

Agriculture
Division 39
Junior – Honey
New Mexico State Fair
September 4 – 14, 2025

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Entry Date
Tuesday, September 2, 2025
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Judging
Wednesday, September 3, 2025
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Special Rules
Classes Subject to Change

1. Age Limit of 18 years old and younger are allowed to enter the Junior Honey Division.
2. Entries and awards in this department shall be subject to the general rules and regulations.

3. Entries in this department must be products of New Mexico and must have been grown or raised by the exhibitor in 2025. Exhibitors may be required to sign an affidavit that their exhibit complies with this rule.
4. Not more than one sample of any variety of farm products grown on the same farm may be entered, (Junior exhibitors are exempt provided their entries are in the Junior Division).
5. The outer surface or skin of agriculture or garden products entered must be natural. Coatings or artificial repairs are not allowed.
6. Advertising or selling products is not allowed.
7. **Address labels** for exhibit tags **must** accompany entries. The address labels help to speed up taking entries and alleviate mistakes in the spelling of names and addresses. Exhibitors should bring produce and unload directly behind the Agriculture Building.
8. Judges without bias shall consider merit only when selecting awards and when passing on the best collection, shall consider quality of distinct variety first and number variety second.
9. When there is no competition or when an exhibit is not worthy of first prize, the judge shall place it in the class to which it belongs, as judged by the standard of the article. The judge shall decide as to what is standard. Advertising or selling is prohibited.
10. Honey will be tasted as part of the judging; clean spoons will be used.
11. 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.
12. 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 work without the need for any other approval. Images and work will not be used for profit.

13. Participants are responsible for picking up their own entries or provide written authorization for pick-up by another individual.
14. **NEW: Entries** must be picked up Monday, September 15, 2025, from 9:00am – 5:00pm. Any entries 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.

JUNIOR SECTION

Age 18 & Under

Cut Comb Honey Section 8

Class 207-211

207. Cut Comb, White
208. Cut Comb, Extra light amber
209. Cut Comb, Light amber
210. Cut Comb, Amber
211. Cut Comb, Dark amber

Score Card for Comb Honey

Comb should be displayed in containers that allow judges to examine and taste one side while the other side is kept intact for exhibit, 3” – 4” squares, circles or rectangles.

100 Total Maximum Points

Uniformity of Appearance	20
Neatness of Comb Cut	20
Capping's: All cells are capped with fresh white wax	20
Cleanliness of Comb and Container	20
Flavor	20

Chunk Comb Honey Section 9

Class 212-216

212. Chunk Comb, White
213. Chunk Comb, Extra light amber
214. Chunk Comb, Light amber
215. Chunk Comb, Amber
216. Chunk Comb, Dark amber

Score Card for Chunk Comb Honey

A chunk of cut comb in a jar with liquid honey. Minimum of 16 oz. or 1 lb. jar (a canning Mason pint jar meets this minimum standard) made of clear colorless smooth glass or clear plastic jars and free of labels.

100 Total Maximum Points

Neatness and Uniformity of Cut	25
Uniformity of Appearance in Capping Structure	25
Cleanliness of Container	25
Flavor and Aroma	25

Extracted Honey Section 10

Class 217-221

217. Honey, White
218. Honey, Extra light amber
219. Honey, Light amber
220. Honey, Amber
221. Honey, Dark amber

Score Card for Extracted Honey

One jar only, minimum of 16 fl. oz. or 1 lb. jar (a canning Mason pint jar meets this minimum standard) made of clear, colorless smooth glass or clear plastic jars free of labels.

100 Total Maximum Points

Flavor and Aroma	25
Color and Brightness	25
Container Appearance, clean jar & cap.	25
Cleanliness, without debris	25

Beeswax Section 11

Class 222

Score Card for Beeswax

Minimum of 1 lb. in any shape.

100 Total Maximum Points

Absence of Cracking & Shrinkage	25
Uniformity of Appearance	25
Cleanliness, Absence of honey & Impurities	25
Aroma & Texture	25

Beeswax Section 12

Class 223

Score Card for Pure Beeswax Products without Additives

Minimum of 1 lb. in any shape. Pure Beeswax Products can be candles, dipped or molded, beeswax figurines, or novelties.

100 Total Maximum Points

Absence of Cracking & Shrinkage	20
Uniformity of Appearance	20
Cleanliness, Absence of honey & impurities	20
Aroma & Texture	20
Craftsmanship	20

Beeswax Section 13

Class 224

Score Card for Beeswax Products with Additives

Minimum of 1 lb. in any shape.

100 Total Maximum Points

Absence of Cracking & Shrinkage	20
Uniformity of Appearance	20
Cleanliness, Absence of honey & Impurities	20
Aroma & Texture	20
Craftsmanship	20

Photography Section 14

Class 225

Score Card for Photography

Photos of beekeeping related content in a 5"x7" or 8"x10", frame or mount.

100 Total Maximum Points

Photographic Quality	30
Mounting	30
Content of Photograph	40