
AGRICULTURE BUILDING
(DEPARTMENTS 17–27)
GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

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- **Please note: Changes have been made throughout Departments 17–27 (Agriculture Building). To avoid any confusion, please review all rules and regulations. NEW for 2025: Tuesday entry time 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**
- ☑ Pre-entry or advance registration is recommended. Fill out and submit the online form at ☞ www.carvercountyfair.com/exhibit or fill out the [PDF form](#) and drop off or mail to: ✉ 501 West 3rd Street, Waconia, MN 55387.
- We highly recommend anyone with 10 entries or more to pre-register. If you cannot pre-register online, fill out the [PDF form](#) and drop off or mail it to the Fair office.
- **Only one entry in a class will be permitted by an exhibitor.** In case of duplicate entries by the same exhibitor, neither exhibit will qualify for judging.
- Entries are required to be made in the owner's name only. However, entries may be brought for competition by another individual or group.
- All exhibits competing for premiums must be grown or created by the person exhibiting them.
- **The exhibits must be grown or completed in the current year with exceptions where noted behind the class name.**
- The same exhibit **may not** be entered for premiums more than 1 year; entries should be from the current year.
- Entries are required to be delivered and remain on exhibit as designated by individual departments.
- **Entries will be accepted on Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**
- **No late or walk-in entries will be taken after 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday. All PRE-REGISTERED entry tags have until 5:00 p.m. to pick up tags and take exhibits to the correct Department.**
- Entries will be taken in the Agriculture Building.
- During drop-off times, once you have your tag, please check in with the department workers with your exhibit. They will assist with tagging your item and putting it in the designated area. We ask this to lessen confusion in each of the departments and to avoid mistakes.
- A superintendent has the authority to reject an entry based on entry requirements.
- Exhibits may not be removed until 8:00 p.m. on the last day of the fair. If you remove your exhibit prior to this time, you forfeit your entire premium check.
- Exhibits will not be eligible for awards unless they are of good quality. No articles borrowed for competition, nor those incorrectly named, are eligible.

- Entries will be judged and awarded a place based on quality and merit. A judge may determine that an entry does not meet specific criteria and is not required to award a placing.
- Judges' decisions are final.
- Buildings are closed to the exhibitors and the general public during judging. An exhibitor is not allowed to discuss or influence a judge's decision. The entry will be disqualified if this occurs.
- Participation ribbons will be awarded to all youth/child classes, 65 years & over classes, and health care classes.
- The same photograph cannot be used in multiple divisions/classes.
- All photographs need to be framed and ready to hang including a label with name, address and phone number on the back.
- No solicitation of a sale of the entered item may occur.
- The department will make every effort to assure the safety of all articles after arrival and placement, but **in no event will the department be responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits.**
- **Please note: when picking up your exhibit, you must go through the Department staff to get your item(s). Do not go into any of the showcases on your own. This is to protect exhibits from accidental breakage and to correctly identify the items.**
- **Please note:** when picking up your exhibit, please have your claim ticket or photo ID with you to ensure the right exhibit goes to the correct exhibitor.
- **Exhibits not removed Sunday evening (8 to 9:30 p.m.) can be picked up Monday from 9 a.m. to noon. Any exhibits not removed by noon on Monday will be property of the Carver County Fair.**
- Premium checks will be available Sunday evening after 8:00 p.m. in the respective buildings/barns and will have a 30-day validation date. Please bring a photo ID or your claim ticket. If check is not picked up Sunday evening, it will be mailed to you.

DEPARTMENT 18: FRUITS

Judging: Wednesday, 7:00 a.m., Agriculture Building

- **Attention Exhibitors: Please review all general guidelines for Departments 17–27 at the beginning of this document.**
 - All fruit competing for premiums must have been grown in Carver or adjoining counties by the person in whose name it is entered.
- ☑ **Tips for Fruit Exhibitors:**
- Leave stems on apples and pears.
 - Remove stems on plums and cherries.
 - Points to be taken into consideration in awarding premiums in this division will be: color, size and uniformity of specimens. Freedom from disease and worms will also be considered.
 - Paper plates will be furnished to exhibitors.

Division A: Apples (5 specimens)

- Class 1: Beacon
 - Class 2: Connell Red
 - Class 3: Cortland
 - Class 4: Fireside
 - Class 5: Haralson
 - Class 6: Honeycrisp
 - Class 7: Honeygold
 - Class 8: McIntosh
 - Class 9: Minjon
 - Class 10: Northwestern
 - Class 11: Prairie Spy
 - Class 12: Red Baron
 - Class 13: Regent
 - Class 14: State Fair
 - Class 15: Sweet 16
 - Class 16: Wealthy
 - Class 17: Yellow Delicious
 - Class 18: Zestar
 - Class 19: Any other variety, properly labeled
 - Class 20: 🏆 Champion Apples
 - Class 21: 🏆 Reserve Champion Apples
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division B: Crabapples (10 specimens)

- Class 1: Centennial
 - Class 2: Chestnut
 - Class 3: Dolgo
 - Class 4: Whitney
 - Class 5: Any other, properly labeled
 - Class 6: 🏆 Champion Crabapples
 - Class 7: 🏆 Reserve Champion Crabapples
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division C: Other Tree Fruit (8 specimens)

- Class 1: Cherry plums
 - Class 2: Hybrid plums
 - Class 3: Pears, Parker
 - Class 4: Pears, Patten
 - Class 5: Any other fruit not listed
 - Class 6: 🏆 Champion Other Tree Fruit
 - Class 7: 🏆 Reserve Champion Other Tree Fruit
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division D: Berries (1 pint)

- Class 1: Currants
 - Class 2: Gooseberries
 - Class 3: Raspberries
 - Class 4: Strawberries
 - Class 5: Any other berries not listed
 - Class 6: 🏆 Champion Berries
 - Class 7: 🏆 Reserve Champion Berries
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division E: Grapes (3 bunches)

- Class 1: Brianna
- Class 2: Concord
- Class 3: Frontenac Blanc
- Class 4: Frontenac Gris
- Class 5: LaCrescent
- Class 6: Louise Swenson
- Class 7: Marchal Foch
- Class 8: Marquette
- Class 9: St. Pepin

- Class 10: Worden
 - Class 11: Any other not listed
 - Class 12: 🏆 Champion Grapes
 - Class 13: 🏆 Reserve Champion Grapes
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division F: Nuts (8 specimens)

- Class 1: Butternuts
 - Class 2: Walnuts
 - Class 3: Any other edible nut native to MN, not listed
 - Class 4: 🏆 Champion Nuts
 - Class 5: 🏆 Reserve Champion Nuts
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division G: Melons (1 specimen)

- Class 1: Cantaloupe/Muskmelon
 - Class 2: Watermelon
 - Class 3: Any other not listed above
 - Class 4: 🏆 Champion Melon
 - Class 5: 🏆 Reserve Champion Melon
- 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00