

CHAPTER 33
AGRICULTURAL FAIRS

Authority

N.J.S.A. 5:8-121 et seq.

Source and Effective Date

R.1995 d.226, effective May 1, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 610(a), 27 N.J.R. 1791(a).

Executive Order No. 66(1978) Expiration Date

Chapter 33, Agricultural Fairs, expires on May 1, 2000.

Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 33, Agricultural Fairs, was adopted as R.1974 d.254, effective September 19, 1974. See: 6 N.J.R. 294(b), 6 N.J.R. 386(a). Chapter 33 was repealed and new rules regarding Agricultural Fairs were adopted as R.1989 d.129, effective March 6, 1989. See: 20 N.J.R. 2954(a), 21 N.J.R. 633(b).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 33 expired on March 6, 1994. A new Chapter 33, Agricultural Fairs, was adopted as R.1995 d.226. See: Source and Effective Date.

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

2:33-1.1 Agricultural fairs: qualifications

(a) Each person, corporation or association certified as an "Official Agricultural Fair" shall hold an agricultural exhibition, whose primary purpose is the development and promotion of several, or many, phases of agriculture or agribusiness in and of that county, by conducting educational programs, activities, demonstrations, contests and exhibitions.

(b) In addition to the requirements of (a) above, the fairs shall conduct two activities related to the following:

- 1. Manufacturing, commerce and industry;
2. Community development and improvement;
3. Promotion of products and services;
4. Public service events and projects;
5. County interest projects;
6. Cultural works and collections of art;

7. Any activity approved by the entire association for the benefit of the community; and/or

8. Recreational activities.

(c) No person, corporation or association shall operate a fair or exhibition in any county under the designation "Official Agricultural Fair" without obtaining a certificate to operate from the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

2:33-1.2 Responsibilities of certified fair

(a) Each person, corporation or association certified as an "Official Agricultural Fair" shall:

- 1. Furnish annually a detailed fair status report on forms prescribed by the Department of Agriculture (see Appendix incorporated herein by reference);
2. Comply with all county and municipal health, fire, police and sanitation regulations; and
3. Furnish on request, a copy of the annual fair audit report.

(b) The New Jersey Secretary of Agriculture, or his or her designee, may enter the premises of any "Official Agricultural Fair" at reasonable times to determine compliance with this chapter.

2:33-1.3 Procedure for certification

(a) To receive certification as an "Official Agricultural Fair," all applicants must annually file their proposals with the Department of Agriculture by September 1 of the year preceding the one in which the fair is to be held. A copy shall be submitted to the County Board of Agriculture for its comment.

(b) The County Board of Agriculture shall submit any comments concerning the application to the Department of Agriculture on or before November 1 of the year preceding the fair.

(c) After consideration of the proposal, and any comments submitted by the County Board of Agriculture, the State Board of Agriculture shall either deny or approve certification of any proposed "Official Agricultural Fair", in accordance with the qualifications listed in N.J.A.C. 2:33-1.1(a) and (b).

APPENDIX

Date _____

NEW JERSEY AGRICULTURAL FAIR
REPORT 19__

Name of Fair _____

Date Held _____ Estimated Attendance _____

IMPORTANT: LIST ALL FEATURE/EVENTS WHICH IDENTIFY THIS AS AN AGRICULTURAL FAIR:

LIVESTOCK: PLEASE COUNT EACH ANIMAL

Beef _____ Horses _____ Poultry _____
Goats _____ Dairy _____ Swine _____
Rabbits _____ Sheep _____ Other _____

FAIRGROUNDS

Owned by Fair Association _____
Leased _____ From _____
Other (Specify) _____
Acres Total _____
Acres Used for Parking _____

ORGANIZATION

Is your Fair Association organized as a Non-Profit Corporation?
Yes _____ No _____

If not give organization _____

Accounts Audited Annually Yes _____ No _____

List Name and Address of Officers

Signature

Title

Return this form to:

New Jersey Department of Agriculture
CN 330
Trenton, New Jersey 08625
Attn: Richard Kuhn