

**RULES GOVERNING THE  
2018 GEORGETOWN AGRICULTURAL FAIR  
August 4 - 12, 2018  
Phone (217) 662-6415**

**General Guidelines**

1. Social Security names will be required for all exhibitors prior to entry, for all exhibitors competing for premiums.
2. An exhibitor violating any fair rules may forfeit all privileges and premiums and incur penalties as ordered by the superintendent.
3. The Georgetown Fair Board of Directors reserves the absolute and final right to interpret all rules and regulations, and to arbitrarily settle all matters, questions, and differences.
4. CLAIMS FOR INJURY - No claim for injury to any person or property shall ever be asserted nor suit instituted or maintained against the Georgetown Fair, its officers or its agents, by or on behalf of any person, firm, or corporation or their agents, representatives, servants, or employees having license or privilege to exhibit on the Fairgrounds or occupy any space thereon. If damage, loss or injury to person or property shall be approximately caused by reason of neglect or willful act of any person, firm, or corporation, or their agents, representatives, servants, or employees having license or privilege to exhibit on said Fairgrounds, or occupying space thereon, the Georgetown Fair shall be in no manner responsible therefore, and in case it be subject to any expense or liability all persons causing same are liable therefore, shall indemnify the said Georgetown Fair. The Georgetown Fair will not be in any way liable for any injury to any attendant to any exhibit in all departments while en route to or from Fair.
5. LIABILITY OF EXHIBITORS - All property of every character entered for competition, display, or for any other purpose, or brought to the Fairgrounds by any person shall be subject to the rules and regulations set forth by the Georgetown Fair Board of Directors. In no case shall the Georgetown Fair or any of its officers or directors be held responsible for any loss, damage, injury, or death by diseases, theft, or from any other cause of any character, to any property while same is on the grounds, or any other time and place. The management hereby assumes no responsibility, either as bailee or otherwise, for any property being brought and kept upon said grounds. If the property owners, or others interested in the property desire protection against loss, damage or injury from fire, or from any other cause, they must make their own arrangements and pay for such insurance.
6. All gambling and gambling devices, sale or open use of alcoholic beverages and narcotics are all strictly prohibited on the Georgetown Fairgrounds. Security, including but not limited to, city police, sheriff departments and police canine units will remove violators from the grounds.

**HOME ECONOMICS AND AG PRODUCTS RULES**

1. Optional Advanced Entries are due Tues. July 31, 2018 at 6:00pm. Advanced entries remain open and can be changed, revised, or additions made as needed on Official Entry Day Friday, August 3, 2018.
2. Regular entries must be entered between 3:00pm and 8:00pm on Friday, August 3, 2018.
3. Each exhibitor will be required to purchase an exhibitor pass at \$5.00. Children 11 years of age and under who exhibit in Home Ec. Depts. J-V pay only \$2.00 exhibitor's fee. (\$2.00 for

exhibitors 11 and under)

4. All departments, except the Junior Home Ec. Departments, which have ages defined by the Bureau of County Fairs, are open to the world. Junior classes are open to boys and girls who are 8 years of age or in third grade and not yet 19 years of age on or before September 1 of the year previous to the fair. The Junior Department competitions are open to junior exhibitors meeting the stated age requirements with no restrictions as to place of residence.
5. **Entry fees will be paid by all exhibitors and will be payable on entry day, Aug. 3, 2018**
6. All exhibits must be complete.
7. Exhibitors may enter as many classes as desired, but only one entry per class.
8. No article that has ever won a prize at a previous Georgetown Fair may be exhibited for a prize, but will be welcome for display.
9. **Professionals may not compete for awards but may exhibit for display only.**
10. Every precaution will be taken to insure safety for all against loss or damage to articles, but in no case will management be liable for same.
11. Judges' decisions will be final in all cases.
12. Exhibits may be removed between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm on Saturday, August 11, 2018. Early release will NOT be allowed except under conditions of extreme hardship and only then at the discretion of the Fair President or Secretary. PLEASE, do not ask for early release. After release, **FAIR ASSN. WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REMAINING ENTRIES.**
13. Overall Grand Champion Rosette will be awarded to outstanding entry in each department.
14. The Junior Departments are open to boys and girls who are 8 years of age or in third grade and not yet 19 years of age on or before September 1 of the year previous to the fair.
15. If there are fewer entries than premiums, ie 5 places paid and only 3 entries, the entries **must** be awarded the highest premiums.

#### Specific Departmental Rules

##### **Floriculture - Dept. L**

1. Sec. 20 - Entries cannot contain artificial flowers or plants
2. Cut Flowers & Arrangements must not be commercially purchased
3. **All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**

##### **Fine Arts - Dept. M**

1. ALL WORK MUST BE ORIGINAL. NO COPIES.
2. Name and address of owner must appear on the back of each print or exhibit entered.
3. **ALL EXHIBITS MUST BE FRAMED. PICTURES MUST BE READY FOR HANGING BY HAVING A WIRE SECURELY ATTACHED TO THE BACK. NO TAPE, STRING, OR METAL PICTURE HANGERS.**
4. If the exhibit is not framed and/or there is no wire on the back for hanging, you will not be able to enter it. (However, there will be a table with wire and wire cutters available for you to use on entry day.
5. Maximum height and/or length of each painting entry cannot exceed 36 inches.
6. Maximum height and/or length of each photograph cannot exceed 30 inches.
7. Professionals are asked to "Display Only."
8. All collection/collage entries must be in 1 frame

**9. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**

**Textiles - Dept. M1**

1. All exhibits must be shown in the name of the person who made the article.
2. All exhibits must have been made since 2017 and not previously entered in the Georgetown Fair.
3. All exhibits are to be suitable for showing and freshly laundered.

**Education & Natural History - Dept. N**

- 1. Exhibit must be entered under name of one who has made or collected exhibit.**
2. The Junior Departments classes are open to boys and girls who are 8 years of age or in third grade and not yet 19 years of age on or before September 1 of the year previous to the fair.
3. School exhibits must have been made since Aug, 2017.
4. All nature collections must be presented as a display with items identified and securely covered for protection of the exhibit.
5. All exhibits must be secured properly and covered.
6. All art work must be matted or framed properly and be secured with a proper hanger and not larger than 24" x 30". All art work will be hung if possible.

**Culinary - Dept. O**

1. All baked goods must be on disposable plates.
2. There must be at least 3 pieces of candy on a plate.
3. There must be at least 3 cookies on a plate.
4. All canned fruit and vegetables must be canned in 2017 and 2018. Canning jars must have rings on them.
5. Jellies must be in jelly glasses with tight fitting lids.
6. No pies that require refrigeration will be allowed.
7. **All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**

**Junior - Dept. P**

1. The Junior Departments are open to boys and girls who are 8 years of age or in third grade and not yet 19 years of age on or before Sept. 1 of the year previous to the fair.
2. **All products must be the work of the exhibitor and must have been made since August, 2017 and not previously entered in the Georgetown Fair.**
3. All baked goods must be placed on **small white** disposable plates.
4. There must be at least three cookies per plate and must be baked.
5. There must be at least three pieces of candy per plate.
6. All canned fruits and vegetables must be canned in 2017 and 2018
7. Jellies must be in jelly glasses and covered with a lid.

**Miscellaneous - Dept. V - Collections and Junior Hobby**

1. Only collections that cannot be entered in Educational and Natural History Department can be entered.
2. No exhibit will be accepted if larger than 18" x 24" x 12" with the exception of Lego exhibitions will be limited to no larger than 12" x 12" x 12".

**3. Exhibit must be the work of the exhibitor.**

4. The Junior Departments are open boys/girls who are 8 years of age, or who will be entering the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for the 2018-2019 school year and who will not reach their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday before the start of the fair.
5. Collections must be brought in a display of any sort (box, basket, etc.)

**Miscellaneous - Dept. V - Antiques**

1. All exhibits must be 50 years and older
2. Professionals and Dealers are asked to "Display Only"

**Miscellaneous - Dept. V - Adult Hobby**

1. All items must have been completed since Jan. 1, 2017.
2. Professionals and Dealers are asked to "Display Only"
3. **All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**

**Kids Corner - Dept. K.**

1. Any boy or girl who is not 8 years old by Jan. 1, 2018 and younger.
2. **All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**