2026 FOOD PRESERVATION

Department Chairman:
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General Rules and Regulations

1. **All entries must be pre-registered** by Friday, October 16, 2026. Mail entries to: National Peanut Festival, 5622 Highway 231 South, Dothan, AL 36301, or hand deliver to the festival office. Online registration is preferred at nationalpeanutfestival.com.
2. All reasonable caution in the handling and safeguarding of all exhibits will be exercised, but the festival staff cannot assume responsibility for any loss/damage incurred.
3. **Entries must be placed between 4:00 and 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 29th.** Please go to the Premium Exhibits area located at the Summerford Building #3. If you are unable to bring your entry at the designated time, please contact Angie Pynes. Judging will be October 30th
4. Grand Prizes and Rosettes will be given to the Grand Prize Winner in Classes 1-11 & 12-13.
5. A Silver Tray will be given to the Overall Grand Prize Winner of Classes 1-11 and a Silver Tray will be awarded to the Grand Prize Winner in Classes 12-13. All winners will be posted on social media.
6. No items will be released without the exhibitor's tag stub. **Exhibits must remain on display thru the duration of the festival. Entries may be picked up on Monday, November 16th between the hours of 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM**. Any exhibit not picked up before 6:00 PM on Monday, November 10th will become the property of the National Peanut Festival.
7. Premium checks will be available when you pick up your entry Monday, November 16th. Any checks not picked up will be mailed from the NPF office to the name and address given on the entry form. Please be sure to include all the information requested on the entry form, and make sure it is legible. **Premium checks are issued based upon judges scoring sheets, not ribbon placement.**
8. All jars must be sealed with the rings and only standard jars and lids will be accepted, except on Class 9 (Pepper Sauces).
9. Please, no decorated jars. Jars with decorations or anyone's name listed on the jar will be omitted from judging.
10. Prizes will be awarded strictly on quality and appearance of the products except for Classes 4, 5, 12 & 13, which will be tasted.
11. Judges are not required to award prizes in every category. Judges decisions are final.

CLASS NUMBER

1. **Canned Vegetables**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type canned vegetable. The jar shall be either a quart or a pint. (Please note: Tomatoes are Class 1, canned vegetables.

2. **Canned Fruit**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type canned fruit. The jar shall be either a quart or a pint.

3. **Preserves**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type of preserves. The jar shall be either a quart or a pint.

4. **Jellies**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type of jelly. The jar shall be a pint or ½ pint.

5. **Jams**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type jam. The jar shall be a quart, a pint or a ½ pint.

6. **Sweet Pickles**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type pickle. The jar shall be a quart, a pint or ½ pint.

7. **Dill Pickles**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type pickle. The jar shall be a quart, pint or ½ pint.

8. **Relishes**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type relish. The jar shall be a quart, pint or ½ pint.

9. **Pepper Sauce**
   This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type pepper sauce. Any size container will be accepted.

10. **Miscellaneous Pickled Items – ie fruit, vegetables, eggs…**
    This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type of pickled food. The jar shall be a quart, pint or ½ pint. (Please note: anything pickled except cucumbers, goes in Class 10.)

11. **Miscellaneous**
    This class will be for any item that does not fit into the above categories. Only ONE entry per exhibit. The jar shall be either a quart or a pint. (Please note: Salsa goes in Class 11, Misc.)

12. **Peanut Butter**
    This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type homemade peanut butter. The jar shall be either a quart or a pint.

13. **Canned Boiled Peanuts**
    This exhibit shall consist of no more than ONE jar of each type canned peanuts. The jar shall be either a quart or a pint.

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PREMIUMS:

1ST PLACE …… $25.00 2ND PLACE ….. $20.00 3RD PLACE…….. $15.00

GRAND PRIZES:

CLASSES 1-11: Rosette & $30.00 CLASSES 12-13: Rosette & $30.00

Food Preservation Entry Form

Registration Deadline: October 16, 2026

Please print

Exhibitor Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cell # _____ Phone _____

Email _____

A separate entry form must be submitted for each exhibitor.

Online entry now available!

Mail completed form to:

NATIONAL PEANUT FESTIVAL
5622 US Hwy 231 South
Dothan, AL 36301

Please complete this entry form and pre-register before the deadline. Drop-off is scheduled for Thursday, October 29th between 4:00 & 6:00 PM in the NPF Premium Exhibit Building. Entries must stay in place throughout the duration of the festival and may not be picked up prior to Monday, November 16, 2026 between 4:00 & 6:00 PM. . **Please refer to the contest rules for instructions and times.**

EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

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