South Carolina State Clear Bag Policy

To provide a safer environment for the public and significantly expedite guest entry into the stadium, South Carolina State will implement a new bag policy in 2020-21 for all ticketed events at Oliver C. Dawson Stadium (football) and Smith-Hammond-Middleton Memorial Center (men’s and women’s basketball) that limits the size and type of bags that may be brought into the venue.

Guests will be able to carry the following style and size bag, package or container into the venue:

• Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12."
• One-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziploc bag or similar).
• Small clutch bags, no larger than 4.5” x 6.5”, with or without a handle or strap can be taken into the venue with one of the clear plastic bags.
• An exception will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection.

Prohibited bags include, but are not limited to: purses larger than a clutch bag, briefcases, backpacks, fanny packs, cinch bags, luggage of any kind, non-approved seat cushions or seatbacks, computer bags, diaper bags, binocular cases, and camera bags. Guests will continue to be able to enjoy their tailgate activities in the parking lots and to do so with greater safety and the knowledge that their entry into the venue will be smoother and faster. They also will continue to be able to carry items allowed into the venue, such as binoculars, cameras, and smart phones.

List of Prohibited Items:

• Alcohol
• All non-clear bags (all bags subject to search)
• Animals (with the exception of service animals)
• Containers of any kind (coolers, cans, etc)
• Flags and flagpoles
• Folding chairs
• Food and beverage (except for an unopened 20 oz. or smaller bottle of water)
• Projectiles (including footballs, Frisbees, etc.)
• Seat cushions with any metal, pockets, arm rests or backs
• Strollers
• Umbrellas
• Video Cameras
• Weapons of any kind
• Any other item that may impair the view/enjoyment of others
*Non-approved seat cushions and seatbacks include large traditional seat cushions that have pockets, zippers, compartments, or covers. Seat cushions and seatbacks must be 16” or less in width with no armrests.