

Brackendale Fall Fair Rules, Regulations and Classes for 2025

*The Brackendale Fall Fair is all about family, friends and neighbors.
Volunteer! Enter the Exhibit Competition! Join in the fun!*

The Brackendale Farmers' Institute asks each competitor to read the rules and regulations for exhibits as listed below as entries that do not comply may be disqualified. If you did not take advantage of the pre-registration or pick up entry forms from the depots forms will be available at the fairgrounds.

1. Location and Time:

The fair will be held at the Brackendale Farmers' Institute Park, 41976 Government Road. The fair will be open to the public from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on Saturday, September 6th, 2025.

2. Exhibit Entries:

All exhibit entries must be at the fairgrounds by 6:30 pm on September 5th, 2025 and must remain on display until 5:00 pm on September 6th, 2025. Items must be picked up at this time as the Brackendale Farmers Institute will not be responsible for any exhibits left after 6:00 pm on September 6th, 2025.

3. Animal Entries (Section N):

Any animal entered in Section N for judging must arrive before 8:30 am on the September 6th, 2025 (day of the fair). All animals must be self-contained with food and water as this is part of the care of the animal. Please check your animals periodically during the fair for stress, especially if it is hot. Let the Exhibit Host know if you are leaving the grounds.

4. Display Duration:

All exhibits will remain displayed for the duration of the fair. The Farmers Institute will take measures to ensure the safety of the exhibits but shall not be liable for any loss or damage to exhibits. A security guard will stay through the night on Friday after the judging is completed.

5. Exhibit Authenticity:

All exhibits must be made raised or grown by the exhibitor. Infringement of this rule will result in disqualification. All entries, except wine, must bear no visible signs of wear and must have been completed after September 2024. No names will be visible to judges until after the awards have been made.

6. Entry Forms:

Each exhibitor must complete entry forms prior to arriving at the fairgrounds. Entry forms can be picked up at the pre-registration at the Local Root garden center (41015 Government Rd) from April to September. After this, in August, the forms can be picked up at the Brackendale General Store (41703 Government Rd) or at Anna's Interior (38052 Cleaveland Ave.). The entry fee is \$1.00 for all competitors. Adults (18 years and up) use white entry forms, Teens (13-17) use orange entry forms, Juniors (9-12) use blue entry forms, and Children (Kindergarten-8) use pink entry forms.

7. Entry Classes:

Entries in a section must fall into a listed class. One entry per class, no exceptions. Any non-class items will be listed for "display only" and will note the exhibitor.

8. Judging and Awards:

Judges may divide classes into subsets and award ribbons as they deem appropriate. Exhibits will be judged on merit against criteria.

9. Judging Criteria:

In the absence of competition in any class, the judge will award prizes according to merit. The judge's decision is final.

10. Volunteer Access:

Only Fall Fair volunteers are allowed on the fairgrounds Friday evening after 7 pm when judging is taking place.

11. Prize Money:

All prize money will be paid out on Saturday September 6th, 2025 at the fairgrounds from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. First prize is \$3.00, second prize is \$2.00, and third prize is \$1.00.

***All classes are open to ages from kindergarten and up.

***Be sure to record age for 17 and under.

***Sixteen and seventeen-year-olds may enter as an Adult if they wish to.

Section A

Fruit, Berries, Nuts

- 1 Apples 3
- 2 Pears 3
- 3 Plums 3
- 4 Tomatoes 3
- 5 Cherry Tomatoes 6
- 6 Berries 12 or
Grapes 1 cluster
- 7 Fruit basket Collection
Min of six kinds

Section B

Vegetables I

- 1 Potatoes 3
- 2 Carrots 3
- 3 Leeks 2
- 4 Onions 2
- 5 Beets 3

Vegetables II

- 6 Cucumber 2
- 7 Peppers 2
- 8 Beans 8
- 9 Corn 2 ears
- 10 Cabbage 1 head
- 11 Kale bundle of 5 leaves
- 12 Display of veggies
min. of six kinds

Vegetables III

- 13 Squash, summer 1
- 14 Squash, winter 1
- 15 Pumpkin 1
- 16 Weird shaped Veggie 1
- 17 Biggest Zucchini 1
- 18 Biggest Pumpkin 1

Section C Herbs

- 1 Cooking, fresh 5 stems
- 2 Medicinal, fresh 5 stems
- 3 Cooking, dried 5 stems
- 4 Medicinal, dried & teas
- 5 Edible flowers 5 stems
- 6 Mixed Herb Basket
Min. of six kinds
- 7 Garlic 3 bulbs
- 8 Garlic braid 1 braid

Section D Flowers

***Vases must be weighted

***Max height of vase 8"

- 1 Perennials in vase 5
- 2 Annuals in vase 5
- 3 Sunflowers in vase 5
- 4 Dahlia in vase 3
- 5 Gladiola in vase 3
- 6 Arrangement in mason jar 7
- 7 Floral center-piece
- 8 Patio Planter 12"x12"
- 9 Hanging basket 12"x12"

- 10 Biggest Sunflower

Section E

Canning and Preserves I

- 1 Pickles, cucumbers 1 jar
- 2 Pickles, vegetables 1 jar

Canning and Preserves II

- 3 Jellies 1 jar
- 4 Jams 1 jar

Canning and Preserves III

- 5 Chutney, relish, salsa 1 jar
- 6 Sauces 1 jar
- 7 Preserves 1 jar

Section F Honey and Eggs

- 1 Honey, white 1 jar
- 2 Honey, amber 1 jar
- 3 White eggs 1 doz.
- 4 Brown eggs 1 doz.
- 5 Eggs, other colors ½ doz

Section G Wine, Homemade

- 1 Grape 1 bottle
- 2 Non grape 1 bottle
- 3 Grape from concentrate 1 bottle
- 4 Aperitif 1 bottle

Section H Wood Craft

- 1 Hand carved
- 2 Machine assisted carved
- 3 Turned
- 4 Wood inlaying
- 5 Toy
- 6 Birdhouse
- 7 Adult & Child Collaboration

Section I

Home Baking I

- 1 Bread 1
- 2 Buns 3
- 3 Scones 3
- 4 Muffins 3
- 5 Loaf 1
- 6 Cake 1
- 7 Gluten free product

Home Baking II

- 8 Cookies 3
- 9 Bars 3
- 10 Tarts 3
- 11 Fruit Pie 1

Home Baking III

- 12 Cookies, decorated 3
- 13 Cup Cakes, decorated 3
- 14 Decorated cake 1

Section J Photography

- 1 Nature (landscape, flora)
- 2 People (portraits, individual or groups)

- 3 Animals (pets or wildlife)

- 4 Action (subject in motion)

- 5 Black & White
(nature, people, animals)

- 6 Digitally enhanced for effect,
more than standard processing

Section K

Needlework and Textiles I

- 1 Crochet and tatting
- 2 Knitting
- 3 Embroidery
- 4 Cross stitch
- 5 Needlepoint
- 6 Weaving
- 7 Felting

Needlework and Textiles II

- 8 Beading on fabric
- 9 Decorated Fabric
- 10 Sewing
- 11 Quilting, small Blanket
- 12 Stuffed animal or doll
- 13 Doll clothes

Section L

Arts and Crafts I

- 1 Painting
- 2 Drawing

Arts and Crafts II

- 3 Sculpture
- 4 Pottery & Ceramics
- 5 Metal
- 6 Resin
- 7 Glasswork
- 8 Paper raft
- 9 Beadwork

Arts and Crafts III

- 10 Lego**NO KITS (12"x12")
- 11 Adult and child collaboration 12"x12"
- 12 Collection 12"x12"

Section M Recycled

***Max size 12"x12"

- 1 Textile
- 2 Metal
- 3 Paper
- 4 Plastic
- 5 Wood
- 6 Glass
- 7 Mixed media

Section N Animals

- 1 Chicken, white 1 pair
- 2 Chicken, brown 1 pair
- 3 Chicken, black 1 pair
- 4 Chicken, Banti 1 pair
- 5 Ducks 1 pair
- 6 Rabbit 1 pair
- 7 Rabbit pet