

Youth and Teen Preserved Foods

Preserved Food Rules

1. Accurate and legibly written labels, including exhibitor's name, entry division and class number, must be attached to entry on bottom of jars.
2. No paraffin seals. All canning must be in sealed glass jars with rings in place.
3. Exhibitor to present two (2) identical sized containers for each entry. One container is to be opened for judging, the other is to be displayed. Exception would be Dried Foods.
4. Vegetables must be canned under pressure. Low acid fruits such as figs, should be made more acidic by adding lemon juice as directed in the University of California Agricultural Extension Service leaflet, "Home Canning of Fruits." Tomatoes and fruit, not including their juices, must be processed in a boiling water bath.

Preserved Foods: Divisions 260-263

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

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Preserved Food Divisions

Division 260 Canned Foods

Class

- 01 Any Fruit - Specify in description
- 02 Any Vegetable - Specify in description
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

Division 261 Dried Foods

*Indicate method of drying on entry form.
Provide in zip lock bag or plated display.*

Class

- 01 Any Fruit - Specify in description
- 02 Any Vegetable - Specify in description
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

Division 262 Jams and Jellies

Class

- 01 Any Jam - Specify in description
- 02 Any Jelly - Specify in description

Division 263 Miscellaneous Preserved Food

Class

- 01 Pickled Fruit or Vegetable
- 02 Any other - Specify in description

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Rules Overview

Youth and Teen Rules

1. Restricted to youth ages 5 to 18 years of age and/or 4-H Member to age 19.
2. All entry forms must be signed by a parent or guardian if the exhibitor is under the age of 18.
3. Youth and Teen categories are open to exhibitors who are legal residents of El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Sacramento, Sutter & Yuba counties.
4. All entries to be displayed in Jones Hall.
5. Every possible care will be taken in handling work, but no responsibility is assumed by the fair management or @the Grounds
6. All entries must be made, collected or produced by the exhibitor not more than one year prior to opening day of the Fair. Copied work will be disqualified.
7. Exhibitors must check carefully for receiving instructions and any other rules specific to their entry.
8. Entries cannot have been exhibited in any prior Placer County Fair.
9. State and local rules apply to all entries in corresponding Adult Departments and shall be used unless otherwise specified in the Youth & Teens Department.
10. Management reserves the right to withhold or reject any entries if they are deemed inappropriate or offensive.
11. If any of the above rules are not followed, works shall not be displayed.
12. Management has the right to change schedules and divisions at any point in time. Please check back frequently on www.placercountyfair.org/get-involved/contests/still-exhibits for any updates.

Definition of Terms

- Class - A group of items that are judged together
- Division - A group of classes with a similar theme
- Show/Category - A group of divisions that make up a category

Can't find a youth Division that fits your entry? All Youth and Teen exhibitors are eligible to enter an Adult open category if it is not offered in the Youth and Teen department.