

# VEGETABLES, FRUIT & FIELD CROPS CATEGORIES

## VEGETABLE DEPARTMENT 15

1. Read General Rules and Static Exhibit Rules carefully.
2. Collections and displays **shall be set up only by the exhibitor.**
3. The number of specimens of each vegetable in a display must correspond with the number shown for the Lot. Exhibitors must have the Department Chairman check exhibit set-up.
4. All plate Lots must be **displayed on plain white paper plates**, with the exception of those Lots requiring jars filled with water.
5. **All vegetables must have been raised by the exhibitor.**
6. Exhibits should be uniform in size, free from blemishes, picked at the peak of perfection and stems trimmed neatly with a knife or scissors at the required length.
7. **Whenever possible, please state the variety or cultivar of your vegetables!** For example, Scarlet Nantes, Bolero, Nelson, etc.
8. As long as your articles for exhibit are of a different variety you may make more than one entry in any lot designated with an asterisk (\*) after the description. In the case of 3 or more exhibits of the same kind in a particular lot, a new lot will be formed.

### CLASS A

#### DISPLAY

**NOTE:** Score Card for Lots 01-06: Quality 50%, Arrangement 40%, Labels with Descriptions 10%.

- Lot 01.** Create a display in a 30"x30" space that looks as if you are about to make a salad with items you've just picked from your garden. Include at least 5 different salad vegetables. You must have a table covering. You may include a cutting board and salad bowl, but **not** the knife. **This may be entered as an individual, team or club display.**
- Lot 02.** Display, in a basket: 5 different varieties of the same kind of vegetable. See plate lots for required number of each kind, stem length, etc. You must include a card naming your varieties (For example: Tomatoes - Carmello, Brandywine, Italian Gold, etc.).
- Lot 03.** Collection of 3 or more varieties of the same herb. Each individual variety must have 5 stems placed in a glass jar or vase. Containers must match and they must be placed on a placemat or large cloth napkin. Your varieties must be labeled (For example: Basil - Fino Verde, Compatto, Napoletano, Maenglak Thai Lemon, etc.). Include a short description of each variety with its culinary or herbal uses.
- Lot 04.** Display of at least 6 major garden insect pests *or* diseases common to our area. With each insect or disease, state which vegetable it usually attacks and include the recommended control measure - organic or chemical. You may use photos instead of the actual insect or disease.
- Lot 05.** Create a display in a 30"x30" space presenting produce from your garden, using at least 7 different vegetables. Your display must include a table covering; baskets and other props are optional. See the plate lots for required number of each kind, stem length, etc. Artistic arrangement including height, depth, form and breadth is important. **This may be entered as an individual, team or club display.**
- Lot 06.** Make a container garden. You determine the size and what to plant in your container garden. The container will be judged on creativity and uniqueness.

#### PLATES - state variety

- Lot 07.** 15 pods green beans
- Lot 08.** 15 pods yellow beans
- Lot 09.** 15 pods purple beans
- Lot 10.** 5 beets, with stems cut one inch long
- Lot 11.** 2 heads broccoli
- Lot 12.** 2 heads cabbage
- Lot 13.** 5 carrots, with stems cut one inch long
- Lot 14.** 2 heads cauliflower
- Lot 15.** 2 bunches celery, in water
- Lot 16.** 5 ears sweet corn with husks, expose corn on part of one ear
- Lot 17.** 2 table (salad) cucumbers
- Lot 18.** 2 pickling cucumbers
- Lot 19.** 5 onions, with stems cut two inches long. Do not peel off outer skin!
- Lot 20.** 5 sweet peppers, stems trimmed ½ inch long
- Lot 21.** 5 hot peppers, 10 if small, stems trimmed ¼ to ½ inch long
- Lot 22.** 5 potatoes\*
- Lot 23.** 2 sugar pumpkins, with stems cut at least 2 inches long

## VEGETABLE DEPARTMENT 15 (continued)

### PLATES - state variety (continued)

- Lot 24.** 2 yellow summer squash, with stems cut one inch long  
**Lot 25.** 2 zucchini, with stems cut one inch long  
**Lot 26.** 2 winter squash (butternut, acorn, etc.), with stems cut one inch long\*. Different kinds will not be judged against each other, new lots will be formed.  
**Lot 27.** 5 green tomatoes, with stems trimmed neatly  
**Lot 28.** 5 red salad (mid-sized) tomatoes, with stems trimmed neatly  
**Lot 29.** 5 red beefsteak type (large) tomatoes, with stems trimmed neatly  
**Lot 30.** 5 red plum (paste) tomatoes, with stems trimmed neatly  
**Lot 31.** 5 heirloom tomatoes (shape & color will vary), stems trimmed neatly  
**Lot 32.** 10 cherry tomatoes, stems trimmed neatly, or displayed as an entire cluster on the vine  
**Lot 33.** Tomatoes not listed above - 5 or 10 depending on size  
**Lot 34.** 1 large ripe watermelon  
**Lot 35.** 2 small ripe watermelons  
**Lot 36.** 2 muskmelons or cantaloupe  
**Lot 37.** 2 swiss chard or pak choi, including leaves and stems in water  
**Lot 38.** 10 radishes  
**Lot 39.** 2 eggplants, stems cut neatly one inch long  
**Lot 40.** Any other vegetable not listed (such as rutabaga, parsnips, okra, Brussels sprouts, etc.). Show 2, 5 or 10 depending on size. Note: gourds are exhibited in the Field Crops Department.  
**Lot 41.** Oddities (vegetables with unusual shapes, colors or other abnormalities)  
**Lot 42.** Ugliest vegetable! (Must not have any rotting parts)

### HERBS

- Lot 43.** 5 stems of the same herb in water. Please label.  
**Lot 44.** Collection of 5 different herbs. One stem of each all in the same container. Please label.  
**Lot 45.** Challenge Lot, see the Challenge Lots section.

### PREMIUMS

	<b>First</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Third</b>
Lots 01, 05	15 PTS	11 PTS	7.5 PTS
Lots 02-04, 06	10 PTS	7 PTS	5 PTS
Lot 07-45	4 PTS	3 PTS	2 PTS

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## FRUIT DEPARTMENT 35

1. Read General Rules and Static Exhibit Rules carefully.
2. Collections and displays shall be set up only by the exhibitor.
3. The number of specimens of each fruit in a display must correspond with the number shown for the Lot. Exhibitors must have the Department Chairmen check the exhibit set-up.
4. All Plate Lots must be displayed on plain white paper plates.
5. All fruits must have been raised by the exhibitor with the exception of wild small fruits and nuts which must have been collected by the exhibitor.
6. Exhibits should be uniform, free from blemishes and picked at the peak of perfection.
7. Whenever possible, please state the variety or cultivar of your fruit on a 3x5 card.
8. You may make more than one entry per Lot, as long as the entries are of a different variety. In the case of 3 or more exhibits of the same kind in a particular lot, a new lot will be formed.

### CLASS A

#### PLATES - state variety

- Lot 01.** Apples, plate of 5  
**Lot 02.** Crab apples, plate of 10  
**Lot 03.** Pears, plate of 5

#### PLATES - state variety (continued)

- Lot 04.** Peaches, plate of 5  
**Lot 05.** Plums, 10 specimens  
**Lot 06.** Grapes, 3 clusters  
**Lot 07.** Quinces, plate of 5  
**Lot 08.** Nectarines, plate of 5

#### SMALL FRUIT, 1/2 pint boxes - state variety

- Lot 09.** Blueberries  
**Lot 10.** Raspberries  
**Lot 11.** Any other small fruit

#### NUTS - state type

The outer coverings must be opened on one to expose the nutmeat inside.

- Lot 12.** One pint of nuts (for example: walnuts, butternuts, chestnuts or others)

#### COLLECTION OF 3 PLATES - state variety

- Lot 13.** 5 peaches of each variety  
**Lot 14.** Grapes, 3 clusters of each variety  
**Lot 15.** 5 pears of each variety  
**Lot 16.** 5 apples of each variety  
**Lot 17.** 10 plums of each variety

#### DISPLAYS

- Lot 18.** Display at least 3 kinds of homegrown fruit decoratively arranged in an appropriate container such as a basket or bowl. You must have 3-5 of each kind; include a card with varieties stated.
- Lot 19.** Display a basket of fruit that could be used as a centerpiece but is still functional. Include a note card about each type of fruit that you used in the centerpiece.
- Lot 20.** Poster display (Pruning trees, grafting, diseases of fruits, historical, heirloom varieties, etc.).

### PREMIUMS

	<b>First</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Third</b>
Lot 01-12	4 PTS	3 PTS	2 PTS
Lot 13-17	8 PTS	6 PTS	4 PTS
Lot 18-20	12 PTS	9 PTS	6 PTS

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## FIELD CROPS DEPARTMENT 34

1. Read General Rules and Static Exhibit Rules carefully.
2. Baled hay may be any combination of grass and legume roughage. One sample per exhibitor in any single Lot is permitted. The sample must be two flakes from any one bale. Judging will be on the basis of color leafiness and other standards of common US graders. The moisture content must be low enough that, in the opinion of the judges, the hay would remain in good condition under average hay mow storage conditions. Grass silage samples must be in tightly sealed one quart glass jars.
3. As long as your articles for exhibit differ you may make more than one entry in Lot 10. In the case of 3 or more exhibits of the same kind, a new lot will be formed.

### CLASS A

#### HAY

- Lot 01.** Timothy, at least 90%  
**Lot 02.** Alfalfa, at least 90%  
**Lot 03.** Mixed hay, grasses and legumes in any combination

#### CORN AND GRAINS

- Lot 04.** Popcorn, 5 ears  
**Lot 05.** Flint corn, 5 ears  
**Lot 06.** Tallest stalk of corn (measured from ground level to top of tassel)  
**Lot 07.** Corn grown for decorative (Indian corn) or utilitarian (broom corn) purposes

#### ENSILAGE

- Lot 08.** Ensilage corn, 5 stalks  
**Lot 09.** Grass silage, 2 one quart glass jars

#### OTHER

- Lot 10.** Any other field crop not listed such as mangels, amaranth, etc. (See Rule 3 above)\*  
**Lot 11.** 2 large field pumpkins, uniform in size and shape, with stem  
**Lot 12.** Tallest sunflower plant, cut at soil line and in water - flower must be in full bloom and in good condition  
**Lot 13.** Field pumpkin (largest ripe pumpkin by weight - must indicate weight)  
**Lot 14.** Largest sunflower head. Must be in full bloom, with seeds 75% ripe, and be in good condition.  
**Lot 15.** Basket or similar container of gourds - 7-10 gourds any type.

#### DISPLAYS

- Lot 16.** Informational display with visual examples either on poster board and/or within a 30"x30" area. Examples: different types of hay used for different animals, haying process, various types of corn and each type's use, how sunflower oil is produced, storing silage, farm equipment, how broom corn is made into a broom, etc.). **This may be entered as an individual, team or club display.**
- Lot 17.** Harvest display utilizing no more than a 30"x30" area, with field crop items you grew. May use pumpkins, gourds, cornstalks, sunflowers, decorative corn, hay, etc., and can include other optional homemade or store-bought props (mini scarecrows, birds, Halloween items, etc.) pertaining to the theme. You *must* include a tablecover. **This may be entered as an individual, team or club display.**
- Lot 18.** Challenge Lot, see the Challenge Lots section.

#### PREMIUMS

	First	Second	Third
Lot 01-15	4 PTS	3 PTS	2 PTS
Lot 16-18	15 PTS	11 PTS	7.5 PTS

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