

VEGETABLES, FRUITS & NUTS - Section E

VEGETABLE RULES

- a) All entries will be judged as they are brought in. After judging, vegetables will become the property of 4-H.
- b) Entries must be correctly labeled with correct common name and variety name (i.e., snap beans, Blue Lake). Entries without variety name will be lowered one award.
- c) All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor. Exhibitors will be expected to have knowledge of variety characteristics, growing methods, and market quality of entry.
- d) **A maximum of 20 entries may be entered in class #1 VEGETABLES. Each entry must be of a distinctly different variety type.**
- e) Please consult the following 4-H resources for exhibiting vegetables: Selecting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit, Harvesting Your 4-H Garden and Vegetable Fare.
- f) Entries with more than one specimen will be judged on the group basis and classified in the following four (4) groups:

Excellent – clean; only vary minor defects in general appearance; best market size and quality; true to varietal characteristics. For exhibits with more than one specimen not more than 10% variation in sizes for fruits and vegetables only slightly detectable variation, uniform in shape, color and degree of maturity.

Good – clean; slight defects in general appearance; defective and unusable parts should not exceed 5 percent; good market size and quality. Exhibits with more than one specimen: not more than 25 percent variation in sizes for fruits and vegetables, and cut flowers; only slightly detectable variation in shape, color and degree of maturity.

Worthy – fairly clean, some defects in general appearance; defective and unusable parts should not exceed 10 percent; fair market size and quality. Exhibits with more than one specimen – not more than 100 percent variation in sizes for fruits and vegetables and cut flowers; noticeable variation in shape, color or degree of maturity.

No Award – dirty, serious damage apparent; defective and unusable parts exceed 10 percent; unsatisfactory market size or quality. Exhibits with more than one specimen – more than 100 percent variation in sizes for fruits and vegetables; extreme differences in shape, color or degree of maturity.

AWARDS

Blue \$2.00 Red \$1.50 White \$1.00

Class # 1

- Beans, lima, 6 green pods containing edible beans
- Beans, snap, green, 10 pods
- Beans, snap, yellow, 10 pods
- Beans, snap, pole or vining type, 10 pods
- Beans, green shell, 10 pods, any variety including edible soy, Horticultural, Kentucky Wonder
- Beans, dry shelled, ½ cup in container, dry field bean, bean variety including Mung, Adzuki, Fava
- Beets, 3, tops trimmed to 1 inch, no green shoulders
- Broccoli, 1 head or bunch of small heads, 5 inches or more in diameter
- Brussels Sprouts, 1 pint basket
- Cabbage, 1 head, 2 to 4 pounds, with 3 to 4 wrapper leaves, any fresh market variety
- Carrots, 3, tops trimmed to 1 inch, no green shoulders
- Cauliflower, 1 head, leaves cut just above head
- Celery, 1 plant, market quality, roots off
- Chard, 1 plant, roots and damaged leaves off
- Chinese Cabbage, 1 head
- Chinese Cabbage, loose leaf, roots off, 1 plant
- Corn, Sweet, 3 ears, husks removed completely, shank trimmed to ½ inch, display in transparent bag
- Cucumbers, 2 slicing types, 5 inches or longer, 2 inches or less in diameter
- Cucumbers, 5 pickling type, 3 to 5 inches long
- Cucumbers, 10 pickling type, less than 3 inches long
- Dill, bunch of 6 seed heads, tied, less than 3 inches
- Eggplant, 1 large oval and oblong types such as Black Beauty, Black Magic, Black Enorma, Dusky
- Eggplant, 2 small, slender and round types such as Easter Egg, Ichiban, Long Tom, White Beauty
- Endive, 1 plant, roots off, good market size
- Garlic, 3 bulbs, dried, braided together or tops trimmed to 1", cleaned, not peeled
- Herbs, any kind, plant in pot or tied bunch
- Kale, 1 plant, roots off
- Kohlrabi, 2, tops and tap root trimmed to 2 inches
- Leek, 3 large, trimmed
- Lettuce, leaf, 1 plant, roots off, good market size
- Lettuce, head, 1 plant, roots off, good market size
- Muskmelon and honey dew melon, 1, good market quality
- Mustard, 1 plant, roots off
- Okra, 6, 1 ½ to 3" long
- Onions, bulbs, 3 tops trimmed to ½ inch, well cured and dried, not peeled
- Onions, 6, green bunching type, tops on but trimmed evenly
- Parsley, 1 plant, roots off, good market size and quality
- Parsnips, 3 tops trimmed to 1"

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- Peas, 10 pods
- Peppers, 2, large types such as Bell, Cubanelle, Italian Sweet
- Peppers, 3, small types such as Banana, Hungarian Wax, Cherry, Jalapeno
- Potatoes, 3 tubers, 5 to 10 ounces
- Potatoes, 1 pint basket, salt potato types, ¾ inch to 1 ¼ inch diameter
- Pumpkin, 1, ripe, any variety
- Radish, 1 pint basket, tops trimmed to ½ inch
- Rhubarb, 6 stalks, tops trimmed
- Rutabaga, 1, tops trimmed off
- Shallot, 3, tops trimmed to ¼ inch, dried, not peeled
- Spinach, common, ½ pound in transparent bag
- Spinach, New Zealand, ½ pound, bunch or tender tips 3 to 6 inches long, ties or in clear bag
- Squash, summer, 2, young, skin tender, such as zucchini, yellow, scallop
- Squash, winter, 1, any large types such as Hubbard, Delicious, Banana
- Squash, winter, 2, any small types such as Buttercup, Butternut, Spaghetti, Table Queen, Golden Nugget
- Squash, 1, soft and round stem, such as Big Max, Big Moon, Mammoth
- Sweet Potatoes, 3 roots, any variety
- Tomatoes, 3, ripe, stems off, medium and large fruited varieties including Roma types
- Tomatoes, cherry ripe, 1 pint basket, stems off, also Presto and small fruited types
- Turnips, 3, tops trimmed to 1 inch
- Watermelon, 1 mature, market size
- A collection of 3 related types, such as 3 varieties of pepper, or 3 vegetables that appear in an ethnic cuisine
- Miniature vegetables, 6 of one type, harvested at small or baby stage
- Ornamental Vegetables, 3, such as miniature pumpkins, gourds, decorative corn; ornamental kale (1 specimen)
- Heirloom Vegetables, any variety from the Heirloom Garden bulletin, exhibited in same manner as other vegetable classes
- Miscellaneous, any other vegetable not listed, display same number of specimens as similar crop listed.

FRUIT & NUTS RULES

- a) All fruits and nuts must be cared for by exhibitor.
- b) Nuts grown in the previous year may be entered.
- c) For more information on culture, consult: “Strawberry Yields Forever” – a day neutral strawberry 4-H project, available through the Department of Fruit and Vegetable Science, “The Home Fruit Planting” – IB156

Class #2 Fruits & Nuts

- Apples, 3, ripe, any variety
- Apricots, 5, ripe
- Blueberries, 1 pint
- Cherries, 1-pint basket, with stems, any single variety
- Elderberries, attached to cluster, 1 quart
- Grapes, 1 bunch
- Nectarines, 4, ripe
- Peaches, 4, ripe
- Pears, 3, ripe, with stems, any single variety
- Raspberries, 1 pint, any single variety
- Strawberries, 1 pint, caps on
- Other: minor fruit not listed such as quince or persimmon, 4, ripe
- Miscellaneous – any fruit not listed, display same number of specimens as similar crop listed
- Nuts, all-ripe, dry, unshelled, 1 pint, any single variety
- A collection of 3 types, such as 3 different varieties of apples

AWARDS for class # 3

Blue \$2.50 Red \$2.00 White \$1.00

CLASS #3 Vegetable Art vegetable character, sculpture, or geometric design. Exhibit is evaluated on neatness of assembly, number of horticulture products used, imaginative use of plants and plant materials, and overall appearance.