



COMMERCIAL GROWERS

ONLINE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2025			
ENTRY FEE	AGES	SKILL LEVEL	
One-Time \$25 per Exhibitor	13 & up	Amateur & Professionals	
Exhibitors will be allowed entries throughout all the Erie County Fair Competitions. A promo code redeemable for three (3) admission passes will be emailed to the exhibitor on Tuesday, August 5th.			
PREMIUM DIVISION #1:			
1 ST PLACE BLUE - \$16	2 ND PLACE RED - \$14	3 RD PLACE YELLOW - \$12	
PREMIUM DIVISION #2			
1 ST PLACE BLUE - \$35	2 ND PLACE RED - \$25	3 RD PLACE YELLOW - \$15	4 TH PLACE GREEN - \$12
Entry Arrival: Monday, August 4, 2025 between 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM; use Vehicle Gate "A" (the Purveyor Gate) at the south end of the Event Center Parking Lot (Route 62, South Park Avenue).			
Prize Checks: Available Wednesday, August 13, 2025 between 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM at the Competitive Exhibits Office along with any satin ribbons earned. Checks remaining after this time will be mailed.			

Please call the Competitive Exhibits office at 716-649-3900 ext. 6407 or email ceoffice@ecfair.org with all questions.

Commercial Growers Rules:

1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair and Ag-Grange Department rules and regulations.
2. **All entries must be registered by Tuesday, July 29, 2025.** Entries that are not registered will not be accepted. For more information see the Important Entry Information page at www.ecfair.org.
3. When and where possible the variety name should be included to help educate the consumer.
4. To minimize errors, exhibitors must affix the correct entry tag with exact variety name written on the front, securely to every entry. If an article is not brought in, the entry tag for that article must be returned to the Superintendent/Check-In Staff.
5. All perishable produce becomes the property of The Fairgrounds to be donated to the local food pantry at the end of the Fair.
6. **ONLY ONE ENTRY IN EACH CLASS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM A COMMERCIAL GROWER. EXCEPT CLASS #70**
7. Upon arrival, ANY class changes to the entry tags need to be made at the front table by officials. Changes not officially recorded will result in loss of placing and premium.
8. **ALL PRODUCE MUST BE GROWN BY A COMMERCIAL GROWER.**
9. **All articles for exhibition must remain on the grounds according to the rules of each department or forfeit their premium unless excused by the Fair Manager of the Society.**
10. **COMMERCIAL GROWER EXHIBITORS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE LEONARD TOPOLESKI AWARD**

Judging Criteria: The judging of plates is based on the quality uniformity, and preparation of the specimens. Each plate is judged as excellent, good, worthy, or no award. In order to receive an award, a plate must meet all the standards for that particular award.

Excellent	Good	Worthy	No Award
Clean Free from any damage Very uniform in size, shape, color, and maturity (not over 10% variation, or no noticeable) Of best market size and quality True to variety type	Free from damage (loss no more than 5% of the total weight of the vegetable) Relatively uniform in size, shape, color, and maturity (not over 25% variation) Of good market size and quality Fairly true to variety type	Fairly clean Free from serious damage and fairly free of minor damage (loss no more than 10% of the total weight of the vegetable) Fairly uniform in size, shape, color, and maturity (less than 100% variation) Of fair market size and quality	Dirty Seriously damaged by disease, insects, or mechanical means Over mature Extremely different in size, shape, or color Not satisfactory market size (a combination of the above points may make an exhibit undesirable)

Erie County Fair Dates: August 6 - 17, 2025



CLASSES

COMMERCIAL GROWERS - 1

1. ½ bushel Apples, Early
2. ½ bushel Apples, Green or Yellow Fall
3. ½ bushel Beans, Green
4. ½ bushel Beans, Yellow
5. ½ bushel Beets, name table variety
6. Bushel Cabbage, Green, name variety
7. Bushel Cabbage, Savoy, name variety
8. Bushel Cabbage, Red, name variety
9. ½ bushel Carrots, name variety
10. Crate Cauliflower, 9 heads, name variety
11. Crate Yellow Sweet Corn, two (2) dozen, name variety (remove a strip of husk from each ear, shank cut to less than 1 inch in length)
12. Crate White Sweet Corn, two (2) dozen, name variety (remove a strip of husk from each ear, shank cut to less than 1 inch in length)
13. Crate Bi-Color Sweet Corn, two (2) dozen, name variety (remove a strip of husk from each ear, shank cut to less than 1 inch in length)
14. Bushel Cucumbers, name variety
15. 8-quart basket, Count Pickles, less than 3 inches long
16. 8-quart basket Dill Pickles, not less than 4 inches long
17. Bushel Eggplant, name variety
18. Basket Grapes, 8 quarts, Purple
19. Basket Grapes, 8 quarts, White
20. Market Crate Lettuce, crisp or head type
21. Market Crate Escarole
22. Market Crate Endive
23. Market Crate Boston Lettuce
24. Market Crate Romaine or Cos
25. Market Crate Leaf Lettuce
26. Market Crate Red Leaf Lettuce
27. Bushel Melons, name variety
28. Bushel Oats, name variety
29. Bushel Onions, Ebenezer
30. Bushel Onions, Globe
31. Bushel Onions, Sweet
32. ½ bushel Parsnips, name variety
33. ½ bushel Pears, name variety
34. ½ bushel Peppers, Red, Hot
35. ½ bushel Peppers, Green, Hot
36. ½ bushel Peppers, Hungarian Wax, Hot
37. ½ bushel Romanian Wax Peppers
38. ½ bushel Peppers, Pimento type
39. ½ bushel Purple Bell Peppers
40. ½ bushel Peppers, Cubanelle

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41. Bushel Peppers, Green, Sweet
42. ½ bushel Peppers, Sweet Bananas
43. ½ bushel Peppers, Red-Sweet, name variety
44. Bushel Potatoes, Early White
45. Bushel Potatoes, Red
46. Bushel Potatoes, Mid-Season White name variety
47. Consumer Package of Potatoes (10 or 15 lb. pack)
48. Bushel Pumpkins, Pie
49. Bushel Rye, name variety
50. Bushel Buckwheat, name variety
51. Bushel Acorn Squash, name variety
52. Bushel Acorn, Yellow or White
53. Bushel Hubbard Squash, name variety
54. ½ bushel Yellow Summer Squash
55. Bushel Squash, Delicious
56. Bushel Squash, Green Delicious
57. Bushel Squash, Butternut
58. Bushel Squash, Spaghetti
59. Bushel Buttercup Squash
60. ½ bushel Zucchini Squash
61. One 8-quart basket Tomatoes, Ripe; Early, name variety
62. One 8-quart basket Tomatoes, Mid-Season name variety
63. ½ bushel Turnips, Purple Top, White Globe
64. Bushel Turnips
65. Bushel Wheat, Red Winter
66. Bushel Wheat, White Winter
67. Bushel Soybeans
68. Bushel Barley
69. Two Individual Bunches Dill
70. Any Other Vegetable or Fruit not listed – limited to six (6) different entries (categories), list on entry form what you are entering.
71. Any Vegetable Grown at a Commercial Hydroponic Operation. Must be packed and displayed retail market ready (e.g. one (1) tomato pint basket, one (1) head lettuce in cellophane sleeve).

GRAND CHAMPION - \$25 & Award in Memory of Earl Henry

BEST DISPLAY OF VEGETABLES - 2

1. Best Display of Vegetables