



September 10 – 20, 2026

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Home Arts General Rules

Entries in this department are limited to residents of New Mexico.

All entries will be received in the Home Arts/Creative Arts Building south of the Manuel Lujan Building.

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00
Fees are Non-Refundable

The \$5.00 fee applies to the exhibitor alone, **not** to each item being entered. This fee does **not** apply to any Food Preparation Contests, including the Junior Baking Contest.

Exhibitors **must** be amateurs (unless otherwise stated in certain classes). This requirement is met through our faith in exhibitors' honesty. If it comes to the attention of any employee and/or judge that an item not placed in a professional class is indeed made by a professional, defined as a person making over \$500 a year, who sells such works as the item entered, that entry will be disqualified. Any other entries made by that exhibitor will be thoroughly examined in our attempt to keep our contests fair and valid.

ENTRY DATES

These entry dates apply to Sewing, Needlework, Fiber Arts, & Specialty, Preserved Foods, and Junior Preserved Foods.

Friday, August 21st: 9:00AM to 4:30PM

Saturday, August 22nd: 9:00AM to 4:30PM

- Entries in this department are limited to residents of New Mexico.
- All entries must be clean, free of odors, pet hair, and in excellent condition. **Otherwise, it will not be accepted.**
- All entries need to be the work of the exhibitor and completed within the last year. **The Exhibitor** must be an **amateur** unless otherwise stated, defined as a person who does not make more than \$500 yearly in the activity or vocation they wish to enter.
- Entries must comply with the requirements laid out in the New Mexico State Fair Premium Book. Exhibitors are not allowed multiple entries in the same class.
- When mailing entries by **UPS or FedEx**, address to:
New Mexico State Fair
Attn: Home Arts Superintendent
300 San Pedro NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87108
When mailing entries by USPS, address to:
New Mexico State Fair, Home Arts Superintendent
P.O. Box 8546
Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87198

- Mailed entries must arrive by Friday, August 14th. Exhibitor needs to include an entry list in each package of shipped items so contents can be properly entered. Mailed entries will be returned after the State Fair, provided shipping (postage stamps) to cover mailing was included with entry. The \$5.00 Entry Fee must also be included.
- RAFFLES ARE NOT ALLOWED.
- The decisions made by the judges are final.
- **ITEMS ENTERED ON Friday, August 21st & Saturday, August 22nd**: Exhibitors may enter Gate 3 and drive directly to the south side of the Home Arts/Creative Arts Building between 9:00AM and 4:30PM to unload and enter items. The Home Arts/Creative Arts Building is located west of Tingley Coliseum just south of the Manuel Lujan Building.
- **FOOD PREPARATION ENTRIES DURING THE STATE FAIR**: Fees do not apply for Food Preparation Contests. **Please arrive early when entering any of the Food Preparation Contests**, please bring entries on the date listed in the Premium Book to the Home Arts/ Creative Arts Building located west of Tingley Coliseum, with the entrance facing the Manuel Lujan Building (north), between 8:00AM and 12:00PM. Entries will **not** be accepted after 12:00PM. The door for food preparation entries will be to the left of the main northern entrance and clearly marked. Parking is located at Gate 8 (Louisiana and Lomas). Exhibitors arriving before 10:00AM may not be asked to pay admission, although paying for parking is required. After 10:00AM exhibitors will be required to pay for parking and admission to the State Fair.
- ID tags for each entry will be attached when entered. The Claim Check portion of each tag must be presented on Pick-Up Day before any entries are released to any person. *Early pick-ups **are not permitted***.
- Precautions are taken for the safety of all entries, but in no case, will the New Mexico State Fair, the State of New Mexico, employees, contractors or volunteers be held liable for the loss or damages to any entry while in the Fair's possession. Participants are encouraged to carry their own insurance.
- Participant recognizes that marketing of the Fair and its grounds requires use of photography and video. Participant hereby expressly grants to the Fair the irrevocable, assignable right and license to take, use and publish participant images and entries without the need for any other approval. Images and entries will not be used for profit.
- Participants are responsible for picking up their own entries or provide written authorization for pick-up by another individual.
- **NEW**: Entries must be picked up Tuesday, September 22, 2026, from 9:00am – 4:00pm. Any entry or items remaining on the Fairgrounds after this date will be considered abandoned and shall become the property of the NM State Fair to be disposed of at its discretion.
- As stated above, Claim Checks are required for the release of any entries, please keep track of them and have them available on the date previously listed.