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*Open Plants & Soils – Department A14*

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**All exhibitors are expected to be familiar with and follow all expectations covered at the beginning of this guide: Topics include:**

1. Exhibit Guide: Use only this year's guide. Follow the schedule listed on page 1.
2. Method of Registration:
  - a. online at <http://nwsfa.fairwire.com>
  - b. Payment is required to complete registration.
  - c. A registration worksheet with fee details is available on the website.
  - d. By registering to exhibit at the Fair you authorize the use of your image (photo, audio, or video) for NWSF advertising and marketing.
3. Perks of Registering
4. Exhibit Tags: Should be attached to the exhibit prior to drop off.
5. Registration: Changes, Additions, Substitutions and Refunds.
6. Exhibit Arrival / Drop-Off:
7. Judging: DATCP allows classes with low entry numbers to be merged into an 'any other' class at the time of judging. And for large classes to be split into heats. The decision of the certified judge is final.
8. Premiums & Ribbons
9. Parking & Entry to the Grounds
10. Removal of Exhibits
11. Camping
12. Leadership Structure
13. Ethics for Non-Animal Exhibits (Open 14–28 & Junior 10–33) Show respect to everyone.
14. Guidelines for Livestock Exhibits — Open (01–11) & Junior (01–13)
15. Ethics for livestock exhibits Open 01-11 & Junior 01-13 .
16. NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS – I.A.F.E.
17. Liability Information

**Items specific to this department exhibitors agree to:**

- A. Because of the early date of this fair, some exhibits may not have made enough growth to make a fair showing. No awards will be given to exhibits of this kind.
  - B. **Produce and plant materials are to be grown by exhibitors. No purchased items.**
  - C. All entries must be labeled with the name(s) of the variety.
  - D. The class descriptions indicate the number of specimens needed for the exhibit and other display information.
  - E. All threshed and sheaf grain will be subject to germination test.
  - F. All threshed samples of grains or grasses germinating 70% or less will be retained by NWSF and no award will be given.
  - G. All exhibits should be displayed on a non-decorated plate or non-decorative container appropriate to the size of the product.
  - H. All corn must be at mature stage. These may be from last year's crop. Immature exhibits will be disqualified at the judge's discretion.
  - I. Hybrid corn will be judged on the following points: Germination, Disease, Maturity, Uniformity, and General Quality.
  - J. All sheaves and bundles shall be shown in cured stage. Green (uncured) exhibits will be disqualified. Sheaves will be retained by the fair upon the close of the fair.
  - K. Grains may be dyed or marked with food grade food dye after judging.
  - L. All sheaves of grain shall be 2 ½ inches in diameter at upper band
  - M. All bundle grasses, hay and forage crops shall be 4 inches in diameter at the lower band.
  - N. **Items not picked up on the designated date will be disposed of by the Department Leaders.**
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**Premiums All Divisions**      1<sup>st</sup> =\$2                      2<sup>nd</sup> =\$1.75                      3<sup>rd</sup> =\$1.50                      4<sup>th</sup> =\$1.25

**Awards:**

Best of Show Vegetable	Ribbon
Best of Show Fruit	Ribbon
Best of Show Herb	Ribbon
Best of Show Field Crop	Ribbon
Sweepstakes – Overall A14 & A15	Rosette + \$15

**Division A – Vegetables - Class # - Description**

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| 1. Beans, Wax, 15-cut beans from stalk, do not pull. Leave 1/2 inch of stem    |   |
| 2. Beans, Green, 15- cut beans from stalk, do not pull. Leave 1/2 inch of stem |   |
| 3. Beets, Pickling, 4 (with 1" top)  | 19. Potatoes, Norland, 6  |
| 4. Broccoli, 1 head  | 20. Potatoes, Red Pontiac, 6  |
| 5. Carrots, Any variety, 6   | 21. Potatoes, Any other named variety, 6  |
| 6. Cucumbers, Dill, 3 (3 to 4 inches)  | 22. Radishes, Red, bunch of 4 (with 1" top)   |
| 7. Cucumbers, Pickling, 6  | 23. Radishes, White, bunch of 4 (with 1" top)   |
| 8. Garlic, (5 bulb), 1" stems  | 24. Rhubarb, 6-trim top to 1 inch of leaf, clean root end (Stalk should be pulled, not cut) |
| 9. Kale, 1 plant in water  | 25. Squash, Summer zucchini, 2  |
| 10. Kohlrabi 2"-4", 4-6 top leaves 1/2"  | 26. Squash, Summer, any other   |
| 11. Leaf Lettuce, 1 plant in water   | 27. Sweet Corn, Early, 3 ears (husked)  |
| 12. Onions, White, 4   | 28. Swiss Chard, 2 plants in water with roots (unpotted)                                    |
| 13. Onions, Yellow, 4  | 29. Tomatoes, Cherry, 5 (with stem)   |
| 14. Onions, Red, 4   | 30. Tomatoes, Green 4 (with stem)   |
| 15. Peas, Edible pods, 10  | 31. Tomatoes, Red, 3 (with stem)  |
| 16. Peas, Snow, 10   | 32. Other Vegetable/Miscellaneous   |
| 17. Peppers, Green, 3  |   |
| 18. Peppers, Any other named variety, 3  |   |

**Division B – Fruits - Class # - Description - Cut stem from tree, do not pull**

1. Apples, Delicious, 5 - with stem, and a couple leaves.
2. Apples, Haralson, 5 - with stem, and a couple leaves.
3. Apples, McIntosh, 5 - with stem, and a couple leaves.
4. Apples, Oldenberg (Duchess), 5-with stem and a couple leaves.
5. Apples, Gala, 5-with stem, and a couple of leaves.
6. Apples, Any other standard variety, 5- with stem and a couple leaves.
7. Crab Apples, Whitney, 10 (with stem & leaves)
8. Crab Apples, Any other variety, 10 (with stem & leaves)
9. Grapes, 4 bunches
10. Plums, 10
11. Raspberries, 1 pint
12. Strawberries, 1 pint
13. Blueberries, 1 pint
14. Other fruit not listed/Miscellaneous

**Division C - Herbs - Class # - Description**

All herbs are to be in a clean jar of water, sized for the exhibit. Add sand, pebbles, marbles, etc. to add weight to make it as stable as possible.

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| 1. Basil, 3 stems   | 6. Oregano, 3 stems  |
| 2. Chive, 6 stems   | 7. Parsley, 3 stems  |
| 3. Cilantro, 3 stems  | 8. Rosemary, 3 stems |
| 4. Dill, 1 head in water plant and roots                                | 9. Sage, 3 stems     |
| 5. Mint, 3 stems  | 10. Thyme, 3 stems   |
| 11. Any Other Herb not listed, (identify variety) 3 stems/Miscellaneous |                      |

**Division D - Field Crops - Class # - Description**

1. Soybeans, 1-previous year crop, put in a one-gallon zip-lock style bag, leaving 1" headspace
2. Hybrid Corn, 10 cobs-previous year crop
3. Yellow Dent Corn, 6 stalks (no roots) bundled in 3 places-current year
4. Alfalfa
5. Timothy Hay

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6. Any other Field Crop/Miscellaneous