



## Now Accepting Press Credential Requests for 2024 Illinois State Fair

Requests for Illinois State Fair press credentials should be made on company letterhead and include:

1. The number of parking passes and admission badges needed.
2. The signature and title of the person submitting the credentials request.
3. A list of all **WORKING MEDIA PERSONNEL**, including job title, who will receive the credentials.

Please return request to [isf.pressoffice@illinois.gov](mailto:isf.pressoffice@illinois.gov) by **July 26, 2024**. A confirmation email will be sent once your request is received. Please note that media credentials are not issued on the spot. Therefore, please do not stop by the office without submitting a request first. **You will be notified via email when your request has been approved.**

As a reminder, press credentials are limited to working members of the media including reporters, photographers, videographers and editors. **General office or sales staff will not be approved for media credentials.** Discount admission booklets are available for those individuals.

Press credential requests for grandstand concert coverage will NOT be available for the 2024 Illinois State Fair.

It is recommended that credentials be picked-up prior to the fair or during Press Preview Day on Thursday, August 1 at 11 a.m. A photo will be taken at time of pick-up.

The Illinois State Fair Press Office is located in the Emerson Building on Main Street. It is open weekdays, except holidays, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During the fair, hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact the Illinois State Fair Press Office at (217) 524-9825.

Thank you for your coverage of the 2024 Illinois State Fair!

Sincerely,

Lori Harlan

IDOA Public Information Officer



**PRESS CREDENTIALS REQUEST - DEADLINE TO APPLY JULY 26**

REQUESTING AGENCY/ORGANIZATION:	
DIVISION (if applicable):	
NAME OF EVENT (or) EXHIBIT:	
EVENT/EXHIBIT LOCATION:	
REASON FOR CREDENTIALS REQUEST:	

Person requesting credentials:		
Phone number:		
Email:		
Signature of Requestor:		Date:

**SEASONAL** requests are for those working **ALL** 11 days of the fair  
**DAILY** requests are for those **NOT** working all 11 days of the fair

**Daily requests must include a work/shift schedule justifying the request (no names required).**

**Seasonal requests must include name of recipient.**

Incomplete credential requests will not be processed.

Please submit requests no later than **July 26**. Credentials will not be available for pick up prior to **July 1**.

Please allow a minimum 24-hour processing time before the credentials can be picked up.

Recipient will receive email notification when order is completed.

**Credentials are for working media only.** You must include the media outlet you are working for.

Credentials must be picked up in person.

Media requests for Grandstand concerts are NOT being accepted in 2024.

Credential requests will be reviewed and granted approval at the discretion of IDOA/ISF Executive Staff.

Submit requests by email ([isf.pressoffice@illinois.gov](mailto:isf.pressoffice@illinois.gov)), in person at the Emmerson Building, or by mail (Credentials Office, PO Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794).

If you have any questions, please call the Credentials office at (217) 524-9825.

Approval Signature:		Date:
Posted By:		Date:

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filled by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SEASONAL REQUEST – for those working ALL 11 days of the fair					
Seasonal Books contain 11 admission tickets			CREDENTIALS OFFICE USE ONLY		
Name	# of Admission Books	# of Parking	ADMISSION #	PARKING #	LOT
TOTAL:					

DAILY PASSES- media that will only be on the ground a few days during the fair					
ALL DAILY PARKING NEEDS WILL BE ISSUED LOT #18 <small>(unless detailed justification requesting otherwise is included &amp; approved)</small>			CREDENTIALS OFFICE USE ONLY		
DATE	# OF ADMISSIONS	# OF PARKING	ADMISSION #	PARKING #	LOT
<b>Thursday 8/8</b> County Fairs & Horse Racing Day					18
<b>Friday 8/9</b> Agriculture Day					18
<b>Saturday 8/10</b> Kids Day					18
<b>Sunday 8/11</b> Veterans & Gold Star Families Day					18
<b>Monday 8/12</b> Senior & Scout Day					18
<b>Tuesday 8/13</b> Two's Day					18
<b>Wednesday 8/14</b> Governor's Day					18
<b>Thursday 8/15</b> Republican Day					18
<b>Friday 8/16</b> First Responder Day					18
<b>Saturday 8/17</b> Park District Conservation Day					21 or E
<b>Sunday 8/18</b> Family Day					21 or E

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filled by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_