



## Arlington County Fair 50/50 Raffle - Official Rules

### 1. ORGANIZATION AND SPONSOR:

The Arlington County Fair 50/50 Raffle (the "Raffle") is sponsored by the Arlington County Fair Board (the "Sponsor"), a qualified charitable organization under Virginia law, with its principal place of business at PO Box 42002, Arlington, VA 22204, (703) 829-7471. EIN: 54-1048927. This Raffle is conducted in conjunction with the Arlington County Fair.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible to purchase a Raffle ticket and win a prize, an individual must:

- Be at least eighteen (18) years of age or older at the time of ticket purchase.
- Be physically present in Arlington County, Virginia, at the Arlington County Fair at time of ticket purchase.
- Not be an employee, officer, director, or board member of the Sponsor, nor an immediate family member (defined as spouse, parent, child, sibling, and their respective spouses, regardless of where they live) of any such employee, officer, director, or board member.
- Not be an individual involved in the conduct or administration of the Raffle.

The Raffle is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and is void where prohibited by law. This Raffle is conducted in compliance with Virginia Code § 18.2-340.15 et seq. and applicable regulations of the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS), Office of Charitable and Regulatory Programs (OCRCP).

### 3. HOW TO ENTER:

- **Ticket Purchase:** Raffle tickets may be purchased in person at designated sales locations within the Arlington County Fairgrounds during the Fair operating hours.
- **Ticket Prices:** 1 ticket for \$5.00
- **Ticket Information:** Each ticket will have a unique serial number. The portion of

the ticket bearing this number must be retained by the purchaser as proof of purchase and for prize redemption. Tickets are valid only for the drawing on Sunday, August 17, 2025.

- **Forms of Payment:** The Arlington County Fair Board operates in a cash-less environment. To purchase tickets, a patron must pay by credit or debit card. Some payment terminals may accept Apple Pay or Google Wallet.
- **No Purchase Necessary:** Virginia law does not require a "no purchase necessary" option for raffles conducted by qualified organizations selling tickets.

#### 4. RAFFLE PERIOD AND DRAWINGS:

- **Raffle Dates:** The Raffle ticket sales will be conducted daily during the Arlington County Fair, from Friday, August 15, 2025, through 4:00pm Sunday, August 17, 2025 or until such time that the Arlington County Fair Board runs out of the allotted raffle tickets.
- **Daily Drawings:** One (1) manual drawing to determine a unique winner will be held at approximately 5:00 PM Eastern Time (ET) on Sunday, August 17, 2025.
- **Drawing Location:** The drawing will take place on the Entertainment Stage located on the upper field of the Arlington County Fairgrounds.
- **Drawing Procedure:** Before the prize drawing, the stub or other detachable section of each ticket sold for the Raffle will be placed into a single receptacle. One winning ticket will be randomly drawn from the receptacle by a designated official. A single unique winner will be selected.

#### 5. PRIZE:

- **Prize:** The prize for the drawing will be fifty percent (50%) of the total gross proceeds collected from the sale of Raffle tickets for the duration of the raffle. The remaining fifty percent (50%) of the Prize Pool will be retained by the Sponsor to support its charitable purposes.
- There will be only one (1) winner.

#### 6. WINNER NOTIFICATION AND CLAIMING PRIZE:

- **Winner Announcement:** The winning ticket number for the drawing will be announced live at the drawing location and time. The winning number will also be posted at a designated information desk at the Arlington County Fair and, on the Arlington County Fair official website within twenty-four (24) hours of the drawing.
- **Presence Not Required:** Winners do not need to be present at the drawing to win.
- **Prize Claim Period:** The holder of a winning ticket must claim their prize within one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days from the date of the drawing.
- **How to Claim Prize:**

- **If Present at Drawing:** The winner may present their winning ticket and valid government-issued photo identification to a designated Raffle official at the Entertainment Stage or the information desk immediately following the announcement.
- **If Not Present at Drawing:** To claim the prize, the winner must contact the Sponsor by (703) 829-7471 or [info@arlingtoncountyfair.us](mailto:info@arlingtoncountyfair.us) during business hours (Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM ET) within the 180-day claim period. The winner will be required to provide the original winning raffle ticket and a copy of their valid government-issued photo identification that matches the name provided. Arrangements will be made for prize collection or delivery.
- **Verification:** Prizes are awarded only after we verify the winner's eligibility and compliance with the official rules. The original winning raffle ticket is the only valid proof for claiming a prize.

However, if a winner has lost their ticket, the Arlington County Fair Board Chair may, at their discretion, accept a photo of the original ticket. The winner must also provide a valid U.S. driver's license that has a first name, last name, and address matching the information on the winning ticket stub from the drawing.

- **Unclaimed Prizes:** If a prize is not claimed within one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days of the drawing date, or if a potential winner is found to be ineligible or fails to comply with these Official Rules, the Arlington County Fair Board will follow all procedures outlined in the Virginia Code § 58.1-4020. Unclaimed prizes.

## 7. TAX OBLIGATIONS AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS:

- **Taxes:** All federal, state, and local taxes imposed on the prize are the sole responsibility of the winner.
- **IRS Forms:** The winner will be required to provide the Sponsor with their full legal name, address, and Social Security Number (or Taxpayer Identification Number) and complete an IRS Form W-9. If the prize amount is \$600.00 or more, the Sponsor will issue an IRS Form W-2G to the winner and the IRS for the value of the prize. If the prize amount is over \$5,000.00, the Sponsor is required to withhold and remit to the IRS federal income tax at the applicable rate from the prize amount.
- **No Charitable Deduction:** The IRS position is that amounts paid for chances in raffles, lotteries, or similar drawings for valuable prizes are wagers, and are not deductible as charitable contributions. No portion of the raffle ticket purchase price is tax-deductible as a charitable contribution.

## 8. GENERAL CONDITIONS:

- **Binding Rules:** By participating in the Raffle, entrants agree to be bound by these Official Rules and by the decisions of the Sponsor, which shall be final and binding in all respects.
- **Lost/Stolen Tickets:** The Sponsor is not responsible for lost, stolen, damaged, illegible, late, misdirected, or mutilated tickets or for any errors in the printing of tickets or in the administration of the Raffle.
- **Ticket Validity:** The designated raffle ticket is the only valid receipt for claiming a prize. Any ticket that is unissued, illegible, counterfeit, altered, or tampered with in any way, or which contains printing or other errors, will be void.
- **Non-Transferable:** Raffle tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable.
- **Disqualification:** The Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual found to be tampering with the entry process or the operation of the Raffle, or to be acting in violation of these Official Rules, or in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner.
- **Modification/Cancellation:** The Sponsor reserves the right to cancel, suspend, or modify the Raffle, or any part of it, if any fraud, technical failures, or any other factor beyond the Sponsor's reasonable control impairs the integrity or proper functioning of the Raffle, as determined by the Sponsor in its sole discretion, and subject to any approval of VDACS if required.

## 9. PUBLICITY RELEASE:

Except where prohibited by law, acceptance of a prize constitutes the winner's consent for the Sponsor and its designees to use the winner's name, likeness, photograph, voice, opinions, biographical information, and city and state of residence for promotional and publicity purposes in any and all media, worldwide, in perpetuity, without further payment, consideration, notice, review, or consent.

## 10. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND RELEASE:

By participating in the Raffle, entrants agree to release, discharge, indemnify, and hold harmless the Sponsor, the Arlington County Fair Board, Arlington County Government, and their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, and representatives (collectively, the "Released Parties") from and against any and all claims, liability, losses, damages, or causes of action (however named or described) arising out of or relating to participation in the Raffle, the acceptance, possession, use, or misuse of any prize awarded, or any travel or activity related thereto. The Released Parties are not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate information, whether caused by participants, printing errors, or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Raffle.

## 11. GOVERNING LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

This Raffle and these Official Rules shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, without regard to its conflict of laws principles. Any

and all disputes, claims, and causes of action arising out of or connected with this Raffle or any prize awarded shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, and exclusively by the appropriate state or federal court located in Arlington County, Virginia.

## **12. WINNERS LIST:**

For the winning ticket number, visit the Arlington County Fair Information Booth during the Fair or check [www.arlingtoncountyfair.us](http://www.arlingtoncountyfair.us) after August 17, 2025. To request the name of the winner by mail, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Arlington County Fair 50/50 Raffle Winners List, c/o Arlington County Fair Board, PO Box 42002, Arlington, VA 22204. Requests must be received by September 30, 2025.

## **13. SPONSOR CONTACT:**

For questions regarding the Raffle, please contact:

Arlington County Fair Board

Matthew Richard, Chair

(703) 829-7471

[info@arlingtoncountyfair.us](mailto:info@arlingtoncountyfair.us)

[www.arlingtoncountyfair.us](http://www.arlingtoncountyfair.us)

**PLEASE RETAIN YOUR RAFFLE TICKET STUB OR E-RECEIPT. THESE ARE YOUR ONLY PROOF OF PURCHASE. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ARLINGTON COUNTY FAIR BOARD!**