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This edition does not contain livestock exhibitor rules pursuant to Ohio's Livestock Exhibitor Reform Act. For updates on the livestock rules or any questions on the livestock rules, please call the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Animal Industry at (614) 728-6220 or review the following websites: http://codes.ohio.gov/orc for laws or http://codes.ohio.gov/oac for rules.

Persons desiring a copy of the laws and rules governing amusement rides, games of skill and the sale of novelties at agricultural fairs can secure a copy by contacting the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Division of Ride Safety at (614) 728-6280 or access them at the ORC or OAC websites.

Information from the Redbook is intended to be used merely as a guide and should not be substituted for the advice of a competent attorney when legal questions arise. If a point of law is raised, it is best to consult an attorney.

As of publication of this document, several changes are being considered in Ohio Law which will affect Agricultural societies. As soon as these Revised Code Changes occur or the corresponding rules are adopted, changes will be made on ODA’s website.
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