

OPEN AGRICULTURE & HORTICULTURE

ENTRY FORMS DUE

August 1, 2026

ENTRY FEES

Feature Exhibits – \$50.00 per Booth

Agricultural Photography – \$5.00 per Item

Non-Commercial Divisions, Honey, and Beeswax – \$2.00 per Item

EXHIBITS RECEIVED

Tuesday, September 1st, 2026, ~ 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

BOOTH INSTALLATION COMPLETED BY

Monday, August 31st, 2026, ~ 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Agriculture Building (Salinas Room)

EXHIBITS RELEASED

Tuesday, September 8th, 2026, ~ 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Individual and commercial exhibitors are required to keep their perishable displays of fruit and vegetables in market condition for the duration of the Fair. Perishable commodities must be replaced at least once between 10:00 AM and 12 NOON on the following schedule of Fair days: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Refrigeration for replacement exhibits will be provided by the Fair.
2. A **Commercial exhibitor** shall be defined as one who engages in an activity for monetary profit.
3. A **Non-commercial exhibitor** shall be defined as one who engages in an activity as a pastime rather than a profession.
4. Please note the entry limitations listed at the beginning of the Divisions or Classes.
5. Commercial Divisions have no entry fees and no premiums.

FEATURE EXHIBITS

DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entry forms for Feature Exhibits (Booths) should indicate the approximate number of square feet required for the display. Feature Booth measurements are set at an 8' height for rear walls. Please contact the Building Superintendent through the Fair Office 831-372-5863 for further space information.
2. All water containers within booths shall be lined and leak proof.
3. Commercial frozen or canned foods will not qualify in the judging of Feature Booths.
4. All wiring contained within an exhibit booth must be type "S" or heavier. All booth supplies must be provided by the exhibitor.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS DIVISION 100

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
\$150.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	Plaque

DIVISION 100 FEATURE EXHIBITS (BOOTHS)

Feature Exhibitors should display agriculture and concentrate on the process of growing, harvesting, and marketing. The exhibit should be presented in such a manner as to inform the public of the value, need, desirability and interest to the consumer. The educational value should be the most important part of the exhibit.

CLASS:

- 1) Feature Booth maximum 200 sq. ft. (non-commercial)
- 2) Feature Booth maximum 200 sq. ft. (commercial)

PRODUCE PACKS

PRODUCT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. No more than two entries per exhibitor per class. Except category "Any Other Variety" (unlimited entries).
2. If you are unable to find an appropriate class for your product, please call our Entry Staff at 831/372-5863 for assistance.
3. A variety of products must be adequately and correctly labeled. Rules as to quantity or number must be strictly adhered to.
4. All Agriculture and Horticulture products entered by individuals and commercial exhibitors must have been produced (grown) in Monterey County by the exhibitor in current year production or be a Monterey County company with production in San Benito and/or Santa Cruz counties.
5. The quality desired in Agricultural and Horticultural products exhibits is the quality that brings the best financial return in the commercial market, and such exhibits must be at least equal maturity as that state of ripeness required by Sections 42513: "Mature" means having reached that stage of ripeness which will insure palatability, after the removal of the product from the tree, plant, or vine. Section 42515: "Overripe" means having an advanced state of maturity which causes the product to be undesirable for human consumption in a fresh state.
6. Perishable displays (excluding dried nuts, dried fruits, pumpkins, mature squash, and seeds) will not be returned unless the exhibitor has previously arranged with the Management in writing for such return.
7. **JUDGING:** American system of judging will be used for all divisions except Division 112 which will use Danish.
8. Unless otherwise stated, the type of vegetables desired for exhibit will be a uniform commercial grade rather than overgrown.
9. Monstrosities will not be considered for premium awards.
10. **COMMERCIAL DIVISIONS HAVE NO ENTRY FEES AND NO PREMIUMS.**

AWARDS OFFERED PER CLASS

COMMERCIAL DIVISIONS

1st Place – Ribbon

2nd & 3rd Place – Ribbons (if requested)

NON-COMMERCIAL DIVISIONS

1st Place – Premiums & Ribbon

2nd & 3rd Place – Premiums

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS NON-COMMERCIAL DIVISIONS		
1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$5.00	\$3.00	\$2.00

DIVISION 101 FOOD SERVICE PACK (COMMERCIAL)

CLASS:

- 1) Baby Iceberg

- 2) Broccoli Florets – 3 lbs.
- 3) Carrot Sticks – 5 lbs.
- 4) Cauliflower Florets – 1 lb. or less
- 5) Cauliflower Florets – 3 lbs. or more
- 6) Green Onion – 2 lbs.
- 7) Romaine Hearts – 3/bag or 6/bag, please specify
- 8) Romaine Hearts – Naked Liner Pack
- 9) Food Service Pack, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 10) Organic Food Service Pack, Any Other Fruit or Vegetable Variety, please specify

DIVISION 102 SALAD PRODUCTS (COMMERCIAL)

CLASS:

- 1) Cabbage, please specify variety
- 2) Lettuce, please specify variety
- 3) Lettuce, Whole Green Leaf Leaves – 10 lbs. or less
- 4) Lettuce, Whole Romaine Leaves – 10 lbs. or less
- 5) Romaine, please specify variety
- 6) Salad Mix – 5 lbs. bag
- 7) Spring Mix – 1 lb. or less bag
- 8) Spinach – 2 1/2 lbs. bag
- 9) Spinach – 6 to 10 oz. bag
- 10) Salad Products, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 11) Organic Salad Products, Any Variety, please specify

DIVISION 103 VEGETABLES (NON-COMMERCIAL)

CLASS:

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES (PLATE DISPLAY)

- 1) Tomatoes, Any Variety, please specify – 3 to 10
- 2) Vine Crop, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 3) Fruit and Pod Vegetable, Any Variety, please specify

LEAFY AND STEM VEGETABLES (PLATE DISPLAY)

- 4) Broccoli, Any Variety – 1 bunch
- 5) Cabbage, Any Variety – 2 heads
- 6) Cauliflower, Any Variety – 2 heads
- 7) Celery – 2 stalks
- 8) Lettuce, Any Variety – 2 heads, please specify variety
- 9) Root, Bulb, and or Tuber, Any Variety, please specify
- 10) Vegetables, Non-Commercial, Any Other Variety, please specify

DIVISION 104 VEGETABLES (COMMERCIAL)

CLASS:

FRUIT AND POD VEGETABLES (PLATE DISPLAY)

- 1) Beans, Any Variety, please specify – 3 to 10 pods
- 2) Tomatoes, Any Variety, please specify – 3 to 10 specimens
- 3) Vine Crop, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 4) Fruit and Pod Vegetable, Any Variety, please specify

LEAFY AND STEM VEGETABLES (PLATE DISPLAY - NO CELLO PACKS)

- 5) Anise/Sweet Fennel - 2 bulbs
- 6) Artichokes - 3 globes
- 7) Broccoli, Any Variety - 1 bunch
- 8) Broccoli, Export - 1 bunch
- 9) Brussels Sprouts - 10 Sprouts
- 10) Cabbage, Any Variety, please specify - 2 heads
- 11) Cactus Pears - 3 specimens
- 12) Cauliflower, Any Variety, please specify - 2 heads
- 13) Celery - 2 stalks
- 14) Cilantro - 2 bunches
- 15) Kale - 2 bunches
- 16) Leeks - 2 counts
- 17) Lettuce, Butter - 2 heads
- 18) Lettuce, Endive/Escarole - 2 heads
- 19) Lettuce, Iceberg - 2 heads
- 20) Lettuce, Green Leaf - 2 heads
- 21) Lettuce, Red Leaf - 2 heads
- 22) Lettuce, Romaine Red - 2 heads
- 23) Lettuce, Romaine - 2 heads
- 24) Lettuce, Any Other Variety, please specify - 2 heads
- 25) Parsley, Italian - 2 bunches
- 26) Parsley, Curled - 2 bunches
- 27) Radicchio - 2 heads
- 28) Rapini - 1 bunch
- 29) Spinach - 1 bunch
- 30) Leafy and/or Stem Vegetables, Any Other Variety, please specify

ROOTS, BULBS AND TUBERS (PLATE DISPLAY)

- 31) Beets, Garden - 1 bunch of 4 or more
- 32) Onions, Any Variety, please specify
- 33) Radishes, Red - 2 bunches or 8 or more
- 34) Root, Bulb and/or Tuber, Any Other Variety, please specify

VINE CROPS (SINGLE ENTRY - PLATE DISPLAY)

- 35) Squash - 5 specimens
- 36) Vine Crop, Any Other Variety, please specify

ROOTED LETTUCE (SINGLE ENTRY - PLATE DISPLAY)

- 37) Lettuce, Butter - 2 heads
- 38) Lettuce, Iceberg - 2 heads
- 39) Lettuce, Green Leaf - 2 heads
- 40) Lettuce, Red Leaf - 2 heads
- 41) Lettuce, Romaine Red - 2 heads
- 42) Lettuce, Romaine - 2 heads
- 43) Lettuce, Sweet Gem - 2 heads
- 44) Rooted Lettuce, Any Other Variety - 2 heads

DIVISION 105 CARTON OR CRATE DISPLAY
(COMMERCIAL)

CLASS:

- 1) Artichokes - Cello Bags
- 2) Artichokes - Clamshell
- 3) Artichokes - Naked Pack 12/18
- 4) Artichokes, Baby - Cello or Tray Pack
- 5) Artichokes, Baby - 20 lbs. Loose
- 6) Artichokes, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 7) Anise/Sweet Fennel - 24s
- 8) Broccoli, Export
- 9) Broccoli - Standard Pack 14
- 10) Broccoli - Standard Pack 18
- 11) Broccoli, Domestic - Crown Cut 38

- 12) Broccoli, Florets - 20 lbs. Loose
- 13) Broccoli, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 14) Brussels Sprouts - 1 lb. bag
- 15) Brussels Sprouts - Std. Carton 25 lbs. or more
- 16) Bok Choy - 15 lbs. or more
- 17) Napa Cabbage - 15 lbs. or more
- 18) Cauliflower - Wrap 12
- 19) Cauliflower - Naked 12
- 20) Cauliflower, Orange/Green - Naked or Wrap 12
- 21) Cauliflower, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 22) Cilantro - 30 bunches
- 23) Celery - Sleeve 24
- 24) Celery - Sleeve 30 or 36
- 25) Celery, Hearts - Cello 12
- 26) Celery, Hearts - Cello 18
- 27) Celery, Hearts - Cello 30
- 28) Celery - Naked Pack 24
- 29) Celery - Naked 30 or 36
- 30) Celery, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 31) Endive/Escarole - Naked or Wrapped 24
- 32) Fava Beans - 28 lbs.
- 33) Kale, Any Variety - 12/24 bunches
- 34) Leeks - 12 bunches
- 35) Lettuce, Butter/Boston Green - Naked Liner 24
- 36) Lettuce, Butter/Boston Green - Clamshell 12
- 37) Lettuce, Butter/Boston Red - Naked Liner 24
- 38) Lettuce, Green Leaf - Bag/Sleeve 18/24
- 39) Lettuce, Green Leaf - Half Bikini Sleeve 24
- 40) Lettuce, Green Leaf - Naked 18/24
- 41) Lettuce, Green Leaf - Liner 24
- 42) Lettuce, Export - Wrap 12/15
- 43) Lettuce, Iceberg - Wrap 30
- 44) Lettuce, Iceberg - Wrap 12
- 45) Lettuce, Iceberg - Wrap 24
- 46) Lettuce, Iceberg - Liner 24
- 47) Lettuce, Iceberg - 6 Head Bag 24
- 48) Lettuce, Iceberg - Naked Carton 24
- 49) Lettuce, Iceberg - 6 Head Carton
- 50) Lettuce, Iceberg, Baby - Naked Liner 30+ count
- 51) Lettuce, Iceberg, Baby - Cello 2/bag
- 52) Lettuce, Sweet Gem - Liner 24
- 53) Lettuce, Red Leaf - Cello Bag/Sleeve 18/24
- 54) Lettuce, Red Leaf - Naked Liner 24
- 55) Lettuce, Romaine - Bag/Sleeve 24
- 56) Lettuce, Romaine - Pack 3/bag
- 57) Lettuce, Romaine - Pack 6/bag
- 58) Lettuce, Romaine - Naked Liner 24
- 59) Lettuce, Romaine - Wrap 18
- 60) Lettuce, Romaine Hearts - Pack 3/bag
- 61) Lettuce, Romaine Hearts - Pack 6/bag
- 62) Lettuce, Romaine Hearts - Naked Liner 48
- 63) Lettuce, Romaine Red - Bag/Sleeve 24
- 64) Lettuce, Romaine Red - Naked Liner 24
- 65) Lettuce, Romaine Green - Sleeve 24
- 66) Lettuce, Trim & Cuts - 4 x 6 pack
- 67) Lettuce, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 68) Mushrooms, Standard
- 69) Mushrooms, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 70) Onions, Green - Bunched 48
- 71) Onions, Green - Bag 5 oz. or more
- 72) Onions, Any Other Variety, please specify
- 73) Parsley, Flat Leaf - 30 bunches
- 74) Parsley, Curled Leaf - 30 bunches
- 75) Radishes, Red - Bunched 2

- 76) Rapini - Bunched 24
- 77) Spinach - Bunched 24
- 78) Tomatoes, Any Variety, please specify
- 79) Carton or Crate Display, Any Other Variety not listed, please specify

BERRIES & BEES

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS NON-COMMERCIAL DIVISIONS		
1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$5.00	\$3.00	\$2.00

DIVISION 106 BERRIES (COMMERCIAL)

CLASS:

- 1) Blackberries - Flat 12 x 6oz. or 8oz.
- 2) Raspberries - Clamshell Flat 12 x 6oz. or 8oz.
- 3) Strawberries - Clamshell Flat 8 x 1 lb.
- 4) Strawberries - Clamshell Flat 4 x 2 lbs.
- 5) Strawberries - Clamshell Flat 2 x 4 lbs.
- 6) Strawberries - Flat 12 x 1 pint
- 7) Strawberries, long Stem - Clamshell
- 8) Berry, Any Other Variety, please specify

DIVISION 107 HONEY

Extracted Honey, Minimum Quantity: Two One Pound Standard Honey Jars

CLASS:

- 1) Honey, Any Variety, please specify
- 2) Comb & Cut Honey, Any Variety, please specify

DIVISION 108 BEESWAX

Beeswax Novelties Shall Not Be Eligible for Premium Awards.

CLASS:

- 1) Natural or Sun Bleached - 2 pounds