
AGRICULTURE BUILDING
(DEPARTMENTS 17-27)
GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

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• **Please note: Changes have been made throughout Departments 17-27 (Agriculture Building). To avoid any confusion, please review all rules and regulations. NEW for 2025: Tuesday entry time 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

• ☑ Pre-entry or advance registration is recommended. Fill out and submit the online form at ☉ www.carvercountyfair.com/exhibit or fill out the [PDF form](#) and drop off or mail to: ✉ 501 West 3rd Street, Waconia, MN 55387.

• We highly recommend anyone with 10 entries or more to pre-register. If you cannot pre-register online, fill out the [PDF form](#) and drop off or mail it to the Fair office.

• **Only one entry in a class will be permitted by an exhibitor.** In case of duplicate entries by the same exhibitor, neither exhibit will qualify for judging.

• Entries are required to be made in the owner's name only. However, entries may be brought for competition by another individual or group.

• All exhibits competing for premiums must be grown or created by the person exhibiting them.

• **The exhibits must be grown or completed in the current year with exceptions where noted behind the class name.**

• The same exhibit **may not** be entered for premiums more than 1 year; entries should be from the current year.

• Entries are required to be delivered and remain on exhibit as designated by individual departments.

• **Entries will be accepted on Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

• **No late or walk-in entries will be taken after 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday. All PRE-REGISTERED entry tags have until 5:00 p.m. to pick up tags and take exhibits to the correct Department.**

• Entries will be taken in the Agriculture Building.

• During drop-off times, once you have your tag, please check in with the department workers with your exhibit. They will assist with tagging your item and putting it in the designated area. We ask this to lessen confusion in each of the departments and to avoid mistakes.

• A superintendent has the authority to reject an entry based on entry requirements.

• Exhibits may not be removed until 8:00 p.m. on the last day of the fair. If you remove your exhibit prior to this time, you forfeit your entire premium check.

• Exhibits will not be eligible for awards unless they are of good quality. No articles borrowed for competition, nor those incorrectly named, are eligible.

• Entries will be judged and awarded a place based on quality and merit. A judge may determine that

an entry does not meet specific criteria and is not required to award a placing.

• Judges' decisions are final.

• Buildings are closed to the exhibitors and the general public during judging. An exhibitor is not allowed to discuss or influence a judge's decision. The entry will be disqualified if this occurs.

• Participation ribbons will be awarded to all youth/child classes, 65 years & over classes, and health care classes.

• The same photograph cannot be used in multiple divisions/classes.

• All photographs need to be framed and ready to hang including a label with name, address and phone number on the back.

• No solicitation of a sale of the entered item may occur.

• The department will make every effort to assure the safety of all articles after arrival and placement, but in **no event will the department be responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits.**

• **Please note: when picking up your exhibit, you must go through the Department staff to get your item(s). Do not go into any of the showcases on your own. This is to protect exhibits from accidental breakage and to correctly identify the items.**

• **Please note:** when picking up your exhibit, please have your claim ticket or photo ID with you to ensure the right exhibit goes to the correct exhibitor.

• **Exhibits not removed Sunday evening (8 to 9:30 p.m.) can be picked up Monday from 9 a.m. to noon. Any exhibits not removed by noon on Monday will be property of the Carver County Fair.**

• Premium checks will be available Sunday evening after 8:00 p.m. in the respective buildings/barns and will have a 30-day validation date. Please bring a photo ID or your claim ticket. If check is not picked up Sunday evening, it will be mailed to you.

DEPARTMENT 27: PHOTOGRAPHY

Judging: Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Agriculture Building

• **Attention Exhibitors: Please review all general guidelines for Departments 17-27 at the beginning of this document.**

• Open to amateur photographers only. No professional or commercial photographers.

• Pictures must be taken by exhibitor and may be processed commercially.

• The same photograph of an object, place, person(s), etc. may be used only once; a photo cannot be entered in more than one division or class, by one or more exhibitors.

• Place label on back side of entry with name, address and phone number. Please note the back side of your photo should look as good as the front.

• **All photos must be framed and ready to hang.**

• **Classes A and C photo print size 4"×6" or 5"×7"; frame size 5"×7" up to 8"×10". No larger.**

• **Classes B and D photo print size 8"×10" up to 12"×18"; frame size 8"×10" up to 16"×20". No larger.**

- **Maximum size of a finished (frame and print) exhibit: for prints: 8" x 10" / for enlargements: 16" x 20" / for enhancement either 8" x 10" or 16" x 20".**
- No enhancement of any sort in classes A, B, C or D.
- Matting is allowed but cannot go over finished frame size.

Division A: Black and White Prints

- Print size: 4" x 6" or 5" x 7"
- Frame size: 5" x 7" up to and including 8" x 10" (matted or not)
- No computer enhancements

Class 1: Adults
 Class 2: Animals
 Class 3: Architecture
 Class 4: Birds
 Class 5: Children
 Class 6: Elderly Person
 Class 7: Floral
 Class 8: Holidays
 Class 9: Insects
 Class 10: Landscape
 Class 11: Machines
 Class 12: Skyscape
 Class 13: Still Life (no florals)
 Class 14: Toddler
 Class 15: Waterscape
 Class 16: 🏆 Champion Black and White Print
 Class 17: 🏆 Reserve Champion Black and White Print
 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division B: Black and White Enlargements

- Print enlargement size: 8" x 10" up to and including 12" x 18"
- Frame size: 8" x 10" up to and including 16" x 20" (matted or not)
- No computer enhancements

Class 1: Adults
 Class 2: Animals
 Class 3: Architecture
 Class 4: Birds
 Class 5: Children
 Class 6: Elderly Person
 Class 7: Floral
 Class 8: Holidays
 Class 9: Insects
 Class 10: Landscape
 Class 11: Machines
 Class 12: Skyscape
 Class 13: Still Life (no florals)
 Class 14: Toddler
 Class 15: Waterscape
 Class 16: 🏆 Champion Black and White Enlargement
 Class 17: 🏆 Reserve Champion Black and White Enlargement
 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division C: Color Prints

- Print size: 4" x 6" or 5" x 7"
- Frame size: 5" x 7" up to and including 8" x 10" (matted or not)
- No computer enhancements

Class 1: Adults
 Class 2: Animals
 Class 3: Architecture
 Class 4: Birds
 Class 5: Children
 Class 6: Floral
 Class 7: Holidays
 Class 8: Insects
 Class 9: Landscape
 Class 10: Machines
 Class 11: Mother & Child
 Class 12: Skyscape
 Class 13: Still Life (no florals)
 Class 14: Waterscape
 Class 15: Wedding
 Class 16: 🏆 Champion Color Print
 Class 17: 🏆 Reserve Champion Color Print
 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division D: Color Enlargements

- Print enlargement size: 8" x 10" up to and including 12" x 18"
- Frame size: 8" x 10" up to and including 16" x 20" (matted or not)
- No computer enhancements

Class 1: Adults
 Class 2: Animals
 Class 3: Architecture
 Class 4: Birds
 Class 5: Children
 Class 6: Floral
 Class 7: Holidays
 Class 8: Insects
 Class 9: Landscape
 Class 10: Machines
 Class 11: Mother & Child
 Class 12: Skyscape
 Class 13: Still Life (NO florals)
 Class 14: Waterscape
 Class 15: Wedding
 Class 16: 🏆 Champion Color Enlargement
 Class 17: 🏆 Reserve Champion Color Enlargement
 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00

Division E: Computer Enhanced Photo/Sepia

Finished photo, optional matting and frame should measure either 8" x 10" or 16" x 20".

Class 1: Adults
 Class 2: Animals
 Class 3: Architecture
 Class 4: Birds
 Class 5: Children
 Class 6: Country Scene
 Class 7: Family
 Class 8: Floral
 Class 9: Holidays
 Class 10: Insects
 Class 11: Landscape
 Class 12: Machines
 Class 13: Skyscape
 Class 14: Still Life (no florals)
 Class 15: Waterscape
 Class 16: 🏆 Champion Computer Enhanced Photo
 Class 17: 🏆 Reserve Champion Computer Enhanced Photo
 🏆 Premiums: 1st: \$4.00; 2nd: \$3.00; 3rd: \$2.00