

AMATEUR OENOLOGY

Home Wine & Beer Making

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Oenology exhibits will be open to the public in **Grandfather's Barn** during building hours each day of the Fair.

JUDGING: Saturday, August 1 - Sunday, August 2

If you have questions, please contact the Iowa State Fair Entry Department at 515-262-3111 ext. 243 or entryintern1@iowastatefair.org.

RULES

1. Iowa Family Living general rules and regulations apply in this department. In case general rules conflict with Amateur Oenology Department general or special rules, the latter shall govern.
2. **SUBMITTING ENTRIES.** Entries may be submitted **online** or by **mail**. Online entry and a printable Iowa Family Living entry form are available at: <https://www.iowastatefair.org/>. If entering online, payment will be collected at time of entry. If entering by mail, complete entry form and return it with **full payment** of all fees to: Iowa State Fair, Iowa Family Living Entry Department, PO Box 57130, Des Moines, IA 50317-0003.
3. **ENTRY DEADLINE IS JULY 1.** Entries must be submitted online or postmarked on or before July 1.
4. **ENTRY FEE.** Each exhibitor, as a requirement for entry, shall pay a fee of \$8 per entry (one bottle for each wine entry, two bottles/cans for each beer entry, two bottles/cans for each mead & cider entry).
5. **LATE ENTRIES.** An additional late fee of \$10 will be charged for all entries submitted online or postmarked July 2 - July 8. No entries will be accepted after July 8.

ENTRY ELIGIBILITY

6. Exhibitors are limited to four exhibits in each class, per household; but each exhibit must be significantly different in style, taste or ingredients. Exhibitor must not be affiliated with commercial beer or wine making. Competition is available for Iowa commercial wines. Please refer to the Iowa Commercial Wine Department for more details.
7. Full descriptions of beer styles can be found at www.bjcp.org. The current Style Guidelines as of this printing will be used: 2021 Beer, 2015 Mead, and 2025 Cider.

ENTRY TAGS

8. Entry tags will be mailed to you to be completed and placed on wine/beer bottles. The more information that can be given about the entry on the entry tag, the more accurately it can be judged. It is important to completely fill out the entry tag. Entries without tags cannot be judged.
9. All wines and specialty beers must list major ingredient (type grape, type vegetable, type berry or mead).

DELIVERY OF ENTRIES

10. Entries may be delivered between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. on **Saturday, July 25** to the **Youth Inn Building (new location)** on the Iowa State Fairgrounds.
11. Entries may also be shipped by UPS or FedEx to: Iowa State Fair, Oenology Department, 3000 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50317. **Shipped entries must arrive by Noon on Friday, July 24. No late entries will be accepted!** Shipped entries will not be kept in cold storage. In no case will packages be received and entries placed on exhibition unless all charges are prepaid. Note: Alcohol cannot be shipped through the US Postal Service.
12. If entries are delivered to the Iowa State Fair Entry Department, please have the bottles securely packed in a box. Entries will be accepted weekdays between 9:00 a.m and 4:00 p.m. **Entries must be delivered by NOON on Friday, July 24.** Entries delivered to the Entry Department will not be kept in cold storage.
13. Shipped entries arriving late through no fault of the exhibitor will be judged only if the class has not already been judged.

JUDGING

14. All entries will be stored at room temperature until just prior to the competition when the beers will be refrigerated to proper serving temperature. Wines will be judged at room temperature.
15. Exhibits entered in the wrong class in the opinion of the judges will be re-classified. If the re-classification has already been judged, it will not be rejudged.
16. Judges reserve the right to combine classes when the number of entries is insufficient. Judges' decisions are final.
17. Gold, silver and bronze ribbons will be awarded in place of premiums. Beer and Wine classes will also award 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons.
18. All entry scoring sheets and ribbons will be mailed to the entrants after the Fair. There will be no bottle pick-up after the Fair.

DISPLAY OF ENTRIES

19. Wine shall be in standard wine bottles, at least 16 ounces, with all labels removed and Fair entry tag attached. One bottle is required per wine entry and shall be the homemade product of the exhibitor.
20. Beer and Mead & Cider shall be in 12 ounce or larger bottles or cans with all labels removed and Fair entry tag attached. Two bottles or cans are required per beer entry and per mead & cider entry.

LIABILITY

21. The Management will use diligence in caring for the safety of entries after their arrival and placement, but in no case will they be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

BEST OF SHOW AWARDS

22. Each Best of Show (Grape Wine, Non-Grape Wine, Beer, and Mead & Cider) will be awarded \$25 plus a rosette.

WINES

(1 Bottle per Entry)

GRAPE WINES - DIVISION 31

(Must list wine or grape variety and other adjunct ingredients)

CLASS

- 1 Dry Red
- 2 Dry White
- 3 Sweet Red and Concord
- 4 Sweet White
- 5 Wine from locally grown grapes - dry red
- 6 Wine from locally grown grapes - sweet red
- 7 Wine from locally grown grapes - dry white
- 8 Wine from locally grown grapes - sweet white
- 9 Aperitif and Dessert

NON-GRAPE WINES - DIVISION 32

(Must list major ingredient)

CLASS

- 10 Rhubarb Dry
- 11 Rhubarb Sweet
- 12 Fruit Dry
- 13 Fruit Sweet
- 14 Berry Dry
- 15 Berry Sweet
- 16 Aperitif and Dessert

* Note - Meads and Ciders are in Division 42

BEER - DIVISION 41

(2 Bottles or Cans per Entry)

CLASS

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 STANDARD AMERICAN BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) American Light Lager B) American Lager C) Cream Ale D) American Wheat Beer 2 INTERNATIONAL LAGER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) International Pale Lager B) International Amber Lager C) International Dark Lager 3 CZECH LAGER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Czech Pale Lager B) Czech Premium Pale Lager C) Czech Amber Lager D) Czech Dark Lager 4 PALE MALTY EUROPEAN LAGER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Munich Helles B) Festbier C) Helles Bock 5 PALE BITTER EUROPEAN BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) German Leichtbier B) Kölsch C) German Helles Exportbier D) German Pils 6 AMBER MALTY EUROPEAN LAGER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Märzen B) Rauchbier C) Dunkles Bock 7 AMBER BITTER EUROPEAN BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Vienna Lager B) Altbier 8 DARK EUROPEAN LAGER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Munich Dunkel B) Schwarzbier 9 STRONG EUROPEAN BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Doppelbock B) Eisbock C) Baltic Porter 10 GERMAN WHEAT BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Weissbier B) Dunkles Weissbier C) Weizenbock 11 BRITISH BITTER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Ordinary Bitter B) Best Bitter C) Strong Bitter 12 PALE COMMONWEALTH BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) British Golden Ale B) Australian Sparkling Ale C) English IPA 13 BROWN BRITISH BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Dark Mild B) British Brown Ale C) English Porter | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 14 SCOTTISH ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Scottish Light B) Scottish Heavy C) Scottish Export 15 IRISH BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Irish Red Ale B) Irish Stout C) Irish Extra Stout 16 DARK BRITISH BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Sweet Stout B) Oatmeal Stout C) Tropical Stout D) Foreign Extra Stout 17 STRONG BRITISH ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) British Strong Ale B) Old Ale C) Wee Heavy D) English Barleywine 18 PALE AMERICAN ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Blonde Ale B) American Pale Ale 19 AMBER AND BROWN AMERICAN BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) American Amber Ale B) California Common C) American Brown Ale 20 AMERICAN PORTER AND STOUT <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) American Porter B) American Stout C) Imperial Stout 21 IPA <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) American IPA B) Specialty IPA <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Specialty IPA: Brut IPA Specialty IPA: Belgian IPA Specialty IPA: Black IPA Specialty IPA: Brown IPA Specialty IPA: Red IPA Specialty IPA: Rye IPA Specialty IPA: White IPA C) Hazy IPA 22 STRONG AMERICAN ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Double IPA B) American Strong Ale C) American Barleywine D) Wheatwine 23 EUROPEAN SOUR ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Berliner Weisse B) Flanders Red Ale C) Oud Bruin D) Lambic E) Gueuze F) Fruit Lambic G) Gose | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 24 BELGIAN ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Witbier B) Belgian Pale Ale C) Bière de Garde 25 STRONG BELGIAN ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Belgian Blond Ale B) Saison C) Belgian Golden Strong Ale 26 MONASTIC ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Belgian Single B) Belgian Dubbel C) Belgain Tripel D) Belgian Dark Strong Ale 27 HISTORICAL BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Historical Beer: Kellerbier Historical Beer: Kentucky Common Historical Beer: Lichtenhainer Historical Beer: London Brown Ale Historical Beer: Piwo Grodziskie Historical Beer: Pre-Prohibition Lager Historical Beer: Pre-Prohibition Porter Historical Beer: Roggenbier Historical Beer: Sahti 28 AMERICAN WILD ALE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Brett Beer B) Mixed-Fermentation Sour Beer C) Wild Specialty Beer D) Straight Sour Beer 29 FRUIT BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Fruit Beer B) Fruit and Spice Beer C) Specialty Fruit Beer D) Grape Ale 30 SPICED BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Spice, Herb or Vegetable Beer B) Autumn Seasonal Beer C) Winter Seasonal Beer D) Specialty Spiced Beer 31 ALTERNATIVE FERMENTABLES BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Alternative Grain Beer B) Alternative Sugar Beer 32 SMOKED BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Classic Style Smoked Beer B) Specialty Smoked Beer 33 WOOD BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Wood-Aged Beer B) Specialty Wood-Aged Beer 34 SPECIALTY BEER <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A) Commercial Specialty Beer B) Mixed-Style Beer C) Experimental Beer |
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MEAD & CIDER - DIVISION 42

(2 Bottles or Cans per Entry)

CLASS

- 1 TRADITIONAL MEAD
 - A) Dry Mead
 - B) Semi-Sweet Mead
 - C) Sweet Mead
- 2 FRUIT MEAD
 - A) Cyser
 - B) Pymment
 - C) Berry Mead
 - D) Stone Fruit Mead
 - E) Melomel
- 3 SPICED MEAD
 - A) Fruit and Spice Mead
 - B) Spice, Herb or Vegetable Mead
- 4 SPECIALTY MEAD
 - A) Braggot
 - B) Historical Mead
 - C) Experimental Mead
- 5 TRADITIONAL CIDER
 - A) Common Cider
 - B) Heirloom Cider
 - C) English Cider
 - D) French Cider
 - E) Spanish Cider
- 6 STRONG CIDER
 - A) New England Cider
 - B) Applewine
 - C) Ice Cider
 - D) Fire Cider
- 7 SPECIALTY CIDER
 - A) Fruit Cider
 - B) Spiced Cider
 - C) Experimental Cider
- 8 PERRY
 - A) Common Perry
 - B) Heirloom Perry
 - C) Ice Perry
 - D) Experimental Perry