

2026 Saline Community Fair - General Merchant Barn Information

Happy 90th Birthday to the Saline Community Fair **1936 - 2026**

Dates: Wednesday September 2, 2026 - Sunday, September 6, 2026
Monday, September 7, is Labor Day and will be rides only.

Set up dates/times:

Monday, August 31	1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Tuesday, September 1	1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Wednesday September 2	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Take down dates/times: You may start take-down of your booth at 9:30 p.m. and exit the building not before 10 p.m. on Sunday. This is because the livestock are being removed and the trailers need to have access to the other barns.
The building must be cleared out by 10 a.m. Monday.

Merchant Building Hours: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday to Saturday
11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday
Building will be locked during off hours

You do not need to occupy your booth the entire time. We encourage you to be present as much as possible, especially at the opening hours on the first day of the fair, the closing hours of the fair on Sunday and for any special events, ie: Children's Day, Ladies Day and any other events posted on our website. We do ask that you make sure your booth is kept clean and neat. We will **NOT** be responsible for any materials at your booth. We hope to be full this year so please get your contracts, deposit checks and insurance certificate sent in as soon as possible and no later than May 1st. **Final payment is due August 1st unless special arrangements are made.**

Carnival Dates: Wednesday, September 2 through Monday, September 7, 2026.

Events This Year: Special events are planned for our **90th birthday**. Please visit our website: www.salinefair.org or our Facebook page, *Saline Community Fair*, for updates.

Rates for Vendors for the Entire Week:

Inside booth rates: 8 ft x 10 ft = \$150

Multiple booth rates: 2 booths \$275, 3 booths \$400, 4 booths \$550,
More than 4 are \$125 each. No Political entities allowed inside the building.

Outside rates start at \$150 to \$200 for 10 ft x 10 ft space.

Contact Dale Radak for rates on larger outside spaces.

Electric rates: 110 volts	\$25.00	Inside and outside
220 volts	\$75.00	Outside only

Liability Insurance Fair Rider: \$60.00 (Merchant Building Only)

Table Rates: \$10.00 each for 6ft or 8ft

Booth Deposit: \$50.00 will hold your space. Full Balance due August 1, 2026

Fair Passes: Each booth receives 2 season passes. You may exchange these passes for daily passes. Each season pass equals 5 daily passes. Let us know during setup.

No one will be let into the fair without a pass. If you or your employees do not have a pass, they will need to purchase a daily pass. You may purchase more season/daily passes if needed.

Parking Pass: Each Booth will receive 1 parking pass for our front parking area. **Additional parking passes cannot be purchased.** Additional free parking is available in the lot south of the fairgrounds.

Merchant Contest: Once again, we will be holding a contest to choose the Grand Champion Booth. Three winners will be chosen: First place receives \$100.00 and a Banner. Second place receives \$50.00. Third place receives \$25.00. **The colors for this year will be purple and gold.** Judges will take into consideration the amount of time spent preparing the display, neatness, attractiveness, as well as the ability to promote your product or service. Awards will be distributed immediately following judging. Previous year Grand Champion will not be eligible for Grand Champion this year. Last year's Grand Champion was R U GAME.

Giveaways and Raffle Items. If you are able, we encourage our merchants and vendors to provide a small giveaway item (pen, pads of paper, fly swatters, etc.) and to have a raffle item. Raffle items are a great way to get contact information. The winners of our raffles will be chosen at the end of the fair, on Sunday night at 8:30 pm in the Open Show Arena. You will receive a 3x5 card to write a description of your raffle item. Bring this card and your entries to the Open Show Arena. The card will be read by the moderator and the winner drawn.

Ladies Day: The organizers of Ladies Day are requesting any merchant or vendor to donate, if they can, one special item for a raffle or 200 small items that could be placed in the Ladies Day giveaway bags. All ladies that attend the program are given a bag from local merchants to take home. This is a great way to get your name out and advertise your product or service.

Contract Information: If you or any home or retail business you know is interested in renting a space at the 2026 Saline Community Fair, please go to our website (www.salinefair.org) and click on **Forms and Downloads**. Then scroll to the bottom to **Vendor Items**. The information and forms are there. Or email us. Return the **signed** contract to the appropriate address below.

Liability Insurance: All merchants and vendors, inside and out, must have liability insurance to participate in the fair. You need to provide a copy of your liability insurance, naming Saline Community Fair as the insured before you can set up. If liability insurance is needed, fill out the rider form and return it with your contract. **(The fee for the rider is \$60.00)**

If you cannot participate in this year's fair, please let us know as soon as possible so we do not hold space for you.

If the fair must be cancelled due to a state of emergency, we will work with you to return your fee or hold it for a future fair. If you have questions, please email us.

Thank you. We look forward to seeing you at the fair!

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