check out time is 10:00 AM. Anyone staying beyond this time will be charged for an additional day.

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After December 15, 2011 Call 813-627-4360 to check for availability

DISCIPLINE

Show management will be charged with the responsibility of enforcing all breed show rules and regulations.

All entries must be on the official Florida State Fair form. Management reserves the right to remove a groom, handler, rider, driver, or horse from the show without being liable for compensation or damages.

All horses shall be entered in the name of the legal owner only, giving legal owner's complete address. All horses must be entered under their registered name and number.

GENERAL

Any person who violates any of the general rules or special rules as posted in this Premium List will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

1. Due to health and safety issues, no cooking will be allowed in the barns; food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas; and exhibitors should wash hands after handling animals.
2. Horses are restricted to the Equestrian Center and must not be taken from designated area. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by owner/handler or animals.
3. Smoking is not permitted in barns.
4. The use of alcohol is prohibited in the barns and livestock areas.
5. Show committee reserves the right to cancel any class not filled or change classes in case of bad weather.
6. Entries must be made at least two (2) classes prior to class to be entered. Class drop sheets must be made at least two (2) classes in advance and be on file with the show secretary to avoid charges for that class. An open check must be on file with the show secretary.
7. All dogs must be crated, or on a leash, and supervised at all times.
8. The show committee reserves the right to substitute a Show Official.
9. Exhibitors are warned that any act of discourtesy or abuse by owner, groom, rider, or driver will disqualify them from further participation in Florida State Fair Horse shows or other Fair events.
10. Show management also bears the responsibility to aid the judges in avoiding contact with exhibitors or the agents before or during the show. Any offensive or abusive contact with the judge by an exhibitor will be cause for immediate removal from the show and/or fair and fairgrounds.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

Florida residents must submit an original, negative Coggins test dated 12 months from the date of entry for examination by the State Inspector upon arrival. Out-of-state exhibitors must submit for inspection, a negative Coggins test dated less than 12 months from the date of entry and a Health Certificate signed by a veterinarian within the past 30 days.

INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to, and interpret the following Rules and Regulations; and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of connected with or incident to the Fair.

LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

- The owner/handler or custodian of property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds; either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage, or theft.
- The Fair, its officers and employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents, or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

NON-WALKING MODES OF TRANSPORTATION

No exhibitor owned and operated device will be allowed on the midway or in the equestrian area. This includes but is not limited to ATVs, mopeds, scooters, of any type, skateboards, rollerblades, roller skates, golf carts, or bicycles of any type or size. Violation of this warning will result in confiscation of said vehicle until completion of the Florida State Fair. Persons with disabilities must get permitted at the Orient Road credentials trailer and have a special pass acknowledged by security.

REFUND POLICY

Stall fees are NOT REFUNDABLE for any reason. Only stalls paid for in advance will guarantee entry onto the fairgrounds. This includes TACK stalls.

STALL RESERVATIONS

All stall reservations must be hand delivered or postmarked on or before January 30, 2012. Stall reservations may also be sent via email or fax. It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair website at www.bobthomasequestriancenter.com. Certified Mail or a Certificate of Mailing validated by the Post Office is recommended. A metered postmark will not be considered as a valid postmark for entry deadline purposes.

Stall Reservations

Due Date: postmarked on or before Jan 30 2012

ALL HORSES MUST HAVE A STALL TO SHOW

No Stall Reservations will Be Accepted After Jan 30 2012

PLEASE INDICATE FARM AFFILIATION AND OWNER/EXHIBITOR NAME

Owner / Exhibitor Name: _____

(Person responsible for picking up gate passes)

Farm Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Fax/Email: _____

Stalls needed Horses/Tack: _____ @ \$ _____ each = \$ _____

Early Arrival/Late Stay Fee: _____ @ \$20.00 per Stall = \$ _____

NO INITIAL BEDDING WILL BE PROVIDED

Bedding may be purchased at the Equestrian Center Phone: 813-740-3500

Please try to stable me with the following people:

1. _____ 2. _____

Please enter number next to the sex and breed of horse(s) being shown:

Breed	Sex	Fee	Move In	Move Out	Arrival Date
AQHA	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$50.00	02/2/12	02/5/12	
Draft Horse/Pony Hitch	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	NC	02/08/12	02/10/12	
Draft Horse/Pony Non-Hitch	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$50.00	02/08/12	02/10/12	
Appaloosa Horse	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$30.00	02/11/12	02/12/12	
Paso Fino Horse	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$50.00	02/10/12	02/12/12	
Police Horse	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$75.00	02/12/12	02/18/12	
Miniature Donkeys	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$30.00	02/16/12	02/17/12	
Miniature Horses	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> S	\$50.00	02/17/12	02/19/12	

EARLY ARRIVAL or LATE STAY FEE \$20.00 PER STALL PER DAY

TO GUARANTEE A STALL

E-MAIL OR FAX STALL RESERVATION FORM PRIOR TO January 30 2012

PAYMENT TO BE MADE AT TIME OF ARRIVAL

FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY CAMPGROUND RULES AND REGULATIONS

DURING FAIR-TIME RESERVATIONS ARE MANDATORY DURING NONFAIR EVENTS ALL CAMPSITES ARE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS

1. The campground is equipped with both 30 amp and 50 amp electrical hookups. The 30 amp electrical hookups are at a rate of \$42 per night, and 50 amp electrical hookups are \$52 per night.
2. All campsites may be paid for at the Administration Building, Equestrian Office, or directly to any Camping Office Rover. Please inquire upon check-in to be directed to the correct site in order to accommodate your electrical needs.
3. It is the sole responsibility of all campground guests to ensure payment is made upon arrival. Failure to do so may result in towing of any violator at owner's expense.
4. Current Permit showing proof of payment must be displayed in a window visible to the Camping Office Rover.
5. All guests are entitled to one (1) site that includes one (1) electrical outlet.
6. Each guest is allowed one (1) vehicle per campsite; inquire upon check-in as to where you may park any extra vehicle including car trailers.
7. All dogs must be on a leash according to Hillsborough County Leash Law.
8. You must clean up after your own pet(s).
9. Livestock including horses are not permitted inside the campground at anytime.
10. TENTS ARE PROHIBITED - We are strictly RV type camping only.
11. AWNINGS ARE PROHIBITED during any major event including the annual state fair.
12. There is absolutely no charcoal grilling allowed.
13. There are no open flames allowed including bon-fires.
14. You must be a licensed and insured driver to operate any motorized vehicle including golf carts, scooters, 4-wheelers, cars, and trucks.
15. No dumping of gray or black water on the grounds--all violators will be fined \$500 for first offense and may be ejected from the premises without a refund

**FLORIDA STATE FAIR
CAMPGROUND RESERVATION REQUEST
Deadline for campsite reservations is December 15, 2011**

P.O. BOX 11766, TAMPA, FLORIDA 33680
PHONE: 813-621-7821
FAX 813-740-4518

CAMPSITE INCLUDES: ELECTRICITY, WATER, AND SEWER OR DUMP STATION

Name (occupying space): _____

Exhibitor/Vendor/Concession Name: _____

Contact Number if Applicable: _____

Horse Show Participant? **Yes** **No** (check one) _____

Date of Show: _____

Mailing Address: _____

THE CURRENT CAMPING FEE IS \$42.00 PER NIGHT FOR A 30 AMP AND \$52.00 PER NIGHT FOR A 50 AMP. CHECK OUT TIME IS 10:00 A.M. STAYING BEYOND THIS TIME WILL RESULT IN A CHARGE FOR ANOTHER DAY.

Arrival Date: _____ **Departure Date:** _____

Total Number of Nights Camping: _____

Did You Have A Campground Space Last Year; **Yes** **No**

If Yes, Please give Location and Lot Number: _____

Note: Reservations are mandatory. No specific space will be guaranteed to any camper. Space will not be confirmed until total payment has been received. No refund will be made unless written notice is received two weeks prior to the event. We reserve the right to rent space if exhibit or concession is cancelled.

TENTS AND/OR AWNINGS ARE NOT PERMITTED

This application is being submitted to the Florida State Fair Authority for consideration for campground space for the above listed dates. I have enclosed full payment as part of this application and understand that this camping space may not be reassigned or exchanged without the approval of the Florida State Fair Authority or a designated representative.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

