

Douglas County Fair

Where Urban and Rural Meet



Open Class General Rules & Regulations

1. **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The following general rules and regulations apply to the Open Class Departments. Additional rules specific to the individual departments are found in the respective entry sections. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to be familiar with these rules and regulations.

2. **INTERPRETATION OF RULES:**

The Douglas County Fair reserves the right to interpret and amend all **Rules & Regulations** and resolve differences relating to them as necessary.

3. **COMPLIANCE:**

The exhibitor agrees to comply with all rules regulations and schedules governing the Douglas County Fair upon entering exhibits in the Fair.

This includes the compliance with the current **Open Class General Rules & Regulations**, and additional rules specific to the individual Open Class Departments. Exhibitors must also agree to cooperate with all Douglas County Fair officials and personnel in all matters of policy.

Exhibitors serve as an important part of the Fair in celebrating and showcasing Douglas County's excellence. Our primary audience consists of family and youth. The Douglas County Fair reserves the right and has the sole discretion to reject any exhibit that contains graphic or obscene material or is otherwise objectionable to the Fair's family-oriented target audience. In such cases the exhibit will be disqualified and removed. Failure to comply with removal will subject exhibitor to penalties as Douglas County Fair may order and/or prescribed by law.

4. **LIABILITY:**

Management Liability: The Douglas County Fair management is not responsible for personal injury and assumes no liability for loss or damage by theft or disasters (human or natural) to any property of the exhibitor while on the fair grounds.

Exhibitor Liability: The exhibitor is solely responsible for any consequential injury or loss resulting from an article exhibited by the exhibitor and must assume responsibility relating to all legal or other proceedings regarding the exhibit or any damage or injury to any other person or property caused by the exhibitor or exhibits at the Fair.

5. **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

All entries must be made either by the online website or using an official Douglas County Fair Entry Form. Entry forms may be obtained from the County Fair website, www.douglascountyfair.org, or the County Fair office. Any fee or money due must accompany the submission. No item can be entered unless there is a suitable class in the appropriate department entry book.

Should an entry be made in a name other than that of a bona fide owner or using erroneous information regarding the item, the entry will be disqualified from competition and the exhibitor barred from participation until reinstated.

The opportunity to exhibit at the Douglas County Fair is open to all persons without regard to race, creed, color, sex, age or other non-merit factors. Discrimination is prohibited.

6. **ENTRY DEADLINE:**

All Open Class livestock entries are due to the Douglas County Fair office or post marked on July 2nd. All other Open Class entries will be accepted until 7:00 PM on Tuesday, July 10, 2018.

7. **RECEIVING OF EXHIBITS:**

All static Open Class exhibits must be dropped off at Village Pointe in the Exhibit Hall by Carter's on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, between the 1:00 pm to 7:00 PM. All Open Class livestock entries must arrive at the date and time designated in the additional rules specific to individual Departments.

8. **JUDGES/JUDGING:**

A judge is not permitted to be an exhibitor in a class they are judging.

Any person who interferes with the judging process will be asked to leave the judging area. Further action will be at the discretion of the Superintendent and Fair Management.

An exhibit entered in the incorrect class may be transferred to the appropriate class at the discretion of the Department Superintendent and Fair Management prior to the start of judging. However, if the correct class for the entry has already been judged the class will not be reopened and the exhibit will not be judged.

9. **AWARDS:**

The judge may, but is not required to, award all the ribbons offered in a class. It is the intention of Fair Management that no premium or distinction of any kind be given to any exhibit deemed unworthy by the judge.

The Premium Schedule is as follows:

- Best of Show** – Purple Rosette - \$10 Premium
- Best of Douglas County** – Purple Rosette - \$10 Premium
- Best of Division** – Lavender Rosette - \$8 Premium
- 1st place** – Blue Ribbon - \$5 Premium
- 2nd Place** – Red Ribbon - \$4 Premium
- 3rd Place** – White Ribbon - \$3 Premium
- 4th Place** – Yellow Ribbon - \$2 Premium
- 5th Place** – Green Ribbon - \$1 Premium
- Participation** – Orange Ribbon

Payment of Douglas County Fair premiums will be mailed to exhibitors after July 20, 2018. The Douglas County Fair will not be held liable for any award or premium offered by a private or business donor separate from the Douglas County Fair should that donor fail to provide the offered award or premium.

10. DISPUTES AND PROTESTS:

The Douglas County Fair Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these Rules & Regulations and to arbitrarily settle disputes and questions of differences. Any protest based on the statement that the judge(s) was incompetent will not be considered. If a protest on any other grounds is not resolved with the Department Superintendent, the Exhibitor may present a protest in written form to the Fair Management, within 24 hours of ribbons being displayed

11. RELEASE TIME:

Removal of entries by the exhibitor prior to release time set by the Douglas County Fair is prohibited. Premiums will be forfeited. All Open Class exhibits except livestock will be released from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM on Sunday, July 15, 2018 ONLY.

12. RETURNED CHECKS:

There will be a \$40 service charge for any non-sufficient fund check. If the exhibitor does not make payment of the check and service charge within five (5) days, the exhibitor will not receive any premium for entries.

13. SOLICITATION:

Exhibitors in the Open Class Departments are not allowed to solicit Fair Guests.

14. LOTTERIES:

No lottery or raffle shall be conducted at the Douglas County Fair without the written authority of Douglas County Fair Management.

15. SMOKING:

Smoking is prohibited in all buildings.

16. ALCOHOL ABUSE:

The State of Nebraska Rules of Alcohol Use and Abuse are enforced on any property where the Douglas County Fair has a presence.

17. FIRE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

By order of the State Fire Marshal, the use of flammable and combustible materials inside any buildings is strictly prohibited.

18. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

The Douglas County Fair reserves the right to cancel events or change scheduling if deemed necessary.



Open Class Food Department #2

Registration	7:00 PM on July 10, 2018
Deadline:	
Entry Delivery:	July 10, 2018 1 PM – 7:00 PM
Entry Release:	July 15, 2018 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM – NO EARLY RELEASE
Show Times Open to Public:	Friday, July 13 12:00 PM- 8:00 PM Saturday, July 14 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM Sunday, July 15 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Entry Fees:	Youth (18 & Under) – \$ 3.00 per Entry College Student (Must bring a college ID or will you will have to check in as an adult) - \$3.00 per Entry Adult (19 & over) - \$5.00 per entry
Premiums:	PREMIUM PAYOUTS will be mailed to the exhibitors. Check will be mailed out after July 20th, 2018.

Department Specific Rules:

BREAD

Bread must be one loaf, baked in a single bread pan, size 4"x8" or larger for white and whole wheat. Quick Bread sizes should be 3"x7" or larger. Pan or loaf size is optional for other kinds of bread. Rolls must be shown in groups of four attached, made in an 8x8 or 9x9 inch pan. All bread should be shown on a white paper plate or piece of cardboard that had been covered with white paper. Bread products must be secured in a plastic bag. Muffins, kolaches, etc. 4 on a plate in a plastic bag.

CAKES

May be exhibited on white paper plates, or cardboard covered with white paper. Must be frosted, unless otherwise specified. One slice of the cake from those placing will be used for display purposes. No cake mixes are allowed in any category except for Create-A-Cake and Decorated Cake.

CANNED FRUITS & VEGETABLES

All products entered in this class shall be canned from August, 2017 through July, 2018. The entry must be in quart or pint jars used for canning. PLEASE LEAVE JAR RINGS ON ALL JARS. All canned goods must remain in good condition during fair. Any article receiving a premium that does not comply with the above, loses the right to such premium. We require all classes be processed according to USDA guidelines. Jars must be labeled with (1) method of preservation, (2) altitude, (3) processing time, and (4) number of pressure if pressure canner used.

COOKIES

Four cookies on a white paper plate, secured in a plastic bag.

DRIED/DEHYDRATED

This exhibit involves drying out the natural moisture present in all fruit, vegetables, etc. so that the enzymes which cause decay are inhibited. Exhibit in an unsealed pint or half-pint jar ONLY. Jar must be full. Please include lid and ring.

HOMEMADE CANDY

Six pieces of candy on a small white paper plate secured with a plastic bag.

JAMS, JELLIES, & BUTTER

All products entered in these divisions shall be canned from August 2017 through July 2018. Must be in jelly or half pint jars used for canning. PLEASE LEAVE JAR RINGS ON ALL JARS. Entries will be opened and judged on appearance, flavor and texture. WE REQUIRE ALL CLASSES BE PROCESSED ACCORDING TO USDA GUIDELINES.

Jams - Jams are crushed pieces of fruit suspended in its own jelly. All products entered in this class shall be canned from August, 2017 through July, 2018.

Jellies - Jellies are beautiful in color, translucent, tender enough to cut easily with a spoon, yet firm enough to hold its shape when turned from the glass. All products entered in this class shall be canned from August, 2017 through July, 2018.

JUICES

All products entered in this class shall be canned from August, 2017 through July, 2018. Must be in quart jars used for canning. PLEASE LEAVE JAR RINGS ON ALL JARS. We require all classes be processed according to USDA guidelines.

PICKLES, RELISHES & SALSA

All products entered in this class shall be canned from August, 2017 through July, 2018. Quarts and pints may be used. Jars must be canning jars. PLEASE LEAVE JAR RINGS ON ALL JARS. Entries will be opened and judged on appearance, flavor and texture. We require all classes be processed according to USDA guidelines. Attach a label with processing method and time.

PIES

Use your own pie plates. All pies must be in 8" or 9" plates. Must be two crusts, unless otherwise noted. One slice of pie from those placing will be used for display purposes. Please wrap or cover your pies.

Division and Class List:

Division 201 – Canned Fruits & Vegetables

Class #

- 01 Apples - Sliced, Halved, Quartered
- 02 Apple Sauce
- 03 Apricots
- 04 Cherries - Bing
- 05 Cherries (Whole Pitted or Unpitted)
- 06 Grapes - Seedless, Red or White
- 07 Mixed Fruit (At least 3 kinds)
- 08 Peaches - Halves/Sliced
- 09 Pears - Halves/Sliced
- 10 Pineapple - Grated/Sliced
- 11 Plums - Blue or Red
- 12 Rhubarb
- 13 Any Fruit Not Named (Identify Kind)
- 14 Beans - Green/Snap/Wax
- 15 Beets - Whole or Sliced
- 16 Carrots - Whole or Sliced
- 17 Mixed Vegetables
- 18 Peppers - Green or Red
- 19 Peppers - Hot
- 20 Potatoes - Small Whole or Cubed
- 21 Pumpkin
- 22 Sauerkraut

- 23 Sweet Corn
- 24 Tomatoes - Whole (Not Cherry)
- 25 Tomatoes - Halved/Quartered
- 26 Vegetable Soup
- 27 Any Vegetable Not Named (Identify Kind)

Division 202 – Preserves, Marmalades & Conserves

Class #

- 01 Apricot
- 02 Cherry
- 03 Peach
- 04 Pear
- 05 Pineapple
- 06 Plum
- 07 Raspberry - Black or Red
- 08 Strawberry
- 09 Tomato - Red or Yellow
- 10 Any Preserves Not Named (Identify Kind)
- 11 Any Conserve (Identify Kind)
- 12 Any Marmalade (Identify Kind)

Division 203 – Butters**Class #**

- 01 Apple
- 02 Apricot
- 03 Grape
- 04 Peach
- 05 Pear
- 06 Plum
- 07 Any Butter Not Named (Identify Kind)

Division 204 – Jams**Class #**

- 01 Apricot
- 02 Cherry
- 03 Grape
- 04 Peach
- 05 Pear
- 06 Black Raspberry
- 07 Red Raspberry
- 08 Rhubarb
- 09 Rhubarb-Strawberry
- 10 Strawberry
- 11 Lower Sugar Recipes - Any Fruit (Identify Kind)
- 12 Any Fruit Dietetic Jam - No Sugar (Identify Kind)
- 13 Any Jam Not Named (Identify Kind)

Division 205 – Jellies**Class #**

- 01 Apple
- 02 Boysenberry
- 03 Cherry
- 04 Choke Cherry
- 05 Crabapple
- 06 Currant
- 07 Elderberry
- 08 Grape - Tame or Wild
- 09 Mint

- 10 Pepper
- 11 Plum - Tame or Wild
- 12 Black Raspberry
- 13 Red Raspberry
- 14 Rhubarb
- 15 Strawberry
- 16 Lower Sugar Recipes - Any Fruit (Identify Kind)
- 17 Any Jelly Not Named (Identify Kind)

Division 206 – Juices & Syrups**Class #**

- 01 Apple Juice
- 02 Berry Juice (Specify Kind)
- 03 Cherry Juice
- 04 Grape Juice
- 05 Tomato Juice
- 06 Any Juice Not Named (Identify Kind)
- 07 Any Fruit Syrup (Identify Kind)

Division 207 – Pickles**Class #**

- 01 Apple Rings
- 02 Bean - Spring or Wax
- 03 Beets - Whole or Sliced
- 04 Bread & Butter
- 05 Carrot - Sweet
- 06 Cinnamon Cucumber Rings
- 07 Crabapple
- 08 Dill Cucumber (Sliced)
- 09 Dill Cucumber (Whole)
- 10 Okra Pickle
- 11 Mixed Pickles - Sweet
- 12 Mustard Pickles
- 13 Onion Pickles
- 14 Peppers - Sweet or Hot
- 15 Tomato - Green Sliced or Whole

- 16 Watermelon
- 17 Any Pickled Fruit Not Named
(Identify Kind)
- 18 Any Pickled Vegetable Not Named
(Identify Kind)

Division 208 – Relishes

Class #

- 01 Beet
- 02 Barbeque Sauce
- 03 Chili-Sauce
- 04 Corn
- 05 Mustard
- 06 Pepper - Red or Green, Hot or Sweet
- 07 Tomato Catsup
- 08 Cucumber - Sweet
- 09 Salsa - Red
- 10 Salsa - Green
- 11 Spaghetti Sauce - No Meat
- 12 Any Relish Not Named (Identify Kind)

Division 209 – Bread and Rolls

Class #

- 01 Buns (Ex. Hamburger Buns)
- 02 Dinner Rolls (Ex. Cloverleaf, Parker house, etc.)
- 03 French
- 04 White Bread 05 Raisin Bread
- 06 Sourdough Bread
- 07 Rye Bread
- 08 Whole Grain (Oatmeal, Granola, etc.)
- 09 Whole Wheat/Graham Bread
- 10 Specialty Bread (Dilly, Onion, Pumpernickel)
- 11 Any Yeast Bread Not Named (Identify Kind)
- 12 Cinnamon Rolls - With or Without Frosting

- 13 Yeast Coffee Cake or Tea Ring
- 14 Kolaches
- 15 Any Sweet Roll Not Named (Identify Kind)
- 16 Fruit Bread (Banana, cranberry, etc.)
- 17 Gingerbread
- 18 Vegetable Bread (Carrot, Zucchini, etc.)
- 19 Coffee Cake (No Yeast)
- 20 Corn Bread
- 21 Baking Powder Biscuits
- 22 Muffins - Any Kind (Identify Kind)
- 23 Any Quick Bread Not Named (Identify Kind)
- 24 Donuts
- 25 Krumkake
- 26 Stollen
- 27 Lefse
- 28 Baklava
- 29 Rosettes
- 30 Swedish Tea Ring
- 31 Pizelles
- 32 Any Heritage Baking Not Named (Identify Kind)

Division 210 – Cakes

Class #

- 01 Burnt Sugar Cake
- 02 Bundt Pan Shape - Light or Dark
- 03 Carrot Cake
- 04 Coconut Cake
- 05 Devil's Food Cake
- 06 German Chocolate Cake
- 07 Spice Cake
- 08 White Cake
- 09 Yellow Cake

- 10 Any Layer Cake Not Named
(Identify Kind)
- 11 Pound Cake - Not Layered
- 12 Angel Food - Chocolate
- 13 Angel Food - White
- 14 Chiffon
- 15 Jelly Roll (Jelly Filling Only)
- 16 Sponge
- 17 Any Egg Cake Not Named (Identify
Kind)

Division 211 – Cookies

Class #

- 01 Chocolate Chip
- 02 Chocolate Drop
- 03 Fruit Drop (Dried Fruit)
- 04 Macaroon
- 05 Oatmeal (With or Without Raisin)
- 06 Any Drop Cookie Not Listed
(Identify Kind)
- 07 Butterscotch
- 08 Brownies
- 09 Layered Bar Cookies with Nuts,
Fruits and/or Chips
- 10 Lemon
- 11 Pumpkin or Zucchini (Identify
Kind)
- 12 Any Bar Cookies Not Listed
(Identify Kind)
- 13 Gingerbread Boys & Girls -
Decorated
- 14 Pinwheel - Rolled
- 15 Refrigerator - Sliced
- 16 Sugar - Rolled
- 17 Refrigerator or Rolled Cookies Not
Listed (Identify Kind)
- 18 Coconut
- 19 Filled Cookies
- 20 Gingersnap
- 21 Peanut Butter
- 22 Spritz

- 23 Snickerdoodle
- 24 Sugar - Not Rolled
- 25 Thumbprint - Filled with
Jelly or Frosted
- 26 Molded or Pressed Cookies
Not Listed
(Identify Kind)

Division 212 – Candy

Class #

- 01 Caramel
- 02 Candy Made with Almond
Bark
- 03 Chocolate Fudge
- 04 Covered Candies (Cream
Centers, Cherries, etc.)
- 05 Divinity - Any Flavoring
- 06 Sugar-Free Candy
- 07 Mints - Creamed Cheese or
Chocolate
- 08 Peanut Brittle
- 09 Peanut Butter Fudge
- 10 Penuche
- 11 Toffee
- 12 Any Candy Not Listed
(identify Kind)
- 13 Penuche

Division 213 – Pies

Class #

- 01 Apple
- 02 Apricot
- 03 Cherry
- 04 Custard ONLY (No
Additions)
- 05 Lemon
- 06 Peach
- 07 Pecan
- 08 Pumpkin
- 09 Raisin
- 10 Rhubarb

- 11 Coconut Cream
- 12 Any Other Cream Pie (Identify Kind)
- 13 Any Other Fruit Pie (Identify Kind)
- 14 Two or More Fruit Pies (Ex. Strawberry Rhubarb)
- 15 Sugar Free Pie (Identify Kind)



2018

Static Entry Form

Exhibitor Information			
NAME:			
AGE as of JANUARY 1, 2018 (ONLY IF UNDER 21):			
PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME (ONLY IF UNDER 21):			
PHONE:			
ADDRESS:			
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	COUNTY:
EMAIL:			

Entry Registration

Division Name	Dept. #	Division #	Class #	No. of Entries	\$ per Entry	Total \$ Due
EXAMPLE: Six Easy Bites	2	401	901	2	\$ 5	\$ 10
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					\$	\$
Total					\$	\$

Check or Debit/Credit Card Accepted for Entry Fee Payment

All Exhibitor Information must be completed in order to receive Premiums.

By Signing Below, I shall fully agree to follow all Rules, Regulations and Schedules of the Douglas County Fair.

Signature

Date