



# AFGHAN COMPETITION

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**ONLINE ENTRY REGISTRATION STARTS APRIL 1, 2026**

**ONLINE ENTRY REGISTRATION CLOSES JULY 13, 2026**

**ENTRY DROP OFF JULY 18, 2026, 9AM-3PM and JULY 21, 2026, 12PM-6PM**

**ENTRY REMOVAL AUGUST 26, 2026, 12PM-6PM and AUGUST 27, 2026, 3PM-7PM**

**Entry Fee:** \$25.00 allows entries throughout Departments in Creative Arts, Ag-Grange, and Environment and Sportsman. A promo code redeemable for three (3) admission passes will be emailed to the exhibitor on Tuesday, August 11, 2026

**Ages:** 13 & Up

**Prize Checks:** Available Tuesday, August 18, 2026, between 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM at the Creative Arts Info Desk along with satin ribbons earned. Checks not picked up by Sunday, August 23, 2026, will be mailed.  
**\*Checks are VOID 60 days from issue date and WILL NOT BE REISSUED. Ribbons will not be mailed.**

**Afghans Competition Rules:**

1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair rules and regulations.
2. **All entries must be registered by Monday, July 13, 2026.** For more information see the Important Entry Information page at [www.ecfair.org](http://www.ecfair.org).
3. Anyone 18 years old and older is eligible to enter this competition. Team members may be younger than 18 years old.
4. Afghans must have been made by the exhibitor.
5. Only Afghans, which are free from soil and stain, will be judged.
6. Each entry will be judged on its own merit.
7. Size requirements: Minimum size: 40" x 48"(Lapghan) excluding fringe; Maximum size: 60" x 90" (Twin) excluding fringe
8. All entries must be clean and free of dirt, pet hair and stains.

**Judging Criteria**

- Afghans must be clean and free from odor from pets and smoking.
- Sizes must adhere to the General Afghan rule #6.
- Color must be harmonious and pleasant to the eye. **No** variation in color due to the mixing of dye lots.
- Pattern and design, the more challenging the pattern the better. Loose stitching is not acceptable.
- Finishing – There should be no knots, loose yarn tails, the Afghans should be blocked.
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# AFGHAN COMPETITION CLASSES

**Premiums Offered:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place Blue \$10, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Red \$5

**Tri-Color:** \$25 & Eligible for *Best of Tri-Color Award*

\*Tri-Color is an honorary award chosen by the judge for the outstanding article among those entered in competition in each section.

## **Afghans-1**

1. Crocheted Squares
2. Knitted Squares
3. Crocheted Panels
4. Knitted Panels
5. Crocheted Ripple
6. Knitted Ripple
7. Crocheted Afghan made by a person over 70 years old
8. Knitted Afghan made by a person over 70 years old
9. Crocheted – one piece
10. Knitted – one piece
11. Afghan Stitch – with pattern worked in
12. Afghan Stitch – with embroidered design
13. Any method above, representing the Fair theme: Stars, Stripes & Summer Nights