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ANIMAL SPECTATOR EVENTS IN RURAL ZONING DISTRICTS

Section 3:3.22, Unified Code of Zoning and Land Development Regulations

3:3.22-1 Animal Spectator Events

Animal spectator events are events which include horse parks and equestrian event facilities, rodeos, bull riding, and other commercial animal riding events. Facilities for animal spectator events in the rural zoning districts must comply with the following requirements:

- A. Spectator capacity shall be limited to 100 people.
- B. Events shall be limited to a maximum of four (4) days per month.
- C. Loudspeakers shall not be used after sunset.
- D. The facility shall be vacated no later than one hour after sunset.
- E. A perimeter buffer for non-residential uses per the provisions of this Ordinance shall be required along the property line to shield residences from parking areas, stockyards, barns, restrooms, concession stands, truck unloading areas, and other similar uses.
- F. All portions of the property must be designed and maintained to allow drainage to flow off active use areas so as to prevent ponding and propagation of insects or pollution of adjacent streams. SCDHEC permitting requirements shall always prevail.
- G. The lot must be maintained in a sanitary condition through the use of lime and pesticides.
- H. Barns, stables, arenas, and other event facilities must be at least fifty (50) feet from the rear or side property line, at least 500 feet from the nearest adjacent residence, and at least 50 feet from any swimming pool.
- I. Manure piles shall be located at least 100 feet from any property line; at least 200 feet from any dwelling, swimming pool, patio, water body, etc. that is located on-site or on an adjacent lot; and shall meet all SCDHEC requirements.
- J. Farm equipment may be parked on the property to include transportation equipment when directly utilized as a part of the event.
- K. Parking requirements are per individual review. Approval shall be subject to consideration of seating capacity, size of designated parking area, ingress and egress, erosion control, adequate parking areas for animal trailers, and other issues specific to the site and proposed use.
- L. Permanent stadium seating is subject to all applicable building permit requirements. Temporary seating for special events must have prior approval from the Planning Official and be removed within 30 days of any special event.
- M. Lighting shall be shielded so as to not cause off-site nuisance to residences and/or motorists.
- N. Vendors for special events shall meet all vendor conditions of this Article. All food vendors must present proof of SCDHEC approval.
- O. Signage shall conform to the sign regulation provisions of this Ordinance.