



## Health & Safety at The Big Fresno Fair

The Big Fresno Fair is the largest annual event in the Central Valley and the fifth largest in the state of California, attracting nearly 550,000 visitors during the 12-day event. The Fair's top priority is to provide a safe and healthy environment for families to enjoy. This is a huge responsibility, which the Fair management takes very seriously.

To annually provide a safe and healthy environment for patrons, the Fair works with a variety of State, County, City and private agencies to comply with and exceed the health & safety requirements set forth by the State of California, County of Fresno and City of Fresno.

The Big Fresno Fair works with the following agencies:

- **Fresno County Department of Public Health**  
The Big Fresno Fair works closely with the Fresno County Department of Public Health to ensure all food & drink vendors comply with the regulations as specified in the California Health and Safety Code.
- **Fresno Police Department**  
The Big Fresno Fair contracts annually with the Fresno City Police Department to oversee and work in conjunction with other Fair security operations to ensure the safety of Fair visitors. Managed by Sergeant Mark Hudson, the Fair works year-round developing the security plan and meets frequently beginning in August on the implementation of that plan for the upcoming event. "The effort that The Big Fresno Fair puts forth to ensure the safety of its patrons is unmatched. It is a model for the state, if not for the nation, in regards to how to effectively work with local law enforcement and other contracted security," said Sergeant Mark Hudson, Fresno Police Department.
- **Fresno County Private Security**  
Fresno County Private Security is contracted by The Big Fresno Fair to work in conjunction and augment other contracted Fair security to ensure the safety of patrons.
- **California Fair Services Authority (CFSA)**  
Each year, The Big Fresno Fair works closely with the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA), a not-for-profit joint powers authority in Sacramento, California offering member services including: safety specialists, risk pool management, loss control expertise, claims adjusting, accounting and more. CFSA inspectors work with the Fair to ensure the safety of all buildings and attractions in an effort to make the Fair a safe place to visit. Inspections by CFSA are ongoing throughout the run of the Fair on all general Fairground public areas, buildings and the Table Mountain Rancheria Park.
- **American Ambulance**  
American Ambulance is contracted by The Big Fresno Fair to have a physical presence on grounds to provide emergency medical response for medical related needs during the Fair.



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- **Comspeq Consulting, Inc.**  
The Big Fresno Fair has contracted Comspeq Consulting, Inc. to inspect all carnival rides. The company will conduct ride inspections during the carnival set up and also during the first several days of the Fair, after which CFSA inspectors will take over checking ride logs and making sure the rides continue to operate properly and safe.
- **State Fire Marshall's Office & Fresno City Fire Department**  
The Big Fresno Fair works closely with the State Fire Marshall to ensure there are no fire hazards at the Fair and that all buildings are within fire safety compliance. Additionally, the Fair works with the Fresno Fire Department to ensure there is a quick response plan in place should there be an emergency.



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