

DEPARTMENT • 34

BEER CONTEST

Co-Chairs: Jeff Musselman, Harrisburg, PA; Ashlee O. Dugan, Harrisburg, PA

RULES

See General Rules and Regulations online at <http://farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/rules-regulations/Pages/default.aspx>

Use Beer Contest entry form online at <http://farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/forms-registration/Pages/default.aspx>

Entries Close - November 1, 2018

Beer Arrival Deadline - November 20, 2018

Judging - November 30, 2018

General

1. This competition is open to any Pennsylvania Limited Brewery with a licensed professional brewer 21 years of age or older.
2. All entries must be made in Pennsylvania for commercial use.
3. A contestant may make up to six (6) entries.
4. An entry must consist of at least six (6) units (minimum of 12 oz. each) in a hermetically sealed vessel.

Entry

5. Obtain entry blanks online at <http://farmshow.pa.gov/exhibit/forms-registration/Pages/default.aspx>.

Entry Fee

6. The fee for beer entries is \$10.00 per entry.
7. A check for the entry fees, made payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," must accompany the entry blank or the entry will not be evaluated for competition.

Submission

8. Beers must be shipped or delivered to arrive on or before November 20, 2018.
9. Ship to: Farm Show Beer Competition
Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center
2300 N. Cameron St.
Harrisburg, PA 17110-9443
10. The entry blank for the beer entered must be completed and received for the beer being sent.
11. All beer submitted should be marked on the outside of the shipping case: "Farm Show Beer Competition."

Judging

12. Judging will be private and completed prior to the opening of the Farm Show.
13. Tasting format: All beers will be judged based on the Brewers Association 2018 Beer Style Guidelines with changes: <https://www.brewersassociation.org/resources/brewers-association-beer-style-guidelines/>. Used with permission of the Brewers Association. The top three brews per category will be awarded first, second, and third.
14. Following competition, brews will be displayed at the Farm Show.
15. Best of Show Award will be presented.
16. PA Preferred™ Brews should be noted as such. These beers will be judged against respective class and the beer with the highest overall score will be awarded the PA Preferred™ Legacy Award.
17. Placing will be offered on merit of excellence, not entry alone. Therefore, in any one class all placings may not be awarded if, in the judge's opinion, entries do not merit placement. This may also result in the omission of some placements such as first or second for awarding of only a third. Decision of judges is final.

Classes

1. Pale Lager (pilsner, helles, American lagers, etc.)
2. Amber Lager (oktoberfest, vienna, etc.)
3. Dark Lager (dunkel, schwarzbier, etc.)
4. Wheat Beer (hefeweizen, dunkelweiss, American wheat etc.)
5. Pale Ale (American and English Style)
6. IPA (<7.5% abv)
7. IPA (>7.5% abv)
8. Specialty IPA (anything that doesn't fall into the above categories, including Red IPA, Rye IPA, Black IPA, etc.)
9. Stout and Porter (American/English styles of all porters and stouts)
10. Belgian Style Beer (Saison, Witbier, Abbey Styles)
11. Kettle Sour
12. Mixed Fermentation Sour
13. Barrel Aged Beer
14. Fruit/Herb/Vegetable

Awards

Per Class: first, second, and third - ribbons

Best of Show - trophy

PA Preferred™ Legacy Award sponsored by PA Preferred™