



## **Home, Farm & Garden Information Catalog**

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# **HOME, FARM AND GARDEN DEPARTMENT**

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## **RULES**

- Review the 2023 catalog changes: Decorated cake classes have been eliminated!
- Exhibits must be tagged **BEFORE** registration. For your convenience, printable entry tags are available on our website. Tags may also be picked up at the Madison Extension Office prior to registration. Please make sure tags are placed on your items to enable them to be folded over to hide your name during judging, then opened after judging to allow all to see your great work! Please do not tape tags shut!

**Registration** will be held **between 4 pm and 7 pm on Tuesday, July 11**, at the Picnic Shelter on the Fairgrounds. Items will not be accepted after registration closes. **Please make sure your items are securely tagged BEFORE coming to registration.**

1. General Rules and Regulations of the Madison County Fair apply where applicable.
2. The rules outlined in this document apply to all sections of the Home, Farm and Garden Department. **Read carefully and follow all rules for all sections.** Please pay attention to the numbers listed in this catalog and not a catalog from a previous year or another fair.
3. Exhibitors may enter only one entry per class.
4. Exhibits are permitted from residents outside of Madison County.
5. Age divisions are (as of September 30<sup>th</sup> of the Fair year):
  - Youth 5 - 8 (no exhibitors under age 5)

- Junior Youth: ages 9 - 13
- Senior Youth: ages 14 - 19
- Adult: over age 19
- Senior Citizen: any participant 65 or over not wishing to be judged in the Adult Division
- Special Citizens: any mentally or physically challenged participant of any age.

6. For Junior and Senior Youth exhibitors, there will be an entry fee assessed as follows:

<b>ENTRY FEE</b>	
<b># of Entries</b>	<b>Fee</b>
1 – 3	\$1.00
4 – 6	\$2.00
7 – 9	\$3.00
10 – 12	\$4.00
13 or more	\$5.00

*\* Regardless of Section/Class*

7. Entry Fees are payable during registration. Checks should be made payable to the **Madison County Fair Board**. There will be no fee for Youth 5 - 8, Adults, Senior Citizens, or Special Citizens, except for special contests (see individual contest rules).

8. Premiums will be paid to Junior and Senior Youth participants only. Premiums will be:

<b>PREMIUM AWARDS</b>	
\$5.00	Best in Show
\$3.00	Blue Ribbon
\$1.00	Red Ribbon

9. No premiums will be paid for entries placing below a Red Ribbon. Ribbon Awards are as follows:

<b>RIBBON AWARDS</b>	
✓	<b>Best in Show</b> – Selected from all Blue Ribbon awards; best entry in each age group.
✓	<b>Blue</b> – Above average; exceeds standards; best quality and represents the greatest workmanship.
✓	<b>Red</b> – Average; meets standard.

10. The **Home, Farm and Garden Exhibit Center** will be cleared of all unofficial people during judging. The building will be open to the public during designated times only for security purposes.
11. All exhibits must have been completed and/or prepared by the exhibitor since the previous fair. Youth 5 - 8, Junior Youth, and Special Citizens may receive assistance with their entries, but the work must be mostly their own.
12. There will be a host/hostess on duty in the building at all times. They are available to answer questions about exhibits and for security purposes.
13. **Registration** will be held between **4:00 PM and 7:00 PM on Tuesday, July 11 at the picnic shelter on the fair grounds. No items will be accepted after registration closes.**
14. **Exhibits must be picked up between 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM on Sunday, July 16, or 9:00 AM and 11 AM on Monday, July 17.** Exhibits may not be removed earlier-exhibitors doing so will automatically forfeit all premium money and prizes won. If you are personally unable to pick up your item(s), please plan with a relative/friend/neighbor to retrieve the item(s) for you. **Entries not removed by 11:00 AM on July 17th will become the property of the Madison County Fair.**
15. Any youth with twelve (12) or more entries in the Home, Farm and Garden Department will receive a free Madison County Fair T-shirt and weeklong entry pass **unless** the exhibitor has already received a week's pass from another department.
16. A Best of Show exhibit may be chosen from each division in each section from those receiving blue ribbons. Judges are not required to award blue ribbons or Best in Show prizes if they do not feel that they are deserved (see Judging Standards below).
17. Exhibitors are asked to fill out the Entry Form and exhibit tags provided in the catalog **before registration**. Forms and tags may be found online on the Madison County Fair's web site at [www.madisoncountyfairva.com](http://www.madisoncountyfairva.com) Entry tags will also be available for pick-up at the Madison County Extension Office. If tags are not completed prior to registration, exhibitors will be asked to return to their vehicles to do so.

## ***JUDGING STANDARDS FOR HOME, FARM AND GARDEN DEPARTMENT***

All items entered into the Fair will be judged on the following criteria:

- Appearance: presentation, cleanliness, neatness, and design
- Workmanship
- Suitability to category
- Suitability and/or creativity of materials used
- Level of effort or difficulty

The Madison County Fair uses the Danish system of judging. All entries will be judged against a standard of quality and creativity, and not against each other. The department judges are highly knowledgeable in their judging areas. The Blue Award is given to exhibitors exceeding the standard, and the Red Award is given to those meeting the standard, and the White Award is given to those who are below the standard. Judges are not required to give each award in a single category. Judges are allowed to give more than one award in a single category.

Individual sections will be judged on the following additional criteria:

### **ART WORK & CRAFTS**

- Design: composition and creativity
- Technique and use of materials

### **BAKED GOODS**

- Appearance
- Texture
- Flavor

### **CANNED GOODS**

- Uniformity of solids, consistency of liquids, and proportion of solids to liquids

### **FLOWERS, GARDEN, & FARM CROPS**

- Specimens: quality, freedom from injury/flaws
- Arrangements/displays: use of available products, appearance and presentation, use of color

### **NEEDLE ARTS, SEWING, & QUILTING**

- Design or pattern's relationship to shape and size of article, use of article
- Presentation
- Workmanship: stitches used, finished edges, suitability of materials to purpose

### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

- Composition
- Creativity of subject matter

## ***SECTION A: ART WORK***

### **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Entries must have been made or completed since the last Fair.
3. Please try to omit or cover up names on work.
4. All art work must be mounted, matted, or framed (***without glass; Plexiglas is acceptable***), except for work on canvas or three-dimensional pieces.
5. Construction paper and poster board are acceptable mounts or mats for youth entries. Adult entries must use mat board or frames.
6. Well-known characters such as Dora, Snoopy, Scooby Doo, etc., may not be used due to copyright restrictions.

#### **Oil Painting on Canvas**

- A-01 Oil Painting, Landscape
- A-02 Oil Painting, Seascape

A-03 Oil Painting, Portrait

A-04 Oil Painting, Still Life and Flowers

A-05 Exhibitor's Choice, Oil Painting

#### **Watercolor**

- A-06 Watercolor, Landscape
- A-07 Watercolor, Seascape
- A-08 Watercolor, Portrait

A-09 Watercolor, Still Life and Flowers

A-10 Exhibitor's Choice, Water Color

**Other Painting**

A-11 Exhibitor's Choice, Acrylic Painting

A-12 Acrylic Painting on Any Surface

A-13 Paint by Number

A-14 Sand Painting

A-15 Gouache Painting on Any Surface

A-16 Exhibitor's Choice, Painting

**Drawing**

A-17 Drawing, Pencil

A-18 Drawing, Charcoal

A-19 Drawing, Pastels and Chalk

A-20 Drawing, Pen and Ink

A-21 Drawing, Colored Pencil

A-22 Drawing, Crayon

A-23 Drawing, Marker

**Pottery & Ceramics**

A-24 Pottery from Wheel

A-25 Pottery, Handmade

A-26 Pottery, Mixed Techniques

A-27 Hand Painted Ceramic (only the decoration will be judged)

A-28 Ceramic, Glaze Technique

A-29 Ceramic from Mold, Glazed

A-30 Ceramic from Mold, Stained

**Other Artwork**

A-31 Stained Glass

A-32 Scratch Art

A-33 Cartooning

A-34 Sculpture

A-35 Decoupage

A-36 Papier Mache

A-37 Mixed Media Artwork

A-38 Collage

A-39 Faux Finish

A-40 Computer Generated Artwork

A-41 Poster/Ad

A-42 Abstract Design, Any Materials

A-43 Finger Painting (ages 5-8 only)

A-44 Any Textile

A-45 Exhibitor's Choice, 2D Artwork

A-46 Exhibitor's Choice, 3D Art Work

A-47 Barn Quilts

***We will no longer accept frames with glass. The heat and humidity in the Exhibit Center enhances the chances of frames separating and the glass breaking. This presents a danger to our judges, volunteers and visitors.***

# **SECTION AG: AGRICULTURAL FARM CROPS**

## **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. All crops must have been grown since the last Fair from the home or farm under the care of the person in whose name they are entered. For youth entries, a farm cared for by a relative is acceptable providing that the youth helped with the majority of planting, care, and harvesting. Items by a group must be entered under the group's name, not by a single person.
3. All items must have been grown or made since the previous Fair.
4. All loose grains must be cleaned and in a **clear plastic quart container**, mayonnaise or peanut butter preferred. All honey and sorghum must be in clear pint or quart jars and properly labeled.
5. Eggs (half dozen) should be submitted in egg cartons, big end up. Eggs will be judged on cleanliness, uniformity of size, and color. Exhibitors must be the primary caretaker of the bird(s) that produced the eggs.
6. All hay and straw must be submitted as one flake, tied. Whole bales will not be accepted.

### **Grains**

- AG-01 Barley, clear plastic quart jar
- AG-02 Corn, Shelled, clear plastic quart jar
- AG-03 Corn, Whole Ear
- AG-04 Corn, Indian, Whole Ear
- AG-05 Corn, Tallest Single Stalk
- AG-06 Corn, Six Stalks (tied together)
- AG-07 Oats, Spring, clear plastic quart jar
- AG-08 Oats, Winter, clear plastic quart jar
- AG-09 Rye, clear plastic quart jar
- AG-10 Soybeans, clear plastic quart jar
- AG-11 Wheat, clear plastic quart jar

### **Hay**

- AG-12 Alfalfa (not more than 10% grass)
- AG-13 Alfalfa mixture
- AG-14 Clover (not more than 10% grass)
- AG-15 Clover Mixture
- AG-16 Orchard Grass (not more than 10% legume)
- AG-17 Orchard Grass Mixture Timothy (not more than 10% legume)
- AG-18 All other mixtures

### **Eggs**

- AG-19 Eggs, Bantam
- AG-20 Eggs, Brown
- AG-21 Eggs, White
- AG-22 Eggs, Colored (Aracuana)
- AG-23 Egg, Oddity (single)
- AG-24 Egg, Other Fowl (single)

### **Straw**

- AG-25 Straw, Barley
- AG-26 Straw, Oat
- AG-27 Straw, Wheat

### **Other Farm Products**

- AG-28 Honey, pint or quart
- AG-29 Sorghum, pint or quart

# ***Section B: Baked Goods***

## **Section Rules**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Exhibitors must have foods on disposable plates and in plastic bags with twist ties or zipper type closures.
3. No mixes may be used in baked exhibits.

## **BISCUITS**

B-01 Sweet Milk Biscuits, plate of 3

B-02 Sweet Potato Biscuits, plate of 3

B-03 Exhibitor's Choice, plate of 3

## **MUFFINS**

B-04 Corn Muffins, plate of 3

B-05 Fruit Muffins, plate of 3

B-06 Exhibitor's Choice, plate of 3

## **BREADS and ROLLS**

B-07 White Yeast Bread, ½ loaf

B-08 Whole Grain Bread, ½ loaf

B-09 Quick Bread, Zucchini, ½ loaf

B-10 Quick Bread, Banana, ½ loaf

B-11 Dinner Roll, plate of 3

B-12 Exhibitor's Choice, ½ loaf

## **PIES**

B-13 Apple, Double Crust, ¼ pie on plate

B-14 Pecan, ¼ pie on plate

B-15 Cherry, ¼ pie on plate

B-16 Blueberry, ¼ pie on plate

B-17 Peach, ¼ pie on plate

B-18 Exhibitor's Choice, ¼ pie on plate (No cream pies, please)

## **COOKIES**

B-19 Oatmeal, plate of 3

B-20 Chocolate Chip, plate of 3

B-21 Peanut Butter, plate of 3

B-22 Drop Cookies, plate of 3

- B-23 Bar Cookies, plate of 3
- B-24 Brownies, plate of 3
- B-25 Exhibitor's Choice Cookie, plate of 3

**Cakes**

- B-26 Chocolate Cake, ¼ cake
- B-27 Vanilla Cake, ¼ cake
- B-28 Carrot Cake, ¼ cake
- B-29 Coffee Cake, ¼ cake
- B-30 Exhibitor's Choice Cake, ¼ cake

**GIFTS in a JAR** (Decorated and recipe attached!)

- B-31 Cookie Mix in a Jar
- B-32 Cake Mix in a Jar
- B-33 Soup Mix in a Jar
- B-34 Snack/Trail Mix in a Jar
- B-35 Beverage Mix in a Jar (Hot or Cold)
- B-36 Exhibitor's Choice in a Jar

**Exhibitor's Choice**

- B-37 Exhibitor's Choice Dessert (Nothing that needs to be refrigerated, please!)

## ***SECTION CN: FOOD PRESERVATION / CANNING***

**SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. To be eligible for judging, entries must be in regulation canning jars with a two-piece vacuum seal lid. **(Please remove rings for judging!)**
3. No food coloring is allowed.
4. Product must have been preserved since the last Fair by the entrant.
5. Youth exhibitors may receive assistance from adults, but the work must be mostly their own.

**Pickles**

- CN-01 Pickles, Bread and Butter
- CN-02 Pickles, Dill
- CN-03 Pickles, Sweet Cucumber
- CN-04 Pickles, Watermelon Rind
- CN-05 Pickled Beets
- CN-06 Relish, any flavor

CN-07 Exhibitor's Choice, Pickle

**Vegetables**

- CN-08 Beans, Dill Green
- CN-09 Beans, String
- CN-10 Beets
- CN-11 Carrots

CN-12 Corn

CN-13 Peas

CN-14 Salsa

CN-15 Tomato, Juice

CN-16 Tomato Sauce

CN-17 Tomatoes, Whole

CN-18 Exhibitor's Choice, Vegetable



## **Fruits**

CN-19 Apples  
CN-20 Applesauce  
CN-21 Cherries  
CN-22 Grape  
Juice  
CN-23 Peaches  
CN-24 Pears  
CN-25 Exhibitor's Choice, Fruit

## **Jams, Jellies & Preserves**

CN-26 Apple  
Butter  
CN-27 Marmalade  
CN-28 Jam,  
Blackberry  
CN-29 Jam, Blueberry  
CN-30 Jam, Cherry  
CN-31 Jam, Grape  
CN-32 Jam, Peach  
CN-33 Jam, Plum  
CN-34 Jam, Raspberry  
CN-35 Jam,  
Strawberry  
CN-36 Jam, Exhibitor's  
Choice  
CN-37 Jelly, Apple

CN-38 Jelly,  
Cherry  
CN-39 Jelly,  
Grape  
CN-40 Jelly,  
Strawberry  
CN-41 Jelly,  
Pepper  
CN-42 Jelly, Exhibitor's  
Choice  
CN-43 Preserves,  
Blackberry  
CN-44 Preserves, Cherry  
CN-45 Preserves, Peach  
CN-46 Preserves,  
Strawberry  
CN-47 Preserves,  
Exhibitor's  
Choice

## **Peppers**

CN-48 Peppers,  
Hot  
CN-49 Peppers,  
Sweet  
CN-50 Exhibitor's Choice

## **Sauces**

CN-51 Bar-B-Que  
CN-52  
Catsup  
CN-53  
Spaghetti  
CN-54  
Exhibitors  
Choice

# SECTION CR: CRAFTS

## SECTION RULES

1. All general rules apply.
2. Entries must have been made or completed since the last Fair.
3. Please try to omit or cover up names on work.
4. For **CR-62** and **CR-63** indicate what it is made from and its purpose.
5. **Because of the potential for injury to our judges, volunteers and visitors, no glass will be accepted in projects.**

CR-01 Artificial Flower Arrangement	CR-27 Dream Catcher	CR-55 Pipe Cleaner/Bendy Creation
CR-02 Basket, Exhibitor's Choice	CR-28 Duct tape craft	CR-56 Placemat
CR-03 Beaded Craft (not jewelry)	CR-29 Eggs, Decorated	CR-57 Poem, Original
CR-04 Bible School or Camp Craft	CR-30 Felted item	CR-58 Popsicle Stick Craft
CR-05 Birdhouse, Decorated	CR-31 Finger-Knitted item	CR-59 Polymer clay craft
CR-06 Blanket, Fleece (Fringed, Tied, knotted – no sew)	CR-32 Flower Pot, Decorated	CR-60 Puppet, Handmade
CR-07 Book, Handmade	CR-33 Foam Craft	CR-61 Purse, not sewn
CR-08 Bookmark, Decorated	CR-34 Hair accessory	CR-62 Recycled Item, Decorative
CR-09 Bulletin Board	CR-35 Holiday Craft (not a tree ornament)	CR-63 Recycled Item, Functional
CR-10 Candle, Embellished	CR-36 Jewelry, handmade	CR-64 School Project (any)
CR-11 Candle, Handmade	CR-37 Jewelry, rubber band	CR-65 Scrapbook, Any Subject
CR-12 Card, Computer Generated Greeting	CR-38 Keychain	CR-66 Scrapbook, Single Page
CR-13 Card, Handmade Greeting	CR-39 Latch Hook, Any Item	CR-67 Short Story, Original, 250 words or less
CR-14 Collection of Typical Items Found at a Fair (up to 8)	CR-40 Leather Craft	CR-68 Stamped Item
CR-15 Collection, Hobby (8 Items or 18"x 8" Box Display)	CR-41 Lego Creation from Kit	CR-69 Stenciled Item
CR-16 Collection, Insects (labeled)	CR-42 Lego Creation Original Design	CR-70 String Art
CR-17 Collection, Leaves (labeled)	CR-43 Macramé	CR-71 Stuffed Animal, Handmade
CR-18 Collection, Rocks (labeled)	CR-44 Magnet	CR-72 Sun catcher
CR-19 Craft from a Kit	CR-45 Mobile	CR-73 Tin Punch
CR-20 Diorama	CR-46 Model (Airplane, Car, Etc.)	CR-74 Weaving
CR-21 Doll House	CR-47 Model Rocket	CR-75 Woodworking, Birdhouse (not from a kit)
CR-22 Doll, Apple Face	CR-48 Nature Craft--anything made from nature	CR-76 Woodworking, Exhibitor's Choice
CR-23 Doll, Cloth	CR-49 Ornament, Tree	CR-77 Wreath, Decorated (homemade or purchased wreath)
CR-24 Doll, Corn Shuck	CR-50 Paper Craft, any type	CR-78 Wreath, Handmade
CR-25 Doll, from kit	CR-51 Paperweight	CR-79 4-H Educational Exhibit
CR-26 Doll, Porcelain	CR-52 Pen/Pencil Holder	CR-80 Exhibitor's Choice Craft
	CR-53 Picture Frame, decorated (homemade or purchased frame)	
	CR-54 Picture Frame, handmade	

### *Enhance your collections*

- Appropriately display your collections in nicely chosen boxes or display case.
- Label as appropriate and per instructions.
- All LEGO creations **must** be in a box and secured with temporary glue.



# **SECTION DC: DECORATED & EMBELLISHED CLOTHING**

## **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Articles must be the work of the person in whose name they are entered and must have been made or completed since the last Fair.
3. Entries are judged on design, appearance, color, workmanship, and suitability of materials.
4. Only one entry per exhibitor per class.
5. Only the decoration of the entries will be judged, not the construction. Clothing/accessories may be purchased.
6. Article of Clothing is defined as shirt, sweatshirt, vest, dress, pants/jeans/shorts, etc.
7. Accessory is defined as shoes, purse, shawl/wrap, hair accessory, etc.

DC-01 Appliqué (iron-on) Decorated  
Accessory

DC-02 Appliqué (iron-on) Decorated  
Article of Clothing

DC-03 Appliqué (sewn-on)  
Decorated Accessory

DC-04 Appliqué (sewn-on)  
Decorated Article of Clothing

DC-05 Costume, Decorated or

Embellished

DC-06 Hand Painted Accessory

DC-07 Hand Painted Article of  
Clothing

DC-08 Mixed Technique, Decorated  
Accessory

DC-09 Mixed Technique, Decorated  
Article of Clothing

DC-10 Puff Paint Decorated

Accessory

DC-11 Puff Paint Decorated Article of  
Clothing

DC-12 Tie Dyed Accessory

DC-13 Tie Dyed Article of Clothing

DC-14 Exhibitor's Choice Decorated  
or Embellished Item

# SECTION F: FLOWERS

## SECTION RULES

1. All general rules apply.
2. Entries must have been grown in the current year by the exhibitor and must have been in the exhibitor's possession at least 30 days, if not longer.
3. Specimens (single or multiple) must be in **transparent plastic soft drink containers and in water**. *If using a 1- or 2-liter plastic bottle, please add stones or small rocks in the bottom for stability. Make sure your container is large enough for your display. **NO GLASS will be accepted, except for Arrangements (F-52 through F-60). Items not in compliance will be rejected at registration.***
4. Only one entry per exhibitor per class.
5. No auxiliary foliage is permitted in the single specimen categories.
6. For youth to enter, they must have helped with most of the planting and care.

## Potted Plants

- F-01 African Violet, miniature
- F-02 African Violet, standard
- F-03 Dish Garden, Indoor
- F-04 Dish Garden, Outdoor
- F-05 Flowering Potted Begonia
- F-06 Houseplant, Flowering Type
- F-07 Houseplant, Foliage Type
- F-08 Potted Cactus
- F-09 Potted Fern
- F-10 Potted Geranium
- F-11 Terrarium
- F-12 Exhibitor's Choice, Potted Plant

## Annuals

- F-13 Celosias
- F-14 Cosmos
- F-15 Geranium (specimen)
- F-16 Marigold
- F-17 Petunia
- F-18 Salvia
- F-19 Zinnia
- F-20 Exhibitor's Choice, Annual

## Bulbs

- F-21 Dahlia
- F-22 Gladiolus
- F-23 Lily, Asiatic
- F-24 Lily, Oriental
- F-25 Exhibitor's Choice, Bulb

## Roses

- F-26 Pink Variety
- F-27 Red Variety
- F-28 White Variety
- F-29 Yellow Variety
- F-30 Other Color Variety
- F-31 Miniature Variety
- F-32 Multi-colored Variety
- F-33 Collection of 3 Stems, single variety

## Perennials

- F-34 Coneflower
- F-35 Daisy, Gerbera
- F-36 Daisy, white
- F-37 Phlox
- F-38 Rudbeckia (Brown-Eyed Susan)
- F-39 Scabiosa
- F-40 Sunflower
- F-41 Yarrow
- F-42 Exhibitor's Choice, Everlasting
- F-43 Exhibitor's Choice, Perennial

## Flowering Shrubs

- F-44 Butterfly Bush, collection of 3 stems, single variety
- F-45 Butterfly Bush, single specimen
- F-46 Crepe Myrtle
- F-47 Hibiscus
- F-48 Hydrangea

## Sunflowers

- F-49 Sunflower, Largest Head
- F-50 Sunflower, Specimen
- F-51 Sunflower, Tallest Stalk

## Arrangements

- F-52 Madison's Natural Beauty - An arrangement of wildflowers found in Madison County
- F-53** Fairy Garden, not to exceed 24"x24"
- F-54 Arrangement in a recycled container
- F-55 Dried Flower Wreath
- F-56 Dried Flower Arrangement
- F-57 A Celebration of Color - A mass arrangement judged on color use, complementation, overall appearance, flower types, and texture
- F-58** Fresh arrangement, under 6" in either direction
- F-59** Fresh arrangement, 6"-18" in either direction
- F-60** Fresh arrangement, over 18" in either direction

### Madison Garden Club Award

Judges will select a winner from each of the following categories:

- Junior Youth Best in Horticulture
- Senior Youth Best in Horticulture
- Junior Youth Best in Design (arrangement)
- Senior Youth Best in Design (arrangement)

# **SECTION G: GARDEN CROPS**

## **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Entries must be homegrown and ripe or edible.
3. Entries are to be brought on **white** paper plates.
4. Entries will be judged on the Danish System.
5. Garden exhibits will be judged on quality, freedom from injury, and attractive appearance.
6. For youth to enter, they must have helped with most of the planting, care, and harvesting.
7. Items by a group must be entered under the group's name, not by single person.

## **Vegetables**

- G-01 Beets, 3 specimens
- G-02 Beans, Green, 6 specimens
- G-03 Beans, Lima, 6 specimens
- G-04 Beans, other variety, 6 specimens
- G-05 Broccoli, one head
- G-06 Cabbage, one head
- G-07 Carrots, 6 specimens
- G-08 Corn, 3 ears half shucked
- G-09 Cucumbers, 3 specimens
- G-10 Eggplant, 3 specimens
- G-11 Garlic, 3 bulbs
- G-12 Okra, 3 specimens
- G-13 Onions, 3 specimens
- G-14 Peppers, Hot, 3 specimens

- G-15 Peppers, Sweet, 3 specimens
- G-16 Potatoes, Red 3 specimens
- G-17 Potatoes, White, 3 specimens
- G-18 Potatoes, Yellow, 3 specimens
- G-19 Squash, Yellow 3 specimens
- G-20 Tomatoes, Cherry or Grape, 3 specimens
- G-21 Tomatoes, Red, 3 specimens
- G-22 Tomatoes, other variety, 3 specimens
- G-23 Zucchini, 3 Specimens
- G-24 Vegetable Basket: display of at least five varieties, three of each kind
- G-25 Exhibitor's Choice, Vegetable

## **Fruits**

- G-26 Berries (not wild)
- G-27 Cantaloupe
- G-28 Watermelon
- G-29 Exhibitor's Choice, Fruit

## **Herbs**

- G-30 Basil
- G-31 Chives
- G-32 Dill
- G-33 Mint
- G-34 Oregano
- G-35 Parsley
- G-36 Rosemary
- G-37 Sage
- G-38 Thyme
- G-39 Exhibitor's Choice Herb
- G-40 Herb Display

## **Other Garden Crops**

- G-41 Oddity (natural): unusual size, deformed or rare to this community
- G-42 Largest Cabbage
- G-43 Largest Watermelon
- G-44 Largest Zucchini
- G-45 Heirloom

# **SECTION NA: NEEDLE ARTS**

## **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Entries must have been made or completed since the last Fair.
3. For non-clothing items, presentation will be considered during judging.
4. **NO GLASS will be accepted, plexiglass is okay.**

### **Crocheted**

- NA-01 Crocheted Afghan
- NA-02 Crocheted Baby Item
- NA-03 Crocheted Doily
- NA-04 Crocheted Hat
- NA-05 Crocheted Scarf
- NA-06 Scarf, Crocheted with Novelty Yarn
- NA-07 Exhibitor's Choice, Crocheted Item

### **Needlepoint**

- NA-08 Needlepoint, Original Art
- NA-09 Needlepoint, from Kit
- NA-10 Needlepoint, Pre-worked Center
- NA-11 Needlepoint, from Graph
- NA-12 Needlepoint, Footstool or Chair Seat
- NA-13 Exhibitor's Choice, Needlepoint

### **Counted Cross Stitch**

- NA-14 Counted Cross Stitch, Worked from Kit
- NA-15 Counted Cross Stitch, 11-18 Count Cloth
- NA-16 Counted Cross Stitch, 22-32 Count Cloth
- NA-17 Counted Cross Stitch, Christmas Item
- NA-18 Counted Cross Stitch, Perforated Paper
- NA-19 Exhibitor's Choice, Counted Cross Stitch

### **Knitting**

- NA-20 Knitted Sweater
- NA-21 Knitted Afghan
- NA-22 Knitted Baby Item
- NA-23 Knitted Hat
- NA-24 Knitted Scarf
- NA-25 Scarf, Knitted w/ Novelty Yarn
- NA-26 Exhibitor's Choice, Knitted Item

### **Embroidery**

- NA-27 Embroidered Table Item
- NA-28 Combination of Embroidery Stitches
- NA-29 Exhibitor's Choice Crewel Embroidery
- NA-30 Exhibitor's Choice, Embroidery
- NA-31 Exhibitor's Choice, Machine Embroidery

### **Other Needle Arts**

- NA-32 Plastic Canvas
- NA-33 Any Framed Needle Art
- NA-34 Any Tatted Item
- NA-35 Any Smocked Item
- NA-36 Exhibitor's Choice, NeedleArt
- NA-37 Loom Knitting

# SECTION P: PHOTOGRAPHY

## SECTION RULES

1. All general rules apply.
2. Photos must have been taken since the last Fair.
3. Photos may be from digital or film cameras.
4. Only one entry per exhibitor per class. Due to space restrictions, exhibitors will be limited to **15** entries in this section.
5. Except for class P-13, photos must be mounted on a piece of WHITE poster board, illustration board, or mat board, with a margin of one to two inches all around. **Photos may not be in frames and Foam Board will not be accepted.** Photos mounted incorrectly will not be judged.
6. Photos may be color or black & white, and will be judged together in classes, except where designated.
7. Acceptable photo sizes range from 3.5 x 5 to 8 x 12, or a panoramic shot. Entries for P-21 may not exceed 12 x 16 inches in total size.

P-01 Action Shot

P-02 Animal, Pet or Livestock

P-03 Animal, Wildlife

P-04 Building, Architecture

P-05 Close-up

P-06 Extreme Close-up (hard to tell,  
what is it?)

P-07 Computer Enhanced/  
Altered Photo

P-08 Farm Scene or Activity

P-09 Funny

P-10 Garden or Flowers

P-11 Landscape

P-12 Madison County Life

P-13 Matted Photo, you choose color  
& cut

P-14 Patriotic

P-15 Any Portrait

P-16 Seascape/Seaside

P-17 Special Event (wedding,  
prom, graduation, etc.)

P-18 Sunrise/Sunset

P-19 Seasonal (from your favorite  
season)

**P-20** Selfie

P-21 Photo Montage

NTE 12 x 16 inches

P-22 Weather

P-23 Any Artistic Composition

P-24 Exhibitor's Choice, Black &  
White

P-25 Exhibitor's Choice, Color



# SECTION Q: QUILTS

**\*\* Classes have been updated for 2023. Classes were changed in 2022, and entries are grouped according to finished sizes. Entries are always judged against a standard, not against each other, so multiple techniques and styles can be entered in the same size category.\*\***

## **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Articles must be the work of the person in whose name they are entered. A group project (raffle quilt, round robins) may be entered as long as it is entered in the name of a group or participants.
3. Quilt must have been completed in the past two years, but must not have been entered previously in this Fair.
4. Exhibitors may enter any number of items in each category (different from other Sections in the Home, Farm, & Garden Department), except for Q-05 Large Quilts, which is limited to two entries per person.
5. Entries are judged on design, appearance, workmanship, and suitability of materials.
6. **In addition to the standard entry tag information, all quilts MUST be labeled with: hand quilted by \_\_\_(name)\_\_\_, home machine quilted by \_\_\_(name)\_\_\_, OR commercially quilted by \_\_\_(name)\_\_\_ on the entry tag.**

Q-01 Small quilted projects - May include, but are not limited to the following:

Postcard                      Pillow                      Potholder                      Christmas item: stocking, ornament, tree skirt  
Table runner                      Name Badge                      Placemat

Q-02 Miniature quilts – not to exceed 25” on longest side

Q-03 Small quilts – 26” to 45” on longest side

Q-04 Medium quilts – 46” to 65” on longest side

Q-05 Large quilts – over 66” on longest side

**In addition to Best of Show awards for each age division, there will be special rosettes awarded for Best Use of Color/Design, Best Hand Quilted, Best Home Machine Quilted, Best Commercially Quilted, and Best Applique, chosen from all entries, as well as a Viewers’ Choice Award that visitors to the exhibit building will vote on during the fair. Best of Show and Viewers’ Choice Award winners will receive gift card awards. These special quilting awards are sponsored by the Madison Quilters Guild.**

# ***SECTION SW: SEWING AND CLOTHING***

## **SECTION RULES**

1. All general rules apply.
2. Articles exhibited must be sewn by the person in whose name they are entered and must have been made or completed since the last Fair.
3. Entries are judged on design, appearance, color, workmanship, and suitability of materials.
4. Only one entry per exhibitor per class.
5. Youth may receive assistance from adults, but the work must be mostly their own.

SW-01 Appliance CoverSW-02 Apron

SW-03 Bed/Crib & Pillow Set

SW-04 Beginner Item (must be one of first 3 items made)

SW-05 Blazer or JacketSW-06 Boxer Shorts

SW-07 Child's Garment

SW-08 Costume SW-SW-09 Doll Clothes

SW-10 Dress

SW-11 Flag or Banner

SW-12 Item made from recycled or repurposed cloth

SW-13 Jumper

SW-14 Large Handbag or Tote

SW-15 Laundry or Duffel Bag

SW-16 Man's Shirt

SW-17 Necktie

SW-18 Pajamas or

SW-19 Pillow

SW-20 Pot HolderSW-21 Purse

SW-22 Set of Placemats

SW-23 Sewn Christmas Ornament

SW-24 Skirt

SW-25 Slacks

SW-26 Special Occasion Outfit (prom, wedding, etc.)

SW-27 Suit

SW-28 Table Runner

SW-29 Vest

SW-30 Women's Shirt or Top

SW-31 Exhibitor's Choice Sewn  
Item

***Helpful Hints***

The Home, Farm & Garden staff and judges are eager to see the entries that you will submit for this year's Fair. We know that you put a lot of effort in creating and making items for the Fair. This section provides you with some suggestions for the display of your entries so that they "present well" and some suggestions on securing your entries so that small pieces are not lost.

- ✓ It is most important that you make sure you use the Fair Catalog with the current year's entry information. We continually make changes, so the section numbers may have changed from one year to another.
- ✓ **Please have all entry items (entry form and entry tags) completed before you arrive at the Fair Grounds.** This will make your time in line shorter, and give our volunteer staff more time to sort, arrange and display your items in the Exhibit Center. These items are available on-line at [www.madisoncountyfairva.com](http://www.madisoncountyfairva.com) or may be picked-up at the Madison County Extension Office.
- ✓ When using plastic containers for your entries (flowers, grains, etc.) make sure the containers are clean and all paper and glue has been removed. Do not use colored or tinted plastic containers.
- ✓ Consider covering an appropriately sized box with fabric as a background for mounting a key chain(s), jewelry item, collections or other craft item.
- ✓ We recognize that LEGO entries are very fragile. All LEGO entries **must** be in a box and secured with temporary glue so that it does not fall apart or pieces are not separated during moving. In addition, you may want to consider covering the opening of the box with plastic wrap.
- ✓ When submitting flowers in clear plastic soda bottles, please secure the stem with a cotton ball at the top. When using a 1- or 2-liter soda bottle, please add stones or rocks to be bottom for stability. That will help prevent the bottle from tipping over. Make sure your container is the appropriate size for your flower(s). Remember: **NO GLASS containers** (with the exception of Arrangements, classes F-52 through F-60)

