

# Wisconsin State Fair

## August 2 – 12, 2018

Entry Phone: 414/313-2767

Entry Deadline: June 13, 2018

Late Entry Deadline: June 21, 2018



**Culinary Day 2**

**Judging Saturday, July 28, 2018**

**Exhibitor Handbook and Premium List**



## Welcome Letter

Thyme for Fun! Welcome to the Wisconsin State Fair family! As a competitive exhibitor at this historic Fair you are adding to its rich heritage, which is over 165 years strong.

Blue ribbons await you in Grand Champion Hall. We are looking forward to seeing you and your exhibits at the 2018 Fair. Your pride and talents are on display for over one million visitors to view.

We hope you will have a fun “thyme” showing off your talents! See you at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair, presented by U.S. Cellular, August 2-12.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen O'Leary". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "O" at the end.

Kathleen O'Leary  
Chief Executive Officer

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# CULINARY SCHEDULE

Grand Champion Hall is open daily 9:00 am to 10:00 pm during the Fair.

Please review all delivery dates and judging carefully, as they are subject to change annually.

All judging takes place in Grand Champion Hall unless otherwise noted.

<b>Entry Deadline June 13, 2018!</b>			
<b>DELIVERY AND JUDGING SCHEDULE</b>			
Category	Location Drop Off	Drop Off Date & Time	Judging Date & Time
Quilt – Quilt-topia Class 235	Mail Square with Quilt Entry Form and W-9	Mail Square with Quilt Entry Form and W-9	Thursday, June 28 10:00 am – Tommy G Thompson Youth Center
Photography Classes 1000 - 1124	Grand Champion Hall	Tuesday, July 10 9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Monday, July 16 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Quilts Classes 200 - 234, 236 - 237	Grand Champion Hall	Tuesday, July 10 Noon – 6:00 pm	Monday, July 16 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Textile & Craft Classes 1 - 159, 240 - 412	Grand Champion Hall	Tuesday, July 10 Noon – 6:00 pm	Wednesday, July 18 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Culinary Day 1 Classes 500 – 685 & 970	Grand Champion Hall	Wednesday, July 25 7:30 am – 10:30 am	Wednesday, July 25 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Culinary Day 2 Classes 700 - 881	Grand Champion Hall	Saturday, July 28 7:30 am – 10:30 am	Saturday, July 28 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Culinary Day 3 Thyme for Fun-Fair- Fetti Friday Classes 900 - 908	Grand Champion Hall	Friday, August 3 7:30 am – 8:30 am	Friday, August 3 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Culinary Day 4 Thyme for Bushels of Fun Day Classes 950 – 958	Grand Champion Hall	Sunday, August 5 7:30 am – 8:30 am	Sunday, August 5 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Textile, Craft & Culinary Department phone number:  
414/313-2767

# ENTRY INFORMATION

## ENTRY BLANK WILL BE RETURNED IF NOT FILLED OUT COMPLETELY.

1. ENTRY BLANK and FEE must be postmarked no later than June 13, 2018.
2. FEES: A processing fee of \$12 will be charged to all exhibitors. An additional \$1 fee per item entered will be charged. All fees are non-refundable.
3. LATE FEE (June 14-20, 2018): a \$25 late fee, plus the \$12 processing fee and the additional \$1 per item entered will cover up to a maximum of 5 items entered after the entry deadline of June 13, 2018 has passed. See entry blank.
4. DELIVERY OF EXHIBITS: Deliver exhibits to Grand Champion Hall on the dates and times listed on the culinary schedule. A detailed delivery map and information will be mailed to exhibitors in July.
5. TAGS for your exhibits will be prepared and attached by staff when exhibits are delivered.

## HOW TO CLAIM EXHIBITS

1. PRIZE WINNERS: All winning and non-winning exhibits must be picked up between noon and 5:30 pm on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at the Textile, Craft & Culinary (TCC) section in Grand Champion Hall.
2. NON-WINNERS: During the Fair, non-winning exhibits may also be claimed during building hours. Allow 30 minutes for pick-up. When claiming exhibits, present your claim checks to the office in the Textile, Craft & Culinary section in Grand Champion Hall.
3. Any exhibits or prizes not claimed by 5:30 pm Tuesday, August 14, 2018 will be disposed of and/or donated to charity.

No judging results will be given over phone, fax, or email. Please read all instructions carefully! Observe dates and times of entry and pick up. Entries will be processed on a first come first served basis. Be sure to allow enough time when bringing in your exhibit or picking up. Prize-winning exhibits must be exhibited throughout the entire Fair.

# CULINARY SPECIAL RULES

Read all rules and instructions carefully.

**Entry Deadline:** June 13, 2018

**Judging:** July 28, 2018

## ***Exhibitor Information***

1. **This is a competition for amateurs.** Commercial enterprises or businesses are not eligible to enter.
2. Exhibitors are limited to 35 exhibits in the culinary division.
3. An exhibitor will be permitted to submit **only one entry in any one class.** No additional items may be added. Classes can be switched, but not added.
4. Any exhibitor with more than 15 exhibits for any one judging day must arrive at least 2 hours before closing time to allow for accurate registration.
5. Youth are encouraged to participate in all culinary classes (unless noted otherwise).

## ***Recipe, Entry & Garnish Information***

6. All foods must be delivered with a recipe. The recipe must be typed on 8½ inch x 11-inch paper, including a space for exhibitor's number in upper left corner (to be written in at check-in), and class number in top right hand corner. See sample below. Exhibitors' names must not be on the recipe. **All recipes must be typed**, or the entry will be disqualified!

**Sample recipe for baking and canning recipes.**

Exhibitor's No. \_\_\_\_\_ Class No. \_\_\_\_\_

Recipe \_\_\_\_\_

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**Must be on 8½ " x 11" paper**

7. **All recipes must be original to the exhibitor entering them.** No prepared mixes may be used except in classes indicated.
8. **White paper or foam plates will be used for all possible items except 900 classes.** This does not include casseroles, pies, etc. If an item cannot be transferred to disposable plates, pans or plates should not exceed 12 inches in diameter. These pans and plates are **non-returnable**.

9. **No garnishes will be allowed. Garnishes are defined for this show as a decorative element that is not intended to be eaten with the prepared dish.**
10. Powdered sugar may be used on unfrosted exhibits.
11. Cakes must be removed from pan.

### ***Judging & Awards***

12. Upon submission, all recipes become the property of the Wisconsin State Fair which has the right to publish, promote or advertise the recipes, the name of the contestant and photos without compensation.
13. Recipes entered and judged in previous years are not eligible for competition.
14. If any recipe is entered in the wrong class and the mistake is discovered before the judging, the superintendent may make the proper correction.
15. Entries will be disqualified if not entered under the name of the person who made the culinary exhibit. All entries must be made by the exhibitor unless otherwise stated in the premium list.
16. Do not mail any culinary exhibits, including canning.
17. Only prize winners will be exhibited.
18. Not all items will be behind glass or in a display case. All exhibits will receive the best care and protection in the surroundings. They are at all times subject to owners' risk and in no event will the department be responsible for damage or loss that may occur. All exhibits will be displayed at the discretion of the Textile, Craft & Culinary (TCC) Department.
19. Many classes have special requirements; read all rules.
20. Exhibitors are welcome to attend judging. A tentative judging schedule is listed in the front of each section. Space is limited. Only children with entries should attend judging.
21. Ribbons won on food and canning exhibits will be mailed to exhibitors.
22. Make arrangements at the TCC office for picking up special awards.

### ***Pick-Up of Exhibits***

23. Perishable food exhibits not receiving a placing will only be released immediately after class judging is completed. Exhibits not picked up after 20 minutes will be disposed of by staff.
24. Pick up cake decorating items between noon and 5:30 pm on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at the TCC section of the Grand Champion Hall. Any exhibits or prizes not claimed by 5:30 pm on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 will be disposed of and/or donated to charity.

# CULINARY DAY 2 CLASSES - Saturday, July 28, 2018

## WISCONSIN DAIRY – Division 300

2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!

### ALL NEW CLASSES!

SPECIAL RULES: All recipes must be made with Wisconsin dairy products.

**PREMIUMS** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$14.00      2<sup>nd</sup> - \$13.00      3<sup>rd</sup> - \$12.00      4<sup>th</sup> - \$11.00

### Score Card for Wisconsin Dairy

Creativity/originality	35
Taste	30
Presentation/ease of preparation	25
Use of Wisconsin dairy products	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

### Class #

#### Thyme for buttery fun favorites

- 700. Butter cookies (plate of 9)
- 701. Ooey gooey butter cake (9 bars)

#### Thyme for spreading the dip love

- 702. Herb butter spread, 2 cups
- 703. Sour cream and onion dip, 2 cups
- 704. Taco dip, 2 cups

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### WISCONSIN STATE FAIR DAIRY PROMOTION BOARD

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board will sponsor awards (to be announced) for first place winners in each of the dairy classes. Classes 700-704.

<i>Number of Awards</i>	<i>Selected from Classes</i>	<i>Award Type</i>	<i>Paid by:</i>
1	700, first place	TBA	Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board
1	701, first place	TBA	Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board
1	702, first place	TBA	Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board
1	703, first place	TBA	Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board
1	704, first place	TBA	Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board

### Best of Division Ribbon – Division 300, Wisconsin Dairy

Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.



**CAKES – Division 301**  
**2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!**

**PREMIUMS** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$14.00      2<sup>nd</sup> - \$13.00      3<sup>rd</sup> - \$12.00      4<sup>th</sup> - \$11.00

**ALL NEW CLASSES!**

Serving Size: standard cake size

**Score Card for Cake**

<b>Internal characteristics</b>			<b>40</b>
<i>Texture</i>	Tender, moist crumb, velvety feel on tongue		20
<i>Grain</i>	Fine, round, evenly distributed cells, thin cell walls, free from tunnels		10
<i>Color</i>	Uniform, characteristic of type		10
<b>External characteristics</b>			<b>30</b>
<i>Shape</i>	Symmetrical, slightly rounded top, free from cracks or peaks		10
<i>Surface</i>			10
	Unfrosted	Smooth, uniform, light brown except where ingredients darken color	
	Frosted	Consistency – Characteristic of kind, creamy, moist, free from stickiness, crystals or crustiness	
	Flavor	Characteristic of kind, delicate and pleasing in combination with cake	
	Distribution	style and color suitable to kind of cake and frosting	
<i>Volume</i>	Light in proportion to size		10
<b>Flavor</b>			<b>30</b>
	Blended flavor of ingredients. Free from undesirable flavor from fat, leavening flavoring or other ingredients		30
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>100</b>

**Class #**

**Thyme for smiles and cake fun** (If cake is frosted, include recipe for frosting.)

- 720. **First “thyme” cake entry** (This class is for first time entrants in this division)
- 721. Carrot cake
- 722. Chocolate coffee liqueur cake
- 723. Cranberry white chocolate cake
- 724. Fun-Fair-Fetti inspired cake
- 725. Fun inspired Bundt
- 726. Hot chocolate cake
- 727. Luscious lemon cake
- 728. Perfect pound cake
- 729. Pineapple upside down cake – tropical (no frosting)

**Best of Division Ribbon – Division 301, Cakes**

Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.

## DECORATED CAKES – Division 302

2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!

PREMIUMS 1<sup>st</sup> - \$17.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$16.00

3<sup>rd</sup> - \$15.00

4<sup>th</sup> - \$14.00

### ALL NEW CLASSES! ADULT AND YOUTH CLASSES

- All cakes should be dummies (Styrofoam base) – except for cupcakes. Prepared mix should be used for cupcake classes. No recipes needed for this division.
- Overall size of cardboard or plate not to exceed 24” unless specified.
- Non-edible decorations should be kept to a minimum; the focus should be on the decorated cake and decorating techniques.
- All non-winning cakes must be picked up after judging or they will be disposed of.
- All winning cakes must be picked up between noon and 5:30 pm, on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at the TCC section of Grand Champion Hall.
- Cupcakes, plate of 6.

### Score Card for Decorated Cakes and Cupcakes

Overall creativity and originality – Overall neatness, design, craftsmanship	40
Decoration – Appropriateness, borders, icing flowers/decorations and use of color	30
Techniques – Number of techniques, base icing and degree of difficulty	30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

### SECTION A – YOUTH DECORATED CAKES, CUPCAKES

Fun youth decorated classes – List age on entry tag

#### Class #

- 800. **First “thyme” cake, beach theme** (This class is for first time entrants in this division)
- 801. Cake, summer “thyme” fun inspired
- 802. Cupcakes, garden “thyme”

### SECTION B – BUTTERCREAM DECORATED CAKES

Thyme to pipe the fun with decorated cakes – Buttercream or traditional iced cakes

**Must be 80% buttercream decoration.**

Open to both youth and adults.

#### Class #

- 803. **First “thyme” decorated cake, buttercream** (This class is for first time entrants in this division)

#### Party thyme fun, buttercream

- 804. Kitchen inspired
- 805. Tie-dye
- 806. Unicorn

#### Recipe for a romantic wedding, buttercream

- 807. Rustic inspired wedding cake decorated with buttercream icing, must be at least two tiers (stacked or pillared)

## **SECTION C – ROLLED FONDANT DECORATED CAKES**

**Thyme to roll out the fun with decorated cakes** - rolled fondant icing

Open to both youth and adults.

**Class #**

- 820. First “thyme” decorated cake, rolled fondant** (This class is for first time entrants in this division)

**Party fun thyme, rolled fondant**

- 821. Kitchen inspired
- 822. Tie-dye
- 823. Unicorn

**Recipe for a romantic wedding, rolled fondant**

824. Rustic inspired wedding cake decorated with rolled fondant, must be at least two tiers (stacked or pillared)

## **SECTION D – DECORATED CUPCAKES**

**Thyme for Fun cupcake classes (buttercream or rolled fondant), plate of 6**

Open to both youth and adults

**Class #**

- 830. First “thyme” cupcake entry** (This class is for first time entrants in this division)

**Thyme for cupcake fun**

- 831. Fruits and veggies inspired
- 832. Garden herb inspired
- 833. Harvest inspired
- 834. Tie-dye inspired

**Best of Division Ribbon – Division 302, Decorated Cakes**

Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.

**CULINARY CHALLENGE FROM TIMELESS TRADITIONS TO FUTURISTIC FUN  
RECIPES – Division 303  
2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!**

**PREMIUMS** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$14.00                      2<sup>nd</sup> - \$13.00                      3<sup>rd</sup> - \$12.00                      4<sup>th</sup> - \$11.00

**NEW CLASSES!**

Serving Size: 4

Except: cookies - plate of 9; muffins - plate of 6; rolls - plate of 6.

**Class #**

**Thyme for timeless fun food tradition**

All recipes for Thyme for timeless fun food tradition should be traditional recipes focusing on the time honored classic recipes.

- 850. Apple cider beverage, any recipe featuring apple cider (4 cups)
- 851. Baked beans
- 852. Bread pudding
- 853. Cabbage, any recipe featuring cabbage
- 854. Cookies, ice box
- 855. Cookies, molasses
- 856. Scalloped potatoes
- 857. Tater tot hot dish

**Thyme for futuristic fun food recipes**

All recipes for Thyme for futuristic fun food recipes should be a modern twist on the traditional. For these recipes, be sure to take the thyme to make all creations fun and futuristic.

- 858. Apple cider beverage, any recipe featuring apple cider (4 cups)
- 859. Baked beans
- 860. Bread pudding
- 861. Cabbage, any recipe featuring cabbage
- 862. Cookies, refrigerated ("ice box")
- 863. Cookies, molasses
- 864. Scalloped potatoes
- 865. Tater tot hot dish

**Best of Division Ribbon – Division 303, Culinary Challenge Day 2**

Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.

## **NEW! THYME FOR INSTANT FUN– Division 304**

**2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!**

**PREMIUMS** 1st - \$14.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$13.00

3<sup>rd</sup> - \$12.00

4<sup>th</sup> - \$11.00

### **NEW CLASSES!**

All entries must be prepared in an instant pot to serve 4

#### **Class #**

#### **Thyme for instant fun**

870. Breakfast

871. Dessert

872. Main dish entrée

### **Best of Division Ribbon – Division 304, Culinary Challenge Day 2**

Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.



Thyme for Fun continues on Culinary Days 3 & 4 contests, which are judged during the Fair, Friday, August 3 and Sunday, August 5, 2018. All new contests for 2018!

## **NATIONAL CONTESTS – Division 305**

**PREMIUMS** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$14.00      2<sup>nd</sup> - \$13.00      3<sup>rd</sup> - \$12.00      4<sup>th</sup> - \$11.00

All sponsor's rules must be followed.

The classes listed below will be judged on Saturday, July 28, 2018.

Two recipes needed. Both on 8 ½" x 11" paper, one with name, address and phone number on front of the recipe.

### **Class #**

- 880. SPAM®, The Great American SPAM® Championship – Adult ages 18 and older
- 881. SPAM®, The Great American SPAM® Championship – Kids ages 7-17

### **Best of Division – Division 305, National Contests**

Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.

# THE GREAT AMERICAN SPAM® CHAMPIONSHIP

## 2018 Theme: Hawaii and Island-Inspired Recipes

Two Categories: 1 for Adults - 1 for Kids

(Adults: Ages 18 & Up, Kid Chefs: Ages 7-17)

1. Local SPAM® Champion Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$150; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$50; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$25 (Adults)
2. Local SPAM® Kid Chef Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$60; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$30; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$10 (Kids)

Two National Grand Prizes:

1. National SPAM® Champion Grand Prize: A Trip for Two to the 2019 Waikiki SPAM JAM® Festival in Hawaii Valued at \$3,000 (Adult Grand Prize)\*;
2. National “SPAM® Kid Chef of the Year” Grand Prize: \$2,000 cash prize

### Score Card for The Great American SPAM® Championship

Appearance	10
Creativity	30
Easiness	30
Taste	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

### Contest Rules:

- Make any entry inspired by Hawaii, luaus, tiki parties, or island life in general. Anything tropical goes. Use at least one 12-ounce can of SPAM® products any variety (Classic, Lite, Less Sodium, Hot & Spicy, or other) and up to 10 other ingredients. (Salt, pepper, cooking oil/butter, water and garnishes do NOT count. Packaged items such as pre-made dough, jarred sauces, salad mixes, and other timesavers count as one/individual ingredient each.)
- Judging Criteria is to emphasize the 2018 theme and prioritize taste (overall flavor appeal and SPAM® product presence), creativity (how unique, imaginative, or trendy it is); and easiness (how simple and quick-to-make it is).
- Recipes should be named, original, unpublished, the sole property of entrant, and not used for another contest.
- Submit your entry with a clear/typed recipe (illegible recipes may be disqualified), a product label and your contact information. One entry per person.
- No SPAM® recipe contest 1st place winners from any fair in 2017 are eligible to win in 2018, nor are those who have won 1st place three or more times.
- All winning recipes become the property of Hormel Foods Sales, LLC, which has the right to publish or advertise the recipes and contestants without compensation.
- Judges are chosen by the fair; their decisions are final. Hormel Foods is not responsible for lost recipes, nor is the fair.
- All winners are required to sign a release provided by Hormel Foods. Winner awards will not be distributed until their releases are received.

- All contestants including fair winners, finalists and the national grand-prize winners shall not make any public appearances or give any interviews associated with this competition without the permission of Hormel Foods or the Blue Ribbon Group.
- Taxes on the prizes are the responsibility of the winner.
- Employees of Hormel Foods Corporation, its affiliates, subsidiaries and families of each are not eligible to participate.

## **National Judging & Grand Prizes:**

- Fair contest supervisors forward 1st place winning recipes for national grand prize judging for both Adult and Kid Chef categories. Hormel Foods' Test Kitchens judge recipes on the above criteria. Their decisions are final.
- For the National SPAM® Champion Grand Prize (adult: age 18 & up) one national grand-prize winner will be selected out of all 26 1<sup>st</sup> place recipes. He/she will receive a voucher to cover \$3,000 in travel costs (airfare, hotel and food) for the 2019 Waikiki SPAM JAM® Festival in Hawaii. The national grand-prize winner may elect to accept a \$3,000 cash prize instead of the trip (ARV \$3,000).
- One National SPAM® Kid Chef of the Year (kid chef: age 7 to 17) will be selected out of all 26 1<sup>st</sup> place recipes and he/she will receive a \$2,000 cash prize (ARV \$2,000).
- Both grand-prize winners will be notified by phone no later than Feb. 28, 2019. If Hormel Foods is unable to reach the grand-prize winners within 10 days of notification, an alternate may be selected. National winning recipes will be available by emailing [statefairteam@blueribbongroup.net](mailto:statefairteam@blueribbongroup.net) or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Blue Ribbon Group, c/o SPAM® Championship National Winner, 1120 South 2nd St #908, Minneapolis, MN 55415.

## **Class #**

- 880. The Great American SPAM® Championship – Adults ages 18 and older
- 881. The Great American SPAM® Championship – Kids ages 7-17



# 2018 GENERAL RULES – WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

## GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Wisconsin State Fair management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regards thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Wisconsin State Fair. It further reserves the right to determine unforeseen matters not covered by these rules, to amend or add to these rules as they, in their judgment, may deem advisable.

All exhibitors are expected to conform with the Wisconsin State Fair Rules and Regulations. Any person who violates any of the following of special rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the management may order. Failure to comply may result in award(s) and premium(s) forfeiture; and dismissal from the Fairgrounds, and being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation occurred and from all departments entered; and/or in future competition in the Wisconsin State Fair. In the event of conflict between the general rules and the special rules governing the various departments, the special rules will govern.

The following due process will be used in the questions of rule violation: The exhibitor and/or parties involved will be questioned by the Department Superintendent. If it is felt that a violation has occurred, the Department Superintendent will make a ruling. The ruling of the Department Superintendent will be final.

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Any correspondence should be addressed to: Wisconsin State Fair Park, 640 S 84 St, West Allis, WI 53214.

## ADMISSION TICKETS

See entry blank to order tickets. Ticket orders will be limited to 50 tickets per exhibitor.

## ENTRY QUESTIONS

For information and questions, please call the Entry Office at 414/313-2767.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Application for entries in all departments must be made on the printed entry blank and must be in full compliance with the printed instructions on same.

### **THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OF ENTRY FEES OR LATE FEES.**

Entries will be disqualified if not entered under the name of the person who made the article. All entries must be made by the exhibitor unless otherwise stated in the premium list. Violation of this rule will forfeit any premium awarded to such exhibitor in all departments at the Fair.

The Wisconsin State Fair management reserves the right at any time to refuse entries or articles entered.

Entry deadlines are specified under each department's rules.

Exhibits that have been erroneously entered in a division, and/or do not meet the specifications of the class can be transferred to a proper class or disqualified by the superintendent prior to judging. If such classes already have been judged, they shall not be reopened.

No employee of the Wisconsin State Fair, or member of his/her immediate family shall be allowed to exhibit in the department in which he/she is employed.

Any exhibitors' check(s) returned from a financial institution for any reason will be charged a \$20.00 service fee.

NOTE: Entry blanks will be returned if not filled out completely.

## **EXHIBIT RELEASE**

Exhibits will be released according to each department's regulations.

The Fair Director or his/her designee may change the time of release in any department at his/her discretion.

Competitive exhibits which have not been claimed by exhibitors by the Tuesday after the Fair, at 5:30 pm, will be disposed of by management as they see fit.

## **JUDGING OF EXHIBITS**

Judges have been carefully selected. All exhibitors submitting exhibits for the Fair accept these judges and agree to abide by their decisions.

The judging schedule is printed at the beginning of each department.

If any exhibitor attempts to interfere with the judge in any manner, the exhibitor shall forfeit all premiums awarded and will be excluded from further competition.

Judges will not be permitted to show in divisions they judge.

Unworthy exhibits will not be placed by the judge.

The decision of the judge will be final in all cases.

## **PREMIUMS OF AWARDS**

Premiums will be mailed around September 1, 2018.

In paying premiums no evidence of awards will be recognized except the signed Judging Sheets as ribbons frequently become misplaced.

All premium discrepancies must be mailed to Wisconsin State Fair no later than October 1, 2018. All exhibitors should contact the Wisconsin State Fair in writing at 640 S 84 St, West Allis, WI 53214. Please include your name, Dept., division, class and explain the discrepancy.

All checks are void one (1) year after they are issued. Any checks not cashed causes automatic forfeit of premiums won.

## **PROTESTS**

1. All protests must be made in writing, signed by party or parties making the protest and filed with the Director of Competitive Exhibits. All protests must be accompanied by a \$50.00 protest fee which will be retained by the Wisconsin State Fair if the protest is not sustained.
2. Protests against the exhibition of articles or person entering must be filed at least 12 hours before the awards are made. The exhibitor will then be disqualified from entering the Wisconsin State Fair for the following two years if they violate any general or special rules which govern the exhibits.
3. Protest against awards must be filed with the superintendent within 5 hours after the award has been made. An award is deemed to have been made when the notation of the decision is entered on the official judging sheets. The protest must state plainly and specifically the facts upon which the complaint of appeal is based. The right to appeal will lie when it is charged that the award has been made in violation of the rules governing the exhibit. No protest or appeal based upon the statement that the judge or judges are incompetent or have overlooked an article will be considered.
4. All protests will be considered at a time set by the Director of Competitive Exhibits. Parties involved and if necessary, persons as designated by the Director of Competitive Exhibits will be notified and given the opportunity to submit evidence before a final decision is made. All decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

## **LIABILITY**

The Wisconsin State Fair will take reasonable precaution to protect the safety of the exhibits sent to the Fair, but owners themselves take the risk of exhibiting them, and should any exhibit or portion thereof be injured, damaged, lost or stolen, State Fair Park personnel will give assistance toward recovery of the same, but will not be liable or make any payment for the value thereof.

Neither the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin State Fair Park, its agents or employees shall be liable for any loss to an exhibitor occasioned by fire, accident, condition of structure, or damage caused by weather to any exhibit, article, equipment or commercial exhibit left in the building or on the grounds after the close of the Fair.

Exhibitors and/or machinery, while stationary or in motion, and any other exhibits or equipment which may cause accidents, injury or damage to persons or property coming in contact with or in proximity to them, shall guard their exhibits or machinery, and protect the public from coming in contact therewith at all times while on the Fairgrounds, and every such exhibitor or owners shall indemnify the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board, its agents and employees from and against claims and demands, costs, charges and expenses which it or they might incur, suffer or be put to by reason of failure to take the precaution above referred to or failure to comply with Wisconsin State Fair Park rules, policies or directives. Liability insurance to comply with indemnity provisions is required. Presentation of an exhibitors' receipt shall be deemed acceptance of this provision.