



**Erie County Fair**

## **Erie County Agricultural Society**

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Erie County Fair  
Open Class  
August 10 – 16, 2026

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Superintendent - Dianne Galloway

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Check in will be on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 p.m.
2. Judging will be on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 1pm
3. Official release time is Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am – noon
4. All items must be owned by the exhibitor.
5. If you have been a dealer or professional in the past or earn 50% of your annual income by such means, you must enter as a Dealer/Professional.
6. All items to be displayed must be clean.
7. All antiques must be at least 50 years old or as indicated.
8. No duplicate entries are permitted in a category within a given class.
9. No display should take up more than 24" of space.
10. It is suggested that each piece of a collection be marked with your exhibitor number to assure each exhibitor that his/her full collection is returned. Do NOT mark your collection with your name.
11. Superintendent has the right to change items to the appropriate category.
- 12. Antiques may be entered as a single item OR a collection. A collection must consist of at least 5 but not more than 8 items, unless otherwise stated.**

1. Glass
  1. Cut
  2. Pressed
  3. Depression
  4. Carnival
  5. Milk
  6. Colored
2. Bottles
3. Mason Jars
  1. Clear
  2. Blue
  3. Unique Jar with lid
4. Pottery
  1. Hull
  2. McCoy
  3. Roseville
  4. Other
5. Japanese Pottery, Pre1950
6. Hand Painted China
7. Beverage Service, Pre 1970
  1. Glasses/Cups
  2. Decanter/Pitcher
  3. Set
8. Food Storage or Display
  1. Cakes
  2. Cookie Jars
  3. Platters
  4. Pitchers
  5. Eggs
  6. Other
9. Kitchen Items
  1. Utensils
  2. Food Prep
  3. Cookware
10. Salt and Pepper Shakers
11. Breweriana/Wine/Spirits
12. Books, pre 1950
13. Boxes
14. Needlework
  1. Quilts, pre 1940
  2. Sampler, Pre 1960
  3. Linen, Pre 1940
  4. Aprons
  5. Clothing
15. Sewing Paraphernalia
16. Music Boxes (any type)
17. Matchbooks

18. Posters
  1. Movie
  2. Celebrities
  3. Sports
  4. Other
19. Postcards, pre 1960
20. Spoons
  1. States
  2. Souvenir
  3. Unique
21. Indian Relics - Collection of 5-8 displayed on cardboard or in case
22. Erie County Items
23. Cedar Point Item pre 1970
24. Railroad Items
25. Patriotic Items
  1. 4th of July
  2. Bicentennial
  3. Other
26. Cars/Vehicles (collectibles, not toys)
  1. Die Cast
  2. Matchbox
  3. Model
27. Games
28. Toys
29. Tools
  1. Farm
  2. Shop
  3. Garden
  4. Other
30. Advertising Items (NOT SIGNAGE)
  1. Jar
  2. Plate
  3. Box (not tin)
  4. Hat Box
  5. Bottle Openers
  6. Tin Boxes/Storage
  7. Bottles, any material
  8. Other
31. Signage (any material— if larger than 12"x 18" bring photo for display)
  1. Beer/wine/spirits
  2. Retail products
  3. Automobile
  4. Other
32. Fair themed antiques
  1. Any single antique item or collection representative of this year's fair theme "The Sweetest Fair Around"
33. Juniors Collection, 14 & under  
**(Antique or Non-Antique, set of 5-8)** (See rule #9 for spacing)
  1. Cars, Trucks or Farm vehicles 1/64 scale
  2. Shells
  3. Favorite Toys
  4. Tourist Collectibles from travels
  5. Sports or Character cards
  6. Other

### BEST OF SHOW

**Registration Deadline—August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Interested in entering the 7 other Departments—Farm & Garden, Floriculture, Baked Goods, Photography, Household Arts, Arts and Hobbies & Crafts?

Contact the Erie County Fair Board office at 419.625.1000 or visit [www.eriefair.com](http://www.eriefair.com)

**See last page for Open Class general information, rules and regulations**



# RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ERIE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

## General Information

1. BE SURE TO READ: (1) All rules imposed by the Erie County Agricultural Society; (2) All rules imposed by the State of Ohio; (3) All specific instructions under the department in which you wish to enter; (4) The summary of rules on the entry form.
2. Questions which arise will be answered by the department superintendents.
3. The Erie County Fair Board reserves the sole and absolute right to construe its own rules and regulations and to determine arbitrarily on matters and differences in regard thereto, from which there is no appeal.
4. Security and Police officers are on duty on the grounds during the continuance of the Fair. The Erie County Fair Board is not and will not be responsible for damage, loss, or accident that may occur. Exhibitors are requested to give attention to their items during the Fair.
5. Disrespect by an exhibitor or agent toward officials, or any misrepresentation, in regard to entries in any department either by statements made or facts omitted, will render the entry ineligible to compete, and no premium will be paid.
6. Competition is open to all counties in Ohio.
7. All open class exhibitors must hold a membership ticket, season ticket, pay per entry or a youth wristband.
8. All entries must be made in the name of the owner of the article.
9. Entries should be recorded on forms provided and mailed to the Erie County Agricultural Society, PO Box 2436, Sandusky, Ohio, 44870.
10. If you have been a dealer or professional in the past or earn 50% of your annual income by such means, you must enter as a Dealer/ Professional.
11. The closing date of all entries for each department will be 6pm, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.
12. All mail in entries in all departments must be postmarked no later than July 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be no exceptions to this rule.
13. The exhibitor must fill out the entry form completely. This includes designating the department; class; and description of the item. The entry form must be signed by the exhibitor.
14. When the entry of an item is recorded in the books of the Secretary, tags will be given a number and class which are to be placed on the item. Once the item has been entered, no changes in the entry will be permitted, unless it can be shown that a mistake has been made.
15. The superintendent has the right to change entry to a more appropriate category.
16. Every item for competition must be placed on display on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> between 5-8 pm.  
Except for:
  - Items for Farm and Garden and Baked Goods must be placed on display on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> between 8-9am.
  - Floriculture Class:
    - o Classes I, II and III on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> between 8-9 am.
    - o Classes IV, V and VI on Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> between 8-9 am.
17. Official release time is Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 9am-noon.  
**Any exhibitor removing items before release time will not be permitted to enter any open class exhibits the following year. Not responsible for items left after noon.**
18. Exhibitor must provide receipt to remove item from display area.
19. No interference or communications with the judges will be allowed and any person who by letter or otherwise attempts to influence the decision of the judge, shall forfeit any and all premiums which may be or have been awarded and be ruled out of competition.
20. Premiums for most classes are: 1st - \$5.00; 2nd - \$3.00; 3rd - \$1.00. Unless otherwise stated.
21. Premiums can be picked up on Saturday of the fair in the Sr. Fair Board office or on Sunday at exhibit check out.
22. Rosettes and ribbons will be awarded at time of judging or may be picked up in the Sr. Fair Board Office.
23. The judges are instructed not to award premiums, unless the items are deemed of worthy merit.
24. No person other than members of the Board, who are not competitors, will be allowed to see the entries, or to have access to the judges' books after the awards are made.
25. If there is any question as to the regularity of any entry, or of the right of any item to compete in any given class, the judges shall report the same to the Superintendent of the Department for adjustment.
26. The Fair Board is not responsible for notifying winning exhibitors.
27. For specific rules— see individual departments.

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