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# HONEY SHOW

## Department 310

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**2023 JUDGE:** *Mike Studer*

**Entry Deadline: Friday, August 25, 2023**  
**Judging: Sunday, September 10, 2023 - 8:00 a.m.**

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Fair will open to the public at 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 8th, and close at midnight, Sunday, September 17th. In order to open at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, we must have as many exhibits as possible in place by this time. **All exhibits must be brought to the Jacob Building Thursday, September 7th from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

Individual **Extracted Honey** competition entries must be in a one pound queen line or classic jar, and **Comb Honey** competition entries must be in a cylindrical one pound honey jar or a pint mason jar. All jars must be unlabeled and only one entry per lot per exhibitor. **Only two entries per lot per family will be allowed.** **Beeswax-class 4, lot 1** must weigh at least one pound. **Beeswax-class 4, lot 2** must include an index card with the name of product and a complete recipe (all ingredients and amounts, with yield of recipe). **Beeswax-class 4, lot 3** is a single candle; **NO rolled beeswax candles** will be accepted. **All Beeswax entries** should be wrapped in plastic wrap, unless they are in a product container with lid. **Frames of honey** must be placed in sanitary, bee-proof containers or securely wrapped in plastic wrap. **All Honey and Beeswax** must be produced in the current year 2023 and be from the exhibitor's personal bee yard. **All Entries** will be judged according to the official scorecard.

1. All entries should be made online at [www.tnvalleyfair.org](http://www.tnvalleyfair.org) or on the **Exhibitor Entry Form** located in the back of this book. The completed form can be faxed, e-mailed or mailed no later than August 25th. Online entries will be accepted starting July 1st, 2023.
2. **Entries will remain on display from the time of entry until 9pm, Sunday, September 17th**, unless otherwise approved by the Department Head. Entries may be removed between 9:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., Sunday, September, 17th only.
3. Leaking **Frames of Honey** will be disqualified.
4. Sale of honey, beeswax or products by the exhibitors **WILL NOT BE PERMITTED!**
6. Counties wishing to participate in Class 7 - County Displays should notify the Department Head of the Honey Show at least 30 days in advance of the opening day of the fair. **Eight foot County Display maximum weight is 45 pounds; six foot County Display maximum weight is 30 pounds. A maximum of 3 persons will be allowed to set up one display.**

### OFFICIAL SCORE CARD FOR HONEY SHOW

#### Extracted Honey

Density (water content above 18.6% is disqualified, below 15.5% will be docked points).....	10 points
Absence of Crystals.....	10 points
Cleanliness (without lint, dirt, wax, foam or bubbles).....	40 points
Flavor (adverse processing, after taste or fermentation - points will be deducted).....	10 points
Container Appearance and Cleanliness.....	10 points
Accuracy of Fill (no visible gap between honey and lid).....	20 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

#### Comb Honey

Neatness and Uniformity of Cut Comb.....	20 points
Absence of Watery Cappings, Uncapped Cells and Pollen.....	20 points
Cleanliness (inside and outside of jar).....	20 points
Uniformity of Appearance/Absence of Floating Cappings.....	20 points
Density (water content) and Flavor of Liquid.....	20 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

**Official Score Card For Honey Show (continued)**

**Frame of Honey**

Uniformity of Appearance.....	25 points
Absence of Uncapped Cells.....	20 points
Uniformity of Color.....	15 points
Absence of Watery Cappings.....	10 points
Cleanliness - Absence of Travel Stains.....	20 points
Freedom From Granulation and Pollen.....	10 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

**Beeswax - Single Piece (Minimum 1 lb.)**

Cleanliness.....	35 points
Uniformity of Appearance.....	20 points
Color (The desired color is lemon, canary or straw yellow).....	15 points
Aroma.....	15 points
Absence of Cracks & Shrinkage.....	15 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

**Beeswax Candle**

Cleanliness.....	30 points
Uniformity of Appearance & Shape.....	20 points
Quality, Color (The desired color is lemon, canary or straw yellow) and Aroma.....	20 points
Finishing Details/ Wick Should be 1/2" in length and coated with beeswax.....	30 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

**Beeswax Product**

**(Examples: body cream or lotion, lip balm, boat shine, furniture polish, etc)**

Cleanliness.....	30 points
Color Appropriate to Product.....	15 points
Quality and Appearance.....	30 points
Texture and Aroma.....	25 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

**Individual Educational Exhibit & County Display (Class 7 & 8)**

Individual Education Exhibit:	
Attractiveness.....	20 points
Educational Value, Accurate Information & Correct Spelling.....	40 points
Adherence to and Inclusion of FAIR Theme.....	20 points
Quick and Easy Read - no larger than a standard 22"X28" poster.....	20 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

County Display:

Attractiveness.....	20 points
Educational Value, Accurate Information & Correct Spelling.....	40 points
Adherence to and Inclusion of the FAIR theme.....	20 points
Inclusion of Hive Products (Honey, Wax, Wax Products, Pollen, Propolis).....	20 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>



**Photography**

Composition.....	35 points
Treatment of subject matter.....	35 points
Quality and presentation.....	30 points
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>100 points</b>

**Premiums for Class 1 - 5**  
**1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00**

**CLASS 1—EXTRACTED HONEY**

Lot

- 01 - Extra Light Amber 
- 02 - Light Amber
- 03 - Amber
- 04 - Dark Amber 

**CLASS 2—COMB HONEY**

Lot

- 01 - Extra Light Amber
- 02 - Light Amber
- 03 - Amber
- 04 - Dark Amber


**CLASS 3—FRAME OF HONEY**

Lot

- 01 - Shallow frame light honey
  - 02 - Shallow frame dark honey
  - 03 - Deep frame of light honey
  - 04 - Deep frame of dark honey
- \* An Illinois/medium frame may be entered into shallow or deep*

**CLASS 4—BEESWAX**

Lot

- 01 - One entry of beeswax 
- 02 - A homemade product made of beeswax
- 03 - Candle

**CLASS 5—INDIVIDUAL EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT RULES**

1. No larger than a standard 22"x28" poster exhibit on any phase of apiculture.
2. Lettering/wording must be legible from at least a 12-foot distance.
3. Must include and adhere to Fair Theme.

**CLASS 6 - COUNTY DISPLAY**

**Premiums for Class 6**  
**1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$60.00 3rd - \$45.00**  
**Credible Entries will receive \$20.00**

Lot 01

Best display presenting an educational and promotional exhibit by a Tennessee County Beekeepers Association. Individuals may not enter this Class, only Beekeeping Associations. Please see Judging Criteria/Official Score Card.

**CLASS 7 - PHOTOGRAPHY**

**Premiums for Class 7**  
**1st - \$14.00 2nd - \$10.00 3rd - \$8.00**

Competition is open to members of a Tennessee Beekeeping Association. Prints must be 8"x10" and mounted on a board with a 1" border on each side. No frames are permitted. Prints may be black and white or color. Photographs may only be entered once in any Tennessee Valley Fair show. Each photograph must be accompanied by a 3"x 5" card giving photo title, entrant's name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number, and name of their local Beekeeping Association. Cards will be taped to the back side of the photograph.

Lot

- 01 - Close Up Print: Subject must relate to beekeeping; No person
- 02 - Landscape/Scenic Print: Apiary subject - apiary, hives, bees, flowers, fields, etc.; No person
- 03 - Portrait Print: One person involved in a beekeeping procedure in an appropriate apiary setting

**CLASS 8 - SWEEPSTAKES**

Lot 01

Best of Show Rosette Ribbons will be awarded to the 3 exhibitors earning the most points in Classes 1 - 5. Points will be calculated as follows:

- Blue ribbon - 10 points
- Red ribbon - 8 points
- White ribbon - 6 points

