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CHRISTMAS TREES & WREATHS

Chair - Robert Pollock, Indiana, PA

RULES

See General Rules and Regulations online at <https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/rules-regulations>

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NEW: All entries must be preregistered ONLINE by November 20, 2020.

ENTRIES MUST BE DROPPED OFF AT THE FARM SHOW COMPLEX BETWEEN 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. JANUARY 9, 2021.

1. Trees for competitive exhibit must have been grown in Pennsylvania on land owned or operated by the exhibitor.
2. Exhibitors may enter in as many classes or divisions of a class as they wish, but no exhibitor shall make more than one entry in a single class or division of a class, either in her/his own name, the name of a farm, or the name of some other person.
3. Trees to be exhibited shall be within the 6- to 8-foot range, measurements to be made from the bottom of the handle to the top of the tip. Tabletop-cut trees to be 48" maximum height.
4. No trees may be exhibited with limbs or foliage added that did not grow naturally in place.
5. No tree may be exhibited that has been sprayed with or has artificial color or other chemicals added in any manner.
6. Trees may be naturally grown or sheared and shaped by the exhibitor.
7. No holders should accompany trees. All trees will be supported in like manner.
8. Handles shall be well trimmed and 5 to 8 inches in length (Class 9 exempt). All handles less than 5 inches or more than 8 inches will receive a zero (0) score.
9. **All trees must come pre-drilled.**
10. **Any entry delivered without an official entry tag will be disqualified.**
11. Upon drop off, all exhibits will become the property of the Farm Show and will not be returned to the exhibitor.

Section 001 – Christmas Trees

- Class 1. Any Pine
- Class 2. Douglas fir
- Class 3. Any Spruce
- Class 4. Fraser fir
- Class 5. Concolor
- Class 6. Other true domestic firs
- Class 7. Other true foreign firs
- Class 8. Hybrid - Cross fir
- Class 9. Tabletop Tree - Cut (one of the above species)
- Class 10. **Grand Champion***
- Class 11. **Reserve Grand Champion***

*Only first place trees in classes 1 thru 8 are eligible to compete for the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Award. This will be selected by the judge and **NOT** People's Choice.

Scorecard

Foliage: Fresh, clean, uniform	15
Taper: All classes, 40% to 90%	10
Density: Uniform medium density is scored highest	15
Handle: Well trimmed 5 to 8 inches in length (Classes 9 & 10 exempt).	10
If handle length meets requirements, it will be given a score of "10";	
if handle does not fall into the range of 5-8 inches, it will receive a score of "0"	
Color: Normal	10
Naturalness: Not perfectly smooth outside appearance	10
Damage or defects: Crooked stem, holes, uneven sides, etc.	30
PERFECT SCORE	100

Section 002 – Wreaths

1. Wreaths must have been made by the person whose name appears on the entry form and cannot have been made by contract help.
2. In no case shall one person, family, or farm enter more than three wreaths – one decorated, one undecorated, and one open class.
3. No wreath may be exhibited that has been sprayed with or has artificial color or other chemicals added in any manner (i.e. no antidessicants or flame retardants.)
5. Wreaths must be made on a 12-inch ring, of natural coniferous evergreen material (no princess pine), and the outside diameter **must not exceed 24 inches**. The weight of the wreath **may not exceed 5 pounds**. Wreaths may be single- or double-faced.
6. Decorated wreaths must contain a bow and may contain broadleaf evergreens, or dried or other decorative materials and ornaments.
7. Wreaths in the undecorated category should be made with mixed coniferous evergreens; however, we suggest no other materials such as berries or leaves.
8. Open class, any evergreen novelty, shall be made with natural evergreens (no princess pine) in any shape as long as it can be displayed properly; **not to exceed 5 pounds**.
9. **Any entry delivered without an official entry tag will be disqualified.**
10. Wreaths will be scored using the following criteria:

- Class 1. Undecorated
- Class 2. Decorated
- Class 3. Creative Unconventional Entry
- Class 4. Grand Champion
- Class 5. Reserve Grand Champion

Scorecard

Foliage & Color:	0-50
Workmanship:	Uniform Density	0-50
	Uniform center hole	0-50
	Uniform outside perimeter	0-50
	No cut ends visible	0-50
	Construction quality	0-50
	Placement of material	0-50
	(decorated & unconventional only)	
Overall Appearance:	Eye Appeal	0-50
	Craftsmanship	0-50
	(decorated & unconventional only)	
	Originality	0-50
	(decorated & unconventional only)	
Arrangement of Decorations/Bow:	Decorated & unconventional only.....	0-50
	Perfect Score for Decorated	550
	Perfect Score for Undecorated	350
	Perfect Score for Unconventional.....	550