

2023 Clay County Agricultural Fair

OPEN EGG SHOW RULES

SUPERINTENDENT: Russ Rhodes

Assistant Superintendent:

Entries will be on-line only and can be found at www.claycountyfair.org

Cutoff for entries is March 17, 2023

Fair Office: 904-284-1615

ELIGIBILITY:

Any person who owns chickens may exhibit eggs in the Show. You do not have to be a resident of Clay County to enter.

DIVISIONS: The Show will have Two (2) Divisions:

Youth Division: Shall be for exhibitor's aged 17 or younger as of dawn March 30, 2023.

Open Division: Shall be for exhibitors who are not eligible for the Youth Division or who are eligible for the Youth Division but choose to enter the Open Division regardless.

Please contact the fair office @ 904-284-1615 if you have any questions.

DEFINITION:

One (1) Dozen Eggs, exhibited together in one carton, shall be considered as one (1) Entry.

EGG COLOR: Brown or White only.

Brown eggs and white eggs produced by chickens may be entered into the show. Eggs from other fowl and chicken eggs of other colors such as light green or blue, although intriguing and definable as chicken eggs, will not be judged. Neither will they be awarded any premiums or ribbons.

FEE: There is no entry fee for eggs.

LIMIT: Exhibitors may enter up to four (4) dozen eggs in each class.

DISPLAY: Eggs will not be displayed.

DELIVERY:

All egg entries must arrive at the Poultry & Rabbit Barn on the Fairgrounds between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM Wednesday, March 29, 2023, unless other prior arrangements have been made with the Superintendent. Entry will not be returned after the fair.

EACH EGG ENTRIES, MUST BE CLEARLY TAGGED WITH THE NAME OF THE EXHIBITOR AND THE CLASS IN WHICH THE ENTRY IS TO

COMPETE. The Fair is not responsible for any tag which comes loose or falls off or is unreadable. When any of these conditions with the tag are encountered, the entry will not be judged.

CLASSES:

A total of Four (4) Classes in each Division are provided. Entries will be classified as follows:

Large White Eggs

Large Brown Eggs

Extra Large White Eggs

Extra Large Brown Eggs

Entries that do not qualify for any of the four (4) established classes, such as eggs other than brown or white will not be judged and will receive no ribbon.

WHAT DETERMINE LARGE OR EXTRA LARGE:

Large Eggs:

Shall average 24 ounces per dozen. No eggs weighing less than 23 ounces per dozen or weighing more than 25.9 ounces per dozen shall be included in this class.

Extra Large Eggs:

Shall average 27 ounces per dozen. No eggs weighing less than 26 ounces per dozen shall be included in this class.

How does one weigh a dozen eggs? Use a postal scale. Sometimes the good folks at the post office have proven very helpful in this matter should you not have their own postal scale.

JUDGING:

Exhibitors are advised that judging procedures require the breaking of the eggs to inspect the quality. Judging is scheduled for Sunday, April 2, 2023, or as soon thereafter as possible. Maybe earlier. Judging will take place off site. The Walker Kincaid System of Judging will be used. A dozen eggs of minimum average weight shall receive as many points, all other things being equal, as a dozen eggs of maximum weight. Eggs will be judged on the following scale:

1. Uniformity of Size, Color & Shape – Eggs in each dozen should be uniform in size, color and shape
2. Cleanliness and Shell Quality - Eggs should be carefully wash and dried. Shell should be thick and hard to crack
3. Interior Quality – Yolk color and firmness, quality of the white, absence of trash

Note: An exceptional dozen eggs may be awarded up to two additional points for presentation quality at the discretion of the judge.

AWARDS:

Ribbons:

Individual Egg Entries will receive Blue, Red & White Ribbons.

Premium money:

Each ribbon awarded shall receive a cash premium as follows:

BLUE	\$6.00	RED	\$4.00	WHITE	\$2.00
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Rosettes:

A Rosette will be awarded to the Best Dozen Eggs in each class:
Youth Division and Open Division as follows.

LARGE WHITE EGGS
EXTRA LARGE WHITE EGGS
LARGE BROWN EGGS
EXTRA LARGE BROWN EGGS

Trophies:

Trophies will be awarded as follows.

BEST DOZEN EGGS	YOUTH DIVISION
BEST DOZEN EGGS	OPEN DIVISION

DELIVERY OF AWARDS:

Exhibitors are expected to pick up their premiums and awards on Saturday evening, April 8, 2023, from the Show Superintendent, from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Location for the delivery of awards will be the headquarters table of the Poultry Show. Exhibitor must collect the premiums in person or through a representative. The last chance to collect premiums and awards will be Sunday morning, April 9, 2023, from 9:00AM until 12:00 Noon.

After this second deadline, **any unclaimed premiums and awards shall be classified as forfeit and shall be returned to the Fair Office.**