

FORAGE AND GRAIN

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GENERAL RULES FOR FORAGE AND GRAIN DEPARTMENT

1. Entries in this department are open only to New York State exhibitors and products grown in New York.
2. Entry form and entry fee must be received by the Entry Department by August 9. However, exhibitors are allowed to add or delete classes until August 21. Entry form and fee must be mailed to NYS Fair, 581 State Fair Boulevard, Syracuse, NY 13209
3. Exhibitor's fee - \$6.00. This fee will provide two admission tickets good for two days.
4. Actual entries should be brought directly to the Forage & Grain Department in the Horticulture Building **between 11:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21**. Entries will not be accepted by mail or shipment
5. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, August 24.
6. Exhibitors may enter as many classes as they wish, but no exhibitor shall make more than *one entry in a class* in his own name, the name of a farm, or the name of some other person. Each specimen may be entered in one class only.
7. Entries must have been grown by the exhibitor and in the year specified. Alleged or suspected violation of this rule will be subject to investigation and at the discretion of the superintendent, may be disqualified.
8. All entries are under the control of and subject to the order of the Superintendent and may not be removed or withdrawn without his permission.
9. Every exhibitor must attach an entry tag to each exhibit giving name, address and information about the entry (**class, year grown and variety**). Unclassified exhibits will be disqualified. The name and address of the exhibitor will be concealed until the judging is completed. Additional entry tags can be obtained on request to: Entry Department, New York State Fair, 581 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209.
10. The department will be closed to the public at 10:00 p.m., Monday, September 2. **All exhibits must remain intact until that time.** Exhibits may be removed from the building Monday, September 2 between 9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
11. The Management assumes no responsibility in case of any loss or damage to stock or other exhibits from any cause; and upon this condition only are entries received.

PRIZE MONEY

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$14	\$10	\$8	\$6

If quality warrants; up to 2 first, 2 second, 2 third and 2 fourth places may be awarded.

Division A – HAY

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR HAY

1. The hay crop must have been planted prior to 2008.
2. An entry shall consist of one whole bale of hay tied. Hay will become property of the Fair and **will not** be returned at completion of the Fair.
3. A completed entry tag must accompany each entry.
4. If quality warrants, one hay entry from Division A may be judged as the “Champion Hay” entry for the show and a sum of \$20 awarded to the exhibitor of this entry, and one may be judged as the “Reserve Champion Hay” entry and a \$10 award.
5. Grass species should be limited to Timothy, Smooth Bromegrass and Orchardgrass for all classes.
6. Hay entries with a moisture content above 25% will be disqualified.
7. In judging the hay entries, a scorecard will be used to evaluate physical feature which include:
color
lack of mold/odor
freedom of foreign material
maturity
leaf retention
chemical features which will be determined by chemical analysis.

Class

1. Alfalfa – first cutting
alfalfa content greater than 75%
2. Alfalfa – first cutting
alfalfa content greater than 70% acid-treated
3. Alfalfa – later cutting
alfalfa content greater than 75%
4. Alfalfa – later cutting
alfalfa content greater than 70% acid treated
5. Alfalfa – Grass Mix – first cutting
alfalfa content between 25% and 75%
6. Alfalfa – Grass Mix – later cutting
alfalfa content between 25% and 75%
7. Grass - grass content greater than 75%
8. Mixed Hay - any mixture not classified in the previous classes

Division B – Silage

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR SILAGE

1. Entries should fill and be tightly packed into an airtight **3 to 4 gallon** plastic bag. At the exhibit site, the entries will be transferred to a uniform container.
2. A completed entry tag must accompany each entry.
3. Corn silage entries must have been grown by exhibitor in 2007.
4. Haylage and balage classes may have been grown in 2007 and 2008.
5. Balage exhibitors must bring a master forage probe core sample with their entry for forage analysis. (Contact Cooperative Extension staff for assistance in locating a probe.)

Class

9. Corn silage – whole plant ensiled (2007 crop)
10. Kernel processed corn silage (2007 crop)
11. High moisture corn grain – stored in silo (2007 crop)
12. High moisture ground ear corn – stored in silo (2007 crop)
13. High moisture ground corn grain – stored in silo (2007 crop)
14. Haylage – grass content less than 50% above 60% moisture.
15. Haylage – grass content more than 50%; above 60% moisture
16. Haylage – grass content less than 50%; below 60% moisture
17. Haylage – grass content more than 50%; below 60% moisture
18. Balage – grass content less than 50%
19. Balage – grass content more than 50%

Division C – GRAINS

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR GRAINS

1. Judging will be based on standards for grading. Certified and utility grains will be judged in the same class.
2. Any grains which have been treated with poisonous substances shall not be shown and if offered in competition will be removed.
3. All entries in this Division must have been grown, harvested, selected and prepared by the exhibitor during either the year exhibited or the preceding year, as specified by the class. Exhibits known to be older will be disqualified.

4. A completed entry tag must accompany each entry.
5. All entries must be limited to those varieties currently recommended for New York State and are listed in the 2007 or 2008 issue of "Cornell Recommends for Field Crops" or "Certified Seed Director" published by The NY Seed Improvement Cooperative.
6. Containers for displaying samples in this Division will be supplied by the Fair.
7. If quality warrants, one seed entry may be judged as "Champion Seed" for the show and a sum of \$20 awarded to the exhibitor, and one seed entry may be judged as "Reserve Champion Seed" and a sum of \$10 awarded.

EAR CORN

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR EAR CORN

1. Each entry must be named hybrid or variety in the following classes.
2. Entries in these classes will be judged on the basis of value as a commercial crop.

Class

20. Yellow dent 10-ear sample grown in 2007.
21. Yellow dent 10-ear sample grown in 2008.
22. Pop corn 10-ear sample (husk free) grown in 2007 or 2008.
23. Indian Decorative 10-ear sample grown in 2007 or 2008.
24. Strawberry Decorative 10-ear sample grown in 2007 or 2008.

SHELLED CORN

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR SHELLED CORN

1. In judging Class 25 the following will be considered:
 - Test weight
 - Broken corn and foreign material
 - Color
 - Soundness
 - Moisture content
2. Each entry of shelled corn must be a 4-quart sample of a named hybrid and be accompanied by one typical ear of the hybrid.
3. Entries in this class will be judged on the basis of value as a commercial crop.

Class

25. Yellow dent grown in 2007.
26. Pop corn grown in 2007 or 2008

SMALL GRAINS, OIL SEED & FIELD BEANS

SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR SMALL GRAINS, OIL SEED & FIELD BEANS

1. Each entry must be a 4-quart sample of a *named variety* in the following classes.
2. In judging classes 27 and 30 the following will be considered:
test weight
damage
foreign material
moisture content
3. In judging classes 28 and 29 the following will be considered:
test weight
dockage
color
soundness
4. In judging Class 31, the following will be considered:
test weight
splits
foreign material
dockage
color
damage

Class

27. White winter wheat harvested in 2008
28. Oats grown in 2008
29. Rye grown in 2008
30. Other recognized crop from small grain grown in 2008
31. Soybeans grown in 2007 or 2008
32. Other recognized oil seed variety commercially grown in New York State in 2007 and 2008.
33. Other recognized field bean varieties commercially grown in New York State in 2007 or 2008.

<p style="text-align: center;">Division D – SHEAVES Small Grain, Forage and Silage Crops</p>
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SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR SHEAVES

1. All materials exhibited in this Division must have been grown in 2008.
2. Exhibitors are responsible for correctly naming varieties and must list the variety on the entry tag.
3. **Sheaves must be tied tightly by two bands and unless otherwise specified, must measure at least 4 inches in diameter at the lowest band (classes 34 –38).** Sheaves of small grains will be judged for *showmanship and quality*.

4. **Six stalks of soybeans (with soil removed from roots) tied at base required for class 39.**
5. **Three sunflower heads with 18” of stalk tied together are required for class 40.**
6. **Three stalks of corn required for classes 41 and 42, roots wrapped in burlap or plastic bag to keep them moist.**
7. Forage and silage samples will be judged on the basis of their values as livestock feed.
8. Corn for silage will be judged on the apparent yield of digestible nutrients per unit of green material as well as on apparent total yield of dry matter per acre. Ears should be as well developed as could reasonably be expected at the time of year when shown.
9. A completed entry tag must accompany each entry.
10. If quality warrants, one sheaf entry will be designated as “Champion Sheaf” for the show and a sum of \$20 awarded to the exhibitor, and one sheaf entry may be designated as “Reserve Champion Sheaf” and a sum of \$10 awarded.

SMALL GRAIN & OIL SEED CROPS

Class

34. Wheat
35. Oats
36. Barley
37. Rye
38. Other recognized crop for small grain
39. Soybeans on stalk (6 stalks)
40. Sunflowers (3 heads, not plants)

FORAGE AND SILAGE CROPS

Class

41. Early silage corn varieties (3 stalks)
42. Late silage corn varieties (3 stalks)
43. Other recognized crop for silage and forage