

FARM, FRUIT & APIARY

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Dates & Times:

Date	Time	Description	Location
Thursday, July 17	9:00 AM - NOON	Entry Drop Off	Dover Building
Wednesday, July 23	9:00 AM - NOON	Entry Drop Off (Classes 23-26, & 28 ONLY)	Dover Building
Sunday, July 27	8:00 AM - NOON	Entries must be removed from the grounds	Dover Building

Arrival & Departure:

1. Exhibits will be accepted from 9:00 AM until 12:00 Noon Thursday, July 17.
2. Classes with a double showing must also be in by 12:00 Noon on Thursday, July 17 (1st Showing) or by 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, July 23 (2nd Showing).
3. Judging will begin in the department at 1:00 PM both days.
4. All entries must be removed between 8:00 AM and 12:00 Noon on Sunday, July 27. Exhibits may not be removed before this time.

General Rules and Regulations:

1. Entries can only be made online via the [Delaware State Fair's website](#) beginning 9:00 AM April 1, 2025 thru 11:59 PM June 1, 2025.
2. Only one entry per exhibitor per class will be accepted. Late entries will not be accepted.
3. The Dover Building will open daily from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM (except when there is judging in the department). Exhibitors in this department are asked to read and observe the rules governing this department.
4. In order for the Delaware State Fair to better prepare for all exhibits, we ask that you only enter those classes which you will be able to complete and show at this year's fair.
5. Any and all premiums may be adjusted by The Delaware State Fair Board of Directors based on funding sources.

Department Rules & Regulations:

1. Care will be taken to protect the exhibits from injury, but the Delaware State Fair will not be responsible in any way for accidents, loss and damage by water, fire, theft, or otherwise, whatever may be the cause or extent of the damage or loss sustained. All exhibits are entered at the owner's risk.
2. Exhibitors must securely attach tags to their items with the assistance of Department Personnel. (Entries will not be accepted by department personnel until entry tags are securely affixed.)
3. On Thursday, July 17 or Wednesday, July 23, competitors who wish to deliver their entries to the Dover Building via car before 11:45am must do so by going to Exhibitor's Gate 2 (near the Quillen Arena) where they will be given a temporary permit that will allow them to drive to the Raughley Street

entrance of the Dover Building. Your vehicle **MUST BE REMOVED** from the grounds and moved into the regular parking lot prior to 12:00 NOON.

4. All bundles of grain should be tied in a neat bundle, 4 inches in diameter. Neatness of the exhibit will be a very important point in judging.
5. All farm products exhibited shall be grown by the exhibitor.
6. All exhibits of shelled grain will be shown **in gallon glass jars with white lids.**
7. Fruit will be judged on the basis of accepted commercial standards for each particular variety. Exhibitors should keep this point in mind in selecting and preparing exhibits.
8. Each plate of fruit exhibited will consist of exactly five (5) specimens, except those plates containing small fruits like crab apples, seckel pears, plums, etc., which must contain enough fruit to fill the plate in which they are displayed.
9. When there is no competition in a class, only second money will be awarded, except for exhibits which, in the opinion of the judges, are worthy of first prize.
10. All fruit entered for competition in any class must be mature and ready for market. Fruit that is picked too green will be scored down because of lack of proper color and quality. Bruises will be counted as serious defects.
11. All Bee Products entries must have been produced since the previous Delaware State Fair.
12. Identifying labels on the entries are forbidden on Bee Product entries.
13. Decorations are not allowed on any Bee Product entry.
14. All Bee Products entries must be the property of the exhibitor and must have been produced by the exhibitor. Please Note: A) Class 15, 1-lb. Block Pure Beeswax, must be produced from beeswax made only by the exhibitor's own honey bees. B) For Class 16, Pair of Poured Beeswax Candles, the exhibitor may supplement the beeswax made by the exhibitor's own honey bees with purchased beeswax. C) For Class 17, Pair of Wrapped Beeswax Candles, the exhibitor may use purchased natural color beeswax sheets.
15. Bee Product classes 6 to 10 require a new lid. Tamper-proof seals are not permitted.
16. Bee Product entries in Classes 13 & 14 must be displayed vertically in rigid bee-proof cases having the front and back sides made of transparent glass or plastic. Frames must be made of wood; plastic frames are not permitted. The bee-proof cases must be easy to open by the judge (not locked, not screwed shut, etc.).

APPLES

1st	2nd	3rd
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00

Class #	Class Description
1	Plate Ginger Gold
2	Plate Crab Apples
3	Plate any other named variety

1st	2nd	3rd
\$14.50	\$7.25	\$5.00

Class #	Class Description
4	Peck basket Ginger Gold
5	Peck basket, any other named variety

BEE PRODUCTS

Classes 6 to 10 require a new lid. Tamper-proof seals are not permitted.

All classes: See Rules Above

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
6	1-lb. Glass Queenline or Classic Jar Light, Extracted Honey
7	1-lb. Glass Queenline or Classic Jar Light Amber, Extracted Honey
8	1-lb. Glass Queenline or Classic Jar Amber, Extracted Honey
9	1-lb. Glass Queenline or Classic Jar Dark, Extracted Honey
10	Finely Granulated Honey presented in a 16 oz. Short Round Glass Jar or 1-lb. GCI Glass Jar. The Short Round Glass Jar (16 oz. size) is offered by Betterbee. The CGI Glass Jar (1-lb. size) is offered by Gamber and other suppliers
11	Display of Cut Comb Honey in a clear, cut comb box (no liner allowed)
12	Display of Comb Honey in Section, Ross Round® or Basswood only. Ross Round® section honey must have a clear cover on both the top and the bottom. Basswood section honey must be presented in a window carton.
13	Display of Frame of Honey for Extraction. The frame must be made of wood. Black plastic foundation is not permitted. Yellow or white plastic foundation and wired beeswax foundation are allowed. (See Rules above)
14	Display of Frame of Honey for Cut Comb. The frame must be made of wood. The comb can be foundationless or made with cut comb beeswax foundation. (See Rules above)
15	1-lb. Block Pure Beeswax
16	10" Pair of Poured Beeswax Candles, 1" maximum diameter
17	10" Pair of Wrapped Beeswax Candles, 1" maximum diameter

NUTS

All nuts will be exhibited on plates furnished by the Fair.
Nuts gathered from the woods cannot be entered into the Fair.

1st	2nd	3rd
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00

Class #	Class Description
18	Plate of Nuts

PEACHES, PEARS, PLUMS

1st	2nd	3rd
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00

Class #	Class Description
19	Plate White Lady
20	Plate Glow
21	Plate Red Haven
22	Plate any other variety of peaches

1st	2nd	3rd
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00

Classes 23 to 26, & 28 must be delivered Wednesday, July 23.

Class #	Class Description
23	Plate White Lady
24	Plate Glow
25	Plate Red Haven
26	Plate any other variety of peaches

1st	2nd	3rd
\$14.50	\$7.25	\$5.00

Class #	Class Description
27	Peck basket, any named variety peaches (must be delivered Thursday, July 17)
28	Peck basket, any named variety peaches (must be delivered Wednesday, July 23)

1st	2nd	3rd
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00

Class #	Class Description
29	Plate Seckel Pears
30	Plate, any other named variety pears
31	Plate Plums
32	Plate, any other fruit
33	Fruit Display in a Moveable Container

SEEDS, HAY, & STRAW

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$12.25	\$7.25	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
34	Most Varied Collection from one farm, not less than 6 varieties in pint containers (Classes 35-50)

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
35	Gallon jar Red Wheat
36	Gallon jar Rye
37	Gallon jar Oats
38	Gallon jar Barley
39	Gallon jar Sorghum
40	Quart Red Clover Seed
41	Quart Crimson Clover Seed
42	Quart Lespedeza Clover Seed
43	Quart of Timothy Seed
44	Single ear of Yellow Corn
45	8 ears of Old Fashion Indian Corn
46	8 ears of Miniature Indian Corn
47	Largest 8 ears of Corn, any variety
48	Gallon jar Yellow Corn, shelled
49	Dozen ears Old Pop Corn
50	Gallon jar Yellow Soybeans

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$12.25	\$7.25	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
51	2 stalks of Corn with ears (with roots in a 5-gallon bucket)

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
52	Largest Sunflower head, at least 8 inches

The following hay bundles are to be about 12" x 4" tied two ways with a string or a bale pad section. Legumes may be mixed with grasses.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
53	Bundle of Crimson Clover
54	Bundle of Alfalfa
55	Bundle of Lespedeza Clover
56	Bundle of Orchard Grass
57	Bundle of Mixed Hay
58	Bundle of Timothy
59	4-inch sheaf of Oats
60	4-inch sheaf of Winter Wheat
61	4-inch sheaf of Rye
62	4-inch sheaf of Barley

The following straw bundles are to be about 12" x 4" tied two ways with a string or a bale pad section.

Class #	Class Description
63	Bundle of straw

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$12.25	\$7.25	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
64	Growing Soybeans with roots in a 5-gallon bucket (12 stalks or more in water)

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$9.50	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$2.25

Class #	Class Description
65	Gallon jar of Silage, any kind

BEEKEEPERS MEMORIAL AWARD

Award Winner
\$10.00 & Certificate

Selected & provided by Elizabeth Olson

SUPERINTENDENT'S AWARD

Award Winner

\$20.00 & Rosette

Awarded to the exhibitor with the Best in Show based on the opinion of the judges

