

**DEPARTMENT 21  
COMMERCIAL FRUIT & VEGETABLE  
AND  
MAPLE & HONEY PRODUCTS**

This Department is provided to encourage proper promotion of New York State Farm Products  
and to stimulate consumption by consumers

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**GENERAL RULES**

1. Entry fee is \$6. All entry forms and fees must be received by 4:30 July 28, 2009
2. This fee will provide you two admission tickets to the 2008 New York State Fair
3. All entries must be grown in New York State
4. All entries must be placed in the designated area on the loading dock of the Horticulture Building no later than 10:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 26.
5. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27.
6. Winning entries will remain on display for the full fair or until they no longer retain a fresh appearance.
7. Exhibitors wishing entries returned by freight or wishing to claim the same at the end of the fair must notify the superintendent in writing no later than Friday, September 4.
8. Prizes will not be awarded to entries, which are unworthy. If there is but one exhibitor in any class, only one prize may be awarded – the first, or a lower prize, as the judges think deserved.
9. Each exhibitor will be allowed to make entries in as many Divisions as he wishes but will be limited to one entry in any one class. Specimens may be entered in one class only and for one prize only. All articles placed are under the control and subject to the order of the Superintendent and may not be removed or withdrawn without her permission.
10. All items entered must be plainly labeled, showing variety of item exhibited. Cards for this purpose will be furnished by the Management and can be had at time entry is made. After judging, entry tag may disclose name and address on the entries shown.
11. Where number of specimens or varieties is given, no more and no less should be entered. Exhibits of less than the number or quantity called for will be disqualified.
12. The Superintendent will stage all entries.

<b>DIVISION A COMMERCIAL VEGETABLE PRODUCTS</b>
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Entries in this Division are open only to growers who sell their product directly to the consumer through a farmers market or independent vegetable stand. The exhibitor must have grown entries. Alleged or suspected violation of this rule will be subject to investigation, and, if confirmed, the entries will be disqualified.

**JUDGING AND PREMIUMS**

1. Classes 1 through 30, inclusive, will be judged on the basis of the following score cards:

Freedom of injury, disease, insect, sunburn, etc.....	30%
Best market size and quality.....	25%
Trueness to variety type.....	15%
Uniformity of size, shape, color and maturity .....	15%
Attractiveness, cleanliness, color, etc.....	15%

<b>Class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
1. Beans (snap) (8 qt. basket min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
2. Beets (1/2 bushel, min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
3. Broccoli (1/2 bushel, min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
4. Cabbage (one crate min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
5. Carrots (1/2 bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
6. Cauliflower (one crate min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
7. Celery (18 count min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
8. Sweet corn (1/2 bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
9. Eggplant (one bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
10. Garlic (one braid-12" min.-16" max.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
11. Lettuce (one crate min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
12. Onions (25 or 50 lb. bag min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
13. Green table onions (1 bunch of 12 with tops)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
14. Peppers (1/2 bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
15. Hot peppers (1/2 bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
16. Radishes, white or red (2 doz. Bunches min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
17. Spinach (1/2 bushel)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
18. Squash, acorn (one bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
19. Squash, hubbard (one bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
20. Squash, any other variety not mentioned (one bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
21. Tomatoes (1/2 bushel min.)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
22. Tomatoes, cherry (six pint containers)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
23. Any other named vegetables, except potatoes, grown commercially in New York State and not covered by Class 14 through 30.	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10

#### **SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL POTATO CLASSES**

1. Each sample in Classes 31 through 33 shall consist of ½ bushel minimum pounds of tubers and the varieties in each class correctly labeled to rate a prize.
2. No person may enter more than two varieties in Classes 31 through 33.

3. Classes 31 through 33, inclusive, will be judged on the basis on the following score card:

Freedom from tuber defects (disease, insects or mechanical injury).....	30%
Quality and condition (smoothness, soundness and brightness of tuber, general appearance and flesh) .....	25%
Trueness of type (skin, color, eye characters, shape, other type characters) .....	15%
Size (5 to 10 ounces preferred).....	10%

<b>Class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
31. White Varieties Atlantic, Chippewa, Hudson, Katahdin, Kennebec, Monona, Sebago, Superior, Wauseon, etc.	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
32. Red Varieties (including those with red or pink skin or pinkeys) Pontiac, Chieftain, Norland, etc.	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
33. Russet Varieties Russet Burbank, Belchip, Belrus, Centennial, etc.	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10

**SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR LARGEST COMMERCIAL VEGETABLE**

1. The size of each specimen will be determined by measuring once around the specimen from the stem to the blossom and once around at right angles to this midway from the stem to blossom end. The sum total of inches of these two measurements will be considered the total score for each specimen.
2. In case of a tie, the heavier specimen will be awarded the prize

<b>Class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>
24. Largest pumpkin (five-angled stem with little or no expansion at fruit attachment and flattened at both ends.) Examples, Conn., Field, Big Tom, Spookie.	\$25	\$20	\$15
25. Largest squash (smoothly grooved stem, flared at fruit attachment, tapered to a curved neck at each end.) Examples: Atlantic, Big Max, Big Moon and Mammoth.	\$20	\$15	\$10
26. Largest head of cabbage	\$15	\$10	\$5
27. Largest potato	\$10	\$5	\$3
28. Largest tomato	\$5	\$3	\$1
29. Largest ear of corn by weight, grown in current year	\$3	\$2	\$1

<b>DIVISION B</b> <b>COMMERCIAL FRUIT PRODUCTS</b>
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**SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL FRUIT PRODUCTS**

1. All fruit exhibited in this Division must have been grown within New York State.
2. Any recognized variety is eligible.
3. Each entry shall show the name of variety written on the entry tag.
4. Quantities indicated for each class are minimums.
5. After judging, entry tags may disclose name and address on the exhibit shown.
6. After judging, the product will be arranged in such a way to make an appealing and effective display.
7. Classes 1 through 23, inclusive, will be judged on the basis of the following score cards:
 

Freedom of injury, disease, insect, sunburn, etc.....	30%
Best market size and quality.....	25%
Trueness to variety type.....	15%
Uniformity of size, shape, color and maturity .....	15%
Attractiveness, cleanliness, color, etc.....	15%

<b>Class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>PEACHES</b> (8 qt. basket minimum)				
1. Cling Stone Baby Gold	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
2. Free Stone Varieties (including Garnet Beauty & the Haven Series)	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
3. Any other variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>PLUMS</b> (1 qt. basket minimum)				
4. Italian Type	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
5. Japanese Type	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
6. Any other variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>PEARS</b> (8 qt. basket minimum)				
7. Bartlett	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
8. Any other variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>APPLES</b> (8 qt. basket minimum)				
9. Ginger Gold	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
10. Tyderman	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
11. Paula Red	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
12. Wealthy	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
13. Sansa	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
14. Jonamac	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10

15. Gala	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
16. Any other variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>RASPBERRIES</b> (1 qt. minimum)				
17. Heritage	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
18. Autumn Gold & other primocane bearing stock	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
19. Any other variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>TABLE GRAPES</b> (8 qt. basket minimum)				
20. Any variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>BLUEBERRIES</b> (1 pt. minimum)				
21. Any variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>MUSKMELONS</b> (1 crate minimum)				
22. Any variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
<b>WATERMELONS</b> (1 bushel minimum)				
23. Any variety	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10

**DIVISION A AND B ZONE AWARDS**

The State has been carefully zoned as to distance from the Fairgrounds at Syracuse and an award will be made to worthy entries in Division A from each zone as follows:

Zone 1 (may be limited to two exhibits).....	\$50
Zone 2 (may be limited to two exhibits).....	\$75
Zone 3 (may be limited to two exhibits).....	\$100

**Zone 1** includes the counties of Onondaga, Cayuga, Cortland, Chenango, Madison, Oneida, Oswego, Seneca, Tompkins and Wayne.

**Zone 2** includes the counties of Broome, Chemung, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Monroe, Ontario, Otsego, Schuyler, Tioga, Yates, Delaware, Fulton, Genesee, Livingston, Montgomery, Orleans, Schoharie, Steuben and Wyoming.

**Zone 3** includes the counties of Albany, Allegheny, Erie, Greene, Saratoga, Schenectady, St. Lawrence, Sullivan, Warren, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Clinton, Columbia, Dutchess, Essex, Franklin, Nassau, Suffolk, Niagara, Orange, Rockland, Rensselaer, Ulster, Washington, Putnam and Westchester.

**H. S. DUNCAN MEMORIAL EXHIBIT AWARD**

Two awards of \$200 each and a suitable certificate will be awarded

1. Commercial or educational exhibits in the Horticultural Building, which feature the marketing of fruits and/or vegetables, may compete for the H.S. Duncan Memorial Award.
2. H. S. Duncan was the organizer and first Director of the Farm Products Inspection Service in the Bureau of Markets, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. He worked many years to encourage better grading, promotion and better marketing of New York State fruits and vegetables. **THE ANNUAL AWARDS ARE INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE NEW IDEAS AND TECHNIQUES IN MARKETING AND MERCHANDISING NEW YORK STATE FRUITS AND/OR VEGETABLES.**
3. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. Friday, September 4, by judges assigned by the trustees of the Duncan Award Committee.
4. The award is to be made to the exhibit in the Horticultural Building which in the opinion of the judges:
  - a. Does the best promotional job for New York State fruits and/or vegetables
  - b. Has the most sales appeal for customers

<b>Division E – MAPLE PRODUCTS</b>
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**SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR MAPLE PRODUCTS**

1. All entries must be in by 10:00 a.m. on the day of judging.
2. Entries may be made by individuals only; only one entry will be allowed per exhibitor per class.
3. Entries are limited to pure maple products; no foreign products added.
4. No **labels** identifying a **producer** on entries. All syrup containers must display a label identifying the syrup as Grade A light amber, Grade A medium amber or Grade A dark amber.
5. An entry that does not meet the requirements of the class in which it is exhibited will be disqualified.
6. Class 7 (display) will be judged on the quality and marketability of the product and may include entries in classes 1 thru 6. At least three producers must participate in this class for it to be eligible.
7. New York State Maple Producers Association offers \$50.00 for Best Maple Syrup of Show.

<b>Class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
1. Light Amber Maple Syrup Grade A (at least 12 oz. container)	\$15	\$10	\$6	\$4
2. Medium Amber Maple Syrup Grade A (at least 12 oz. container)	\$15	\$10	\$6	\$4
3. Dark Amber Maple Syrup Grade A (at least 12 oz. container)	\$15	\$10	\$6	\$4
4. Maple Cream (at least ½ lb. Container)	\$15	\$10	\$6	\$4
5. Maple Sugar (hard) (at least ½ lb. bricks)	\$15	\$10	\$6	\$4
6. Maple Sugar (fancy molds) (at least ½ pound package)	\$15	\$10	\$6	\$4
7. Most attractive display of maple products (minimum 10 lbs., maximum 25 lbs. Designated display area will be divided among at least three entrants).	\$35	\$25	\$10	\$5

<b>Division F – HONEY PRODUCTS</b>
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**SPECIFIC RULES & REGULATIONS FOR HONEY PRODUCTS**

1. All honey products exhibited must be the product of the entrant’s apiary and must be produced in New York State during the current calendar year.
2. The exhibit must fulfill the requirements of the class in which it is exhibited.
3. Exhibitors should make every effort to enter extracted honey in its proper color class.
4. All extracted honey must be packed in Queen Line Type or classic jars containing one pound of honey.
5. Section comb honey must be wrapped in clear cellophane or in window cartons.
6. The judges may open and sample any exhibit.
7. No identifying labels on any entry. After judging, entry tag may disclose name and address on the exhibit shown.
8. Only one entry will be allowed per exhibitor in any one class.
9. Ribbons will be awarded to the top four winners.
10. An amount of \$190.00 will be paid for erecting and maintaining the Bee Exhibit in the Horticulture Building.

<b>Class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
1. Three 1-lb. jars of honey, light extracted	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
2. Three 1-lb. jars of honey, light amber extracted	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
3. Three 1-lb. jars of honey, amber extracted	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
4. Three 1-lb. jars of honey, dark amber extracted	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
5. Three section boxes of comb honey	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
6. Three packages of cut comb honey, 4” square	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
7. Three circular sections of comb honey	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
8. Single piece, pure beeswax, 1 lb. or more	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon
9. Beeswax candles	\$20	\$13	\$7	Ribbon