

Department 111  
Plants, Flowers, Fruits and Vegetables  
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Section 1-Cut Vegetables

- Plant common name and variety must be listed on each entry form
  - Exhibits must be grown by exhibitors in their individual, family, school or community gardens
1. Beans (lima, snap, pole or vining)-5 pods
  2. Beans, dry, shelled-1/2 cup
  3. Beets- 3, tops trimmed to 1 inch, no green shoulders
  4. Broccoli-1 head or bunch of heads, 5 inches or more diameter
  5. Brussel Sprouts
  6. Cabbage (including green, red, napa, Chinese) 1 head-2-4 pounds, with 3 or 4 wrapper leaves
  7. Carrots-3. Tops trimmed to 1 inch, no green shoulders
  8. Cauliflower- 1 head, leaves cut above head
  9. Celery, 1 plant, roots off
  10. Chard- 1 plant, roots and damaged leaves off
  11. Corn, Sweet-3 ears, Husks removed completely, shank trimmed to ½ inch. Displayed in transparent bag
  12. Cucumbers, slicing types-2, 5 inches or longer, 2 inches less in diameter
  13. Cucumbers, pickling types-3, 3-5 inches
  14. Dill-bunch of 3 seed heads tied or in transparent bag
  15. Eggplant- 1 large oval or oblong types, i.e. Black beauty, Black magic, Black Enorma, Dusky
  16. Eggplant-2 small, slender and round types, i.e. Easter Egg, Ichiban, Long Tom, White Beauty
  17. Endive- 1 plant, roots removed, market size
  18. Garlic-3 bulbs, dried, braided together or tops trimmed to 1 inch, cleaned, not peeled
  19. Herbs- any kinds-plant in pot or tied bunch, minimum of 12 sprigs
  20. Herbs-dried, show a minimum of 1 tablespoon. Herbs must be appropriately prepared for use
  21. Kale, 1 plant, roots off
  22. Kohlrabi-2 tops and tap root trimmed to 2 inches
  23. Leek- 3-large and trimmed
  24. Lettuce, leaf or head-1 plant, roots off market size
  25. Muskmellon and honeydew melon, 1 market size
  26. Mustard-1 plant, roots off
  27. Okra-4-m 1 ½"-3" long
  28. Onions, bulb-3, tops trimmed to ½ inch, well cured and dried, not peeled
  29. Onions, green bunching type- 4. Tops on but trimmed evenly
  30. Parsley- 1 plant, roots off, market size and quality
  31. Parsnips- 3, tops trimmed to 1 inch
  32. Peas, 5 pods
  33. Peppers-2, large types Bell, Cubanelle, Italian Sweet
  34. Peppers-3, small types Banana, Hungarian Wax, Cherry, Jalapeno
  35. Potatoes-3 tubers, 5-10 inches
  36. Pumpkin- 1, ripe
  37. Radishes-4 tops trimmed to 1 ½ inch
  38. Rhubarb-4 stalks, tops trimmed off
  39. Shallot- 3, tops trimmed to ¼ inch, dried, not peeled
  40. Spinach, common-1/2 pound in transparent bag
  41. Spinach, New Zealand-m1/2 pound, bunch or tender tips 3-6inches, tied or in a transparent bag
  42. Squash, Summer-2, young, skin tender, such as zucchini, yellow, scallop
  43. Squash, Winter, -1
  44. Squash- 1, soft and round stem, such as Big Max, Big Moon, Mammoth
  45. Sweet Potatoes- 3roots
  46. Tomatoes- 2, ripe, stems off, medium and large fruit varieties including Roma

47. Tomatoes, chery-1/2 pint basket, stems off
48. Turnips- 2, tops trimmed to 1 inch
49. Watermelon-1, mature, market size
50. A Collection of 3 related types, such as 3 varieties of peppers, or 3 vegetables that appear in any ethnic cuisine
51. Miniature vegetables-6, of any type, harvested at small or baby stage
52. Ornamental Vegetables-3 of one type, such as miniature pumpkins, gourds, or decorative corn, Ornamental Kale ( 1 plant)
53. Miscellaneous, any other vegetable not listed, display same number of specimens as similar crop listed

## SECTION 2: Cut Flowers

- Plant common name and variety must be listed on each entry
  - Consist of 3 stems with the same color blooms except as noted
    - Gladiolus: one spike with at least 12-inch stem and other large spikes
    - Roses: one stem or the type entered
    - Dahlias :Three blooms of one color, or one bloom if over 6 inches
    - Any bloom over 6 inches or larger: show one specimen such as a dinnerplate dahlia or sunflower
  - Stems should be at least 8 inches in length, except where type of flower makes this impossible
  - Flowers that do not last as cut flower (daylilies, hollyhocks, impatiens, portulaca, etc.) may not be entered
  - Blooms of weeds, wild flowers and shrubs will not be evaluated
  - All containers for flowers should be provided
1. Asters (annual)
  2. Calendia
  3. Cosmo
  4. Gladiolus
  5. Delphinium
  6. Ornamental Grass (foliage and fully developed see head)
  7. Rose
  8. Rudbeckia ( Coneflowers/; black eye susan)
  9. Sweet peas
  10. Daisy
  11. Carnation
  12. Bachelor Buttons
  13. Chrysanthemum
  14. Dahlia (see above)
  15. Larkspur
  16. Asiatic Lily ( one stem)
  17. Petunia
  18. Statice (fresh)
  19. Pansy
  20. Calla Lily- 3 stems
  21. Cleome
  22. Flowering Tobacco
  23. Marigold
  24. Nasturtium
  25. Phlox- annual
  26. Snapdragons
  27. Sunflowers
  28. Zinnia
  29. Viola
  30. Any Other not listed

### Section 3 Indoor Gardening

- Plant common name and variety must be listed on each entry
  - All items should follow recommended guides for balance, design, proportions and harmony
  - Ribbons and bows as part of the design are allowed
  - Flowering houseplants must be a single stem or crown in proportional container
  - No artificial or plastic plant material allowed
  - Entries must be grown in the display container prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year
1. Dish Garden
  2. Terrarium

### Section 4: Indoor Garden House Plants

- Plant common name and variety must be listed on each entry
  - House plants must be a single stem or crown in proportional container
  - No artificial or plastic plant material allowed
  - Entries must be grown in the display container prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year
  - Hanging container may have more than 1 plant
  - Miniature plants like violets, pot is 2 ¼"-3" width only
1. Flowering,
  2. Foliage
  3. Vine
  4. Cactus
  5. Succulents
  6. Any other not listed

### Section 5: Container Gardens

- Plant common name and variety must be listed on each entry in addition to plant materials
  - No artificial or plastic plant material allowed
  - Appropriate plant and container combinations
  - Entries must be grown in the display container prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year
  - Perennial, Annual, vegetable or ornamental
  - Theme gardens only may have some artificial material. These materials should not be a main focus of the exhibit. They should blend in. Plants should be prominent
1. Container Garden

### Section 6: Fruits and Nuts

- Common name and variety must be listed on each entry
  - All fruits and nuts must be cared for by exhibitor
  - Nuts grown in the previous year may be entered
  - Entries must be of the same variety
1. Apples, 2 ripe
  2. Cherries, with stems, ½ pint
  3. Grapes, 1 bunch
  4. Pears, 2 ripe
  5. Raspberries, 1/2 pint
  6. Apricots, 2 ripe
  7. Elderberries, attached to cluster, 1 quart
  8. Nectarines
  9. Strawberries, caps on, 1 quart
  10. Nuts, all-ripe, dry, unshelled, 1/2 pint
  11. Blueberries, 1/2 pint
  12. Peaches
  13. Any others not listed

## Section 7 Floral Design

- Plant common name and variety must be listed on each entry in addition to plant materials
  - Arrangements should be in a florist foam
  - Ribbons and bows as part of the design are allowed
  - No artificial or plastic plant material allowed
  - List ID Sources
1. Dry or fresh flower corsage exhibited in transparent bag
  2. Table arrangement of live or dry plant material-not over 12" diameter and under 8" in height
  3. Plaque of dried or pressed plant materials: includes other craft projects made with real materials (ie. Floral pictures). Plaques and pictures need to be signed.
  4. Large arrangement of live or dried plant materials-for arrangements of over 12" diameter and over 18" height
  5. Any other not listed

## Section 8: Landscape Pictures and Plans

- All plans should be in a clear protective overlay and contain photos of the gardens or grounds
  - Markers, colored pencils or paints may be used to embellish the plan
  - Indicate direction of north on plan
1. Plan of annual and or perennial Flower Garden
    - Show varieties, common name, placement, height and color
    - Use scale no smaller than 1 inch equals 4 feet
  2. Plan of home vegetable garden
    - Show varieties, common name, placement, height, and approximate harvest times
    - Succession of plants may be indicated by a tracing paper overlay
    - Use scale no smaller than 1 inch equals 4 feet
  3. Plan or map of Home Grounds or Apartment Dwelling
    - Drawn to scale, showing grounds as they currently are at the beginning of project
    - A second map, with suitable and necessary notes, showing changes and improvements made
    - In different colors or an overlay, show changes or improvements yet to be made
    - Where ground space is unavailable, a terrace or porch garden of containerized plants can be depicted
  4. Plan of home orchard (tree fruit and or berry crops)
    - Show varieties, common name, placement, height and time of fruiting
    - Use scale no smaller than 1 inch equals 4 feet
    - Exhibit should indicate current year's work
  5. Garden Record Book
    - Show varieties and common name
    - List reason for selection
    - Garden design sketch including layout, dimensions, and spacing
    - Photos before and after are helpful

## Section 9- Miscellaneous Garden Entries

1. Hydroponic Gardening
2. Oswego County Annual Fair Theme Arrangement
3. Dry Flower bouquet
4. Vegetable Art
  - Vegetable character or sculpture or geographic design
  - List plants used

5. Open Class Exhibits
  - Exhibits deemed worthwhile but fall outside the categories described above
  - List varieties or scientific and common name
  - Exhibits will be judged according to similar project criteria

#### **Section 10- Collections**

- 10 or more specimens. All plant materials must be pressed, mounted and labeled with varieties and common name
  - All specimens mounted green will not be judged
  - All Collections, pictures and plants must have a protective picture overlay
  - Collections should be one sided on poster board or like material 22" x 28" in size, or in notebook binder on 8.5" x 11" pages with single specimen per page
  - Describe where found and habitat
1. Ornamental trees, leaf, twig (fruit, flower and seed if possible)
  2. Ornamental Shrubs, leaf, twig (flower and seed if possible)
  3. Weeds-common to lawns, flower beds and gardens
  4. Annual Flowers
  5. Perennial Flowers
  6. Seeds (Single type-vegetable or ornamentals)
    - Clean and dried
    - Must be harvested by exhibitor
    - Picture of plant, must accompany seeds
    - List of growing conditions required

#### **Section 11- Field Crops**

- Sample of hay must be cures and not moist
  - Grasses, legumes and silage crops will be judged on the basis of their values as forage or silage
  - Exhibits should be displayed in either tightly packed, clean baskets or slice of bale with approximately dimensions 8"x 10" x 14". Or as described
  - Feeds suitable for a youth animal project-Project must be specified, feed sampler attractively displayed on a board
  - Nutritional value and use of each sample must be described
1. Oats- 1 peck
  2. Wheat- 1 peak
  3. Any other small grains- 1 peck
  4. Field corn-3 ears
  5. Corn Silage-quart jar with mixture names on entry card
  6. Haylage-quart jar with mixture on entry card
  7. Corn Stalks-3 make an entry
  8. Alfalfa
  9. Timothy
  10. Clover
  11. Birdsfoot
  12. Mixed hay-state mixture on entry card