



# Open Crops & Vegetables

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## 2018 Schedule

<b>Deadline for Entries.....</b>	Friday, Sept. 7, 2018
<b>Deliver Crops and Vegetables.....</b>	Wednesday, Sept. 26 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. ** Thursday, Sept. 27, 8 a.m. – Noon
<b>Judging.....</b>	Thursday, Sept. 27, 1:30 p.m.
<b>Pick up.....</b>	Monday, Oct. 8, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, Noon – 6 p.m.

### **\*NO Sunday pick-up\***

\*\*Please note that we are not responsible for crops & vegetables that are delivered on Wednesday and have deteriorated past their prime by judging time on Thursday. Judges will be instructed to rate entries based on their condition at the time of judging and will not be told which items were delivered Wednesday & which were delivered on Thursday.

Please review all information in the Competition Guide before entering items in the competition. **Delivery instructions and maps will be provided on line and by emails to those who share an email address.**

**Enter on-line at [www.statefairva.org](http://www.statefairva.org). Please note that all entries are charged \$1.00 per entry. Mail-in entries must be accompanied by a check made out to State Fair of Virginia. Faxed entries will not be accepted. Payment must be received when products are registered. Tags will be picked up at delivery of products.**

### **Guidelines:**

1. All State Fair General Rules and Crops and Vegetables Department Rules apply. By making an entry, you agree to read and abide by these rules.
2. An email will be sent to all exhibitors who provide an email address reminding them of instructions for delivery. Tags will be held until delivery of items.
3. Each entry shall be composed of specimens of only one variety or strain except where indicated. All vegetable and fruit specimens should be mature. All fruit and vegetables should be in their natural state. No waxing or altering the product in any way will be allowed. Do name the plant variety on the “description” part of the entry form.
4. All produce must be grown by an individual competitor (no groups or teams) during the current calendar year, unless otherwise specified.
5. A competitor shall be permitted to make only one entry in each class, but may enter in as many individual classes as desired.
6. The Fair assumes no responsibility in case of loss or damage to exhibits.
7. No crops may be removed until release time and must be checked out with Superintendent. Tag stubs (claim checks) must be presented before entries are released.
8. Prize-winning exhibits removed by the competitor prior to the official release time will forfeit monetary awards.

9. It is the competitor's responsibility to pick up or dispose of entries. After the last scheduled pick-up time, all remaining products will be considered abandoned and the Fair will in no way be responsible for them.
10. Perishable products may be removed from display by the Superintendent after judging if the product reaches a state of decomposition.
11. Subject to space limitations, only first, second or third place winners may be displayed.

*All entries are subject to spraying with fire retardant, as required by the Fire Marshall.*

<b><u>\$50 Sweepstakes Award for the Winner of the Most Blue Ribbons</u></b>					
<b>in the Open Crops &amp; Vegetables Competition!</b>					
<b>Awards</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>5th</b>
<b>Each Class</b>	<b>\$16</b>	<b>\$14</b>	<b>\$11</b>	<b>\$8</b>	<b>\$6</b>

**Division 1: Field Corn**

1001. Field corn, best ten ears (any variety)
1002. Field corn, shelled (any variety) one gallon.
1003. Silage corn, five stalks, tied below ears
1004. Field corn, tallest stalk of corn with ear

**Division 2: Cereals**

2001. Wheat, 1 gallon
2002. Oats, 1 gallon
2003. Barley, 1 gallon
2004. Rye, 1 gallon

**Division 3: Peanuts**

3001. Peanuts, six vines, Virginia Runner
3002. Peanuts, six vines, Bunch Peanuts

**Division 4: Mature Sheaf Grains**

4001. Oats in straw, sheaf to be 2' in diameter at centerband
4002. Barley in straw, sheaf to be 2' in diameter at centerband
4003. Rye in straw, sheaf to be 2' in diameter at centerband
4004. Wheat in straw, sheaf to be 2' in diameter at centerband

**Division 5: Hay**

5001. Hay, 100% Alfalfa, 12" sheaf from center
5002. Hay, 100% other Legume, 12' sheaf from center of bale
5003. Hay, cool season grass (fescue, orchard grass, Timothy, or mixed cool season, etc.) 12" sheaf from center of bale
5004. Hay, grass & legume 12" sheaf from center of bale
5005. Hay, small grain (oat, wheat, rye, Triticale or small grain mixed with grasses) 12" sheaf from center of bale
5006. Hay, warm season grass (Bermuda, sudex, millet, switch grass, tift or other) 12" sheaf from center of bale

Judging of hay is based on visual observation and overall appearance. No testing is conducted.

**Division 6: Soybeans**

6001. Soybeans, Utility and Certified, any oil variety, 1 gallon, 2013 seed may be shown, variety must be designated
6002. Soybeans on Stalk, any variety (3 stalks per entry)

### **Division 7: Tobacco**

- 7001. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Lemon Wrapper, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7002. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Orange Wrapper, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7003. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Lemon Cutters, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7004. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Orange Cutters, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7005. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Lemon Leaf, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7006. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Orange Leaf, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7007. Tobacco, Flue-cured, Best Lug, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7008. Tobacco, Dark-Fired, Best Wrapper, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7009. Tobacco, Dark-Fired, Best Leaf, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7010. Tobacco, Sun-Cured, Best Wrapper, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7011. Tobacco, Sun-Cured, Best Leaf, 4 bundles or hands, tied
- 7012. Tobacco, Burley, Best Leaf, 4 bundles or hands, tied

### **Division 8: Cotton, Sorghum and Other**

- 8001. Cotton, three stalks, open bolls with root structure
- 8002. Cotton, twenty-five locks of seed cotton
- 8003. Cotton, cotton, open bolls
- 8050. Sorghum, any variety, 5 stalks, tied
- 8051. Any field crop, not listed

### **Division 9: Vegetables & Fruits**

- 9001 Apples, red 6 specimens (unwaxed)
- 9002 Apples, yellow 6 specimens (unwaxed)
- 9003 Beets, (six), one inch stems
- 9004 Cabbage, 1 head
- 9005 Carrots, 6 roots, one inch tops
- 9006 Corn, Sweet, (unhusked and trimmed), 4 ears
- 9007 Cucumber, Slicing, 4 specimens
- 9008 Cucumber, Small pickling, 8 specimens
- 9009 Eggplants, 2 specimens
- 9010 Fruit, any not listed
- 9011 Fruit, mixed basket, at least 3 colors/types
- 9012 Garlic, 3 bulbs
- 9013 Giant vegetable, any variety
- 9014 Gourds, 6 inches or larger, 1 specimen
- 9015 Gourds, Basket arranged attractively, 5 different types
- 9016 Gourds, smaller than 6 inches, 3 specimens
- 9017 Grapes
- 9018 Heirloom vegetables, other than snap beans and tomatoes, 3 specimens
- 9019 Indian corn, display of 3 ears
- 9020 Kale, Curly, 1 plant
- 9021 Lima Beans, (large, fresh, unshelled) 6 pods, greater than 4 inches
- 9022 Lima Beans, (small, fresh, unshelled) 6 pods, less than 4 inches
- 9023 Melon, Cantaloupe, 1 specimen
- 9024 Melon, Citron 1 specimen
- 9025 Melon, Honey Dew, 1 specimen
- 9026 Mini-vegetables, display
- 9027 Okra, 6 pods
- 9028 Onion sets, 10 sets
- 9029 Onions, (mature), 3 bulbs
- 9030 Other vegetable not listed
- 9031 Parsnips, tops removed, 6 roots
- 9032 Pears, 6 specimens (non-waxed)

- 9033 Peppers, bell, colored 4 pods
- 9034 Peppers, bell, green, 4 pods
- 9035 Peppers, Hot Habanero, 6 specimens
- 9036 Peppers, Hot Jalapeno, 6 specimens
- 9037 Peppers, Hot Serrano, habanero, jalapeno 6 specimens
- 9038 Peppers, Hot, any other not listed above greater than 4 inches, 6 specimens
- 9039 Peppers, Hot, any other not listed above smaller than 4 inches, 6 specimens
- 9040 Peppers, Sweet, any other not listed above, 4 pods
- 9041 Pop Corn, six ears, husked
- 9042 Pumpkin, Basket of Peepers, arranged attractively, can be mixed varieties
- 9043 Pumpkin, large Jack-o-lantern 10 lbs or more, 5 sided stem, orange
- 9044 Pumpkin, Mammoth, greater than 30 lbs including "Pepo" and "Maxima"
- 9045 Pumpkin, Mini, less than 1 lb, 3 specimens, any color
- 9046 Pumpkin, Not White or Orange, any other
- 9047 Pumpkin, Pie, 1lb to less than 10 lbs., 5 sided stem, orange
- 9048 Pumpkin, White, 10 lbs or more
- 9049 Pumpkin, White, less than 10 lbs
- 9050 Radishes (six) one inch stems
- 9051 Salsify, bunched, tops removed, 6 roots
- 9052 Snap Beans (green), 10 pods
- 9053 Snap beans, Heirloom, 10 pods
- 9054 Southern Peas, (unshelled) 1 quart
- 9055 Spinach, 6 plants (cut at crown)
- 9056 Squash, Cushaw type
- 9057 Squash, Spaghetti, 2 specimens
- 9058 Squash, Summer, 3 specimens
- 9059 Squash, Summer, yellow, 3 specimens
- 9060 Squash, Summer, Zucchini, 3 specimens
- 9061 Squash, Winter, Acorns, 2 specimens
- 9062 Squash, Winter, Butternut, 2 specimens
- 9063 Squash, Winter, other not listed, 1 specimen
- 9064 Sunflower, largest head (dried or green)
- 9065 Sunflower, one head, best quality (dried or green)
- 9066 Tomatoes, cherry-type, 5 specimens
- 9067 Tomatoes, grape, 5 specimens
- 9068 Tomatoes, heirloom, 5 specimens
- 9069 Tomatoes, red ripe, 5 specimens
- 9070 Tomatoes, Roma, preserving type (small), 5 specimens
- 9071 Tomatoes, yellow ripe, 5 specimens
- 9072 Turnip salad, 6 plants with roots
- 9073 Turnip, 3 plants with roots
- 9074 Turnips, tops removed, 6 roots
- 9075 Vegetable, Alternative or "Trendy", not listed
- 9076 Vegetable, any other not listed
- 9077 Vegetable, mixed basket, at least 5 different species of vegetables
- 9078 Watermelon, 10 lbs or greater, 1 specimen
- 9079 Watermelon, less than 10 lbs, 1 specimen

**Division 11: Potatoes**

- 1101. Potatoes, Irish, Red, 5 specimens
- 1102. Potatoes, Irish, Kenebec, 5 specimens
- 1103. Potatoes, Irish, any other white skin, 5 specimens
- 1104. Potatoes, Irish, any other color than red or white, 5 specimens
- 1105. Sweet Potatoes, any variety, 5 specimens

## **Division 12: Herbs**

- 1201. Rosemary - Container Grown
- 1202. Thyme - Container Grown
- 1203. Basil - Container Grown
- 1204. Chives - Container Grown
- 1205. Oregano - Container Grown
- 1206. Parsley - Container Grown
- 1207. Herb, display of dried
- 1208. Herb, display of fresh cut (in water)
- 1209. Herb, display of potted, 3 or more kinds
- 1210. Herb, any other not listed – Container Grown

### **Judging Criteria**

- 1. Quality**
  - a. **Color—deep, clear, intense**
  - b. **Marketable size—size most consumers want at the supermarket or average size**
  - c. **Trueness to type or shape—as true as possible to the type or shape of the variety**
  - d. **Maturity or stage development—in prime condition for eating**
- 2. Condition**
  - a. **Freshness—shows no signs of shriveling or decline**
  - b. **Cleanliness—clean and bright in appearance**
  - c. **Trimming—neatly and properly trimmed, much like market produce**
- 3. Freedom from injury**
  - a. **Insects, diseases—no damage shown from either**
  - b. **Mechanical injuries—caused by weather or rough treatment during harvest**
  - c. **Transportation—pack carefully to transport to the fair.**
- 4. Uniformity**
  - a. **Size—the size of all specimens should be similar**
  - b. **Shape—shape most typical of that vegetable variety**
  - c. **Color—uniform for all vegetables in grouping**
  - d. **Maturity—all specimens should be at the same level of maturity**
  - e. **Type—vegetables should all be of the same variety unless the class requires a mixed variety**