

# **The 4-H General Tent**

## **Divisions 1-25**

The General Tent is where all 4-H members, Cloverbuds and clubs can display their finished work for any non-animal project area. 4-H members have a wide variety of interests and talents, and the General Tent is where they can fully showcase them!

### **General Tent Rules**

1. To be eligible for any awards in Divisions 1-25, the entry must be listed on a Fair Entry Form (General, Club, Cloverbud, Food) received by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
2. All items must be submitted to the **General 4-H Tent on Fair Grounds between 10am - 4pm on Wed, July 12th, 2017**  
**NOTE:** Divisions 5-9 must be submitted to Foods Judging by 10:00am on Mon, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to 1623 Whitesville Rd, Toms River, auditorium-photos of foods will be present at Fair.
3. 4-H members are wholly responsible for the care of their General Tent entries.  
This includes:
  - Watering plant entries
  - Providing weather protection (laminating, presentation boxes, proper weighting, etc.)
  - Weighting down display items

**NOTE:** Ocean County 4-H will not provide any materials to weather protect your entries. Any entry that is shown to be neglected during the Ocean County Fair will have their awards voided.

### **General Tent FAQ**

#### **1. Can I bring something I made in school, church or camp?**

Yes! Items made outside of 4-H activities are accepted, and no reasonable entries will be denied.

#### **2. Can I submit entries in more than one division?**

Yes! As long as the entries display a high level of effort and dedication, members may submit entries to multiple divisions.

#### **3. What is the difference between a poster, exhibit, and display?**

- A POSTER is flat and on poster board (thick paper). Please note poster size on entry form.
- An EXHIBIT is three dimensional and has multiple components that represent the purpose of the exhibit. Usually displayed on a presentation tri-fold or a tri-fold wooden board.
- A DISPLAY includes a tri-fold board and other items placed on the table in front of the board. Displays are intended to provide a more comprehensive exploration of a topic.

**Please contact the Ocean County 4-H Office early to reserve a tri-fold wooden board.**  
Tri-fold wooden boards are more stable and the best tool for creating your exhibit or display!

## **Divisions 1-4: 4-H Pride and Participation**

### **Division 1: Club Entries**

Open to all 4-H Clubs. Only newly designed or redesigned entries will be judged.

#### **Entries will be judged on:**

Power to attract attention	20pts
4-H message	40pts
General appearance, quality of work	30pts
Originality and effort	10pts

#### **A. Club Booth**

The Club Booth summarizes your club's activities during the 4-H Year.

All club booths must be displayed on a wooden board provided by the Ocean County 4-H Office.

Items may be placed in front of the display board, but be sure all items are weather-protected.

#### **B. Banner**

Advertise your club proudly on a unique banner!

#### **C. Club Scrapbook**

Use photos and other items to summarize your club's activities during the 4-H Year.

#### **D. Club Exhibit**

Must fill a 4x8 foot space in the General 4-H Tent, but can be on any topic!

It is recommended that club exhibits be displayed on a wooden board provided by the Ocean County 4-H Office. Be sure to include table coverings, visuals and any additional items to teach the public about your topic.

### **Division 2: Cloverbud**

Cloverbuds are any 4-H participants in Grades K-3. The Cloverbud program is non-competitive.

Therefore, participation ribbons will be awarded to all entries, but no evaluation or ratings will be given.

Under the General Tent, Cloverbuds may only participate in Division 2, and with their club in Division 1.

### **Division 3: Individual Work**

#### **A. Member Scrap Book**

#### **B. Project Record Book**

1. Beginner – First year participating in project.
2. Novice – Second year participating in project.
3. Experienced – Three or more years participating in project.

#### **C. Other**

### **Division 4: Public Presentations and Demonstrations**

#### **A. Individual**

#### **B. Team**

#### **C. Group Performance**

## Divisions 5-9: Food Items

### Divisions 5-9 Rules

1. All food entries must be included on a Food Fair Entry Form submitted by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
2. Entries will be submitted to the Ocean County 4-H Office between 8:30am – 10am on June 26<sup>th</sup>.
3. Every entry must be displayed on a white plate and be accompanied by a completed recipe card.

### Division 5: Baked Goods

#### A. Cakes

1. Four cupcakes
2. One Pound Cake
3. Cheesecake
4. One cake – all varieties (fruit, vegetable, etc)
5. Other

#### B. Pastry

1. Pie
2. Danish
3. Filled Pastry
4. Other

#### C. Cookies – Four cookies must be on plate

1. Drop cookies
2. Cookies from a press
3. Rolled cookies
4. Cookie Bars
5. Other

### Division 6: Breads

#### A. Quick Breads

1. Four muffins with or without variations
2. Four biscuits with or without variations
3. One coffee cake
4. One loaf of quick bread
5. One loaf of fruit or vegetable quick bread
6. Other

#### B. Yeast Breads

1. Loaf of bread – all varieties
2. Four rolls – all varieties
3. Four pretzels
4. Four donuts
5. Other

### Division 7: Decorated Foods

#### A. Cake

#### B. Cupcakes

#### C. Cookies

#### D. Other

### Division 8: Craft Foods

#### A. Candy

#### B. Unique chefs – Box mixes used with alterations

#### C. Other

### Division 9: Meal-time Foods

Because of the concern of food safety, entries must arrive in a cooler with ice packs and be presented in a sturdy dish. 4-H members may pick up coolers, plates, etc. later in the day.

#### A. Produce Salads – Fruit, Green

#### B. Starch Salads – Potato, Macaroni, etc

#### C. Side dishes (no meat)

#### D. Other

## Divisions 10-11: Plants and Horticulture

### Divisions 10-11 Rules

1. Entries may be disqualified from showing if insect infestation or disease is observed.
2. Members must provide proper care for their plants throughout the entire fair.  
NOTE: Neglected plants will be disqualified from judging and the exhibitor will be asked not to participate in the division at future fairs.
3. Exhibited vegetables and fruits must be on white paper plate.
4. Three samples or stems per variety, unless noted.
5. All varieties must be properly labeled. Record the variety name from the seed package.  
*For Example:* Beans – Contender

### Division 10: Edible Garden

#### A. Vegetables

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|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Beans – 4                       | 5. Squash – 1   |
| 2. Combined beans – 3/each variety | 6. Eggplant – 1 |
| 3. Peppers – 2 with stem           | 7. Other        |
| 4. Tomatoes – 3 with stem          |                 |

#### B. Vegetable Plant in container

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|-------------|--------------------|
| 1. Bean     | 5. Peppers         |
| 2. Cucumber | 6. Tomatoes        |
| 3. Lettuce  | 7. Mixed vegetable |
| 4. Squash   | 8. Other           |

#### C. Herbs

1. 3 stems in water or a plant in a pot
2. Herb Garden (At least 3 different herbs must be showcased)

#### D. Fruit

1. Cup of small fruit
2. Specimen of tree fruit

### Division 11: Flower Garden

#### A. Cut flowers (Must be in a container with water)

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|--------------|---------------|
| 1. Annuals   | 3. Perennials |
| 2. Biennials |               |

#### B. Floral arrangement

#### C. Annuals in Pot - *No pre-made hanging baskets or pots.*

*Seedling arrangements must be created by the Ocean County 4-H member.*

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. One specimen – small pot | 3. One Specimen – large pot |
| 2. Three or more varieties  | 4. Hanging basket           |

# Divisions 12-19: Handicrafts and Hobbies

## Division 12: Clothing

### Division 12 Rules

1. Members must wear garment as part of judging during the fair. If unable to meet this requirement, prior arrangements must be made with Fashion Show coordinator.
2. 4-H member must provide a small safety pin for fastening entry tags to their garments.
3. Members may show two items in the same class if different patterns and materials are used.

#### A. Beginner

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|-----------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1. Tote         | 5. Vest                                     |
| 2. Simple Skirt | 6. Drawstring/elastic waist shorts or pants |
| 3. Simple Dress | 7. Other                                    |
| 3. Apron        |                                             |

#### B. Intermediate

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Unlined jacket    | 5. Jogging Suit               |
| 2. Simple Skirt      | 6. Blouse with set in sleeves |
| 3. Slacks & Vest     | 7. Other                      |
| 4. Housecoat or Robe |                               |

#### C. Advanced

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|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Wool Skirt          | 4. Two piece tailored outfit |
| 2. Party or prom dress | 5. Other                     |
| 3. Jacket or coat      |                              |

## Division 13: Textiles

### Division 13 Rules

1. Kits are allowed but must be indicated on entry tag.
2. Wall hangings must be framed – please leave back exposed for judging

#### A. Beginner (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> project year)

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|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Knitting                          | 4. Quilting |
| 2. Embroidery, needlepoint, quilting | 5. Other    |
| 3. Crochet                           |             |

#### B. Intermediate (3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> project year)

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|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Knitting                          | 4. Quilting |
| 2. Embroidery, needlepoint, quilting | 5. Other    |
| 3. Crochet                           |             |

#### C. Advanced 5<sup>th</sup> project year and up)

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|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Knitting                          | 4. Quilting |
| 2. Embroidery, needlepoint, quilting | 5. Other    |
| 3. Crochet                           |             |

## **Division 14: Fine Art**

### **Division 14 Rules**

1. All entries must include a description of medium used.
2. Painting and drawing entries should be mounted on semi-rigid surface.
3. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

**A. Painting**  
**B. Drawing**

**C. Sculpture**  
**D. Other**

## **Division 15: Crafts**

### **Division 15 Rules**

1. All entries must include a description of medium used.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

**A. Jewelry**  
**B. Glass**  
**C. Mosaic**

**D. Leather**  
**E. Other**

## **Division 16: Vocational Skills**

### **Division 16 Rules**

1. All entries must include a description of medium used.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

**A. Wood Working**  
1. From Kit  
2. From Scratch  
**B. Metal Work**

**C. Automotive**  
**D. Other**

## **Division 17: Photography**

### **Division 17 Rules**

1. Photos may be no larger than 8"x10"
2. 4-H members may only submit 2 entries per class (A, B, C, D)
3. Entries must be mounted on a semi-rigid surface (poster board), not framed.
4. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries – Laminating the photo or placing it in a plastic sleeve are highly recommended
5. Exhibitors should put their name on the back of their photos.

**A. Photo story – 4 or more pictures mounted together that tell a story**

**B. Individual photographs**

1. Scenery
2. Panorama
3. Individual subject
4. Extreme close-up

**C. Funny Pet Photo** (Note: Entry work does not apply to Photography project)

**D. Video**

## **Division 18: Written Works**

### **Division 18 Rules**

1. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries. Binders and/or plastic sheet-protectors are highly recommended

#### **A. Short stories**

#### **B. Poems**

#### **C. Articles for publication**

#### **D. Non-fiction reports**

1. Biography
2. History event
3. Science
4. Literature

#### **E. Illustrated stories**

1. Anime
2. Comics
3. Child's story

## **Division 19: Hobbies**

### **Division 19 Rules**

1. All entries should be clearly labeled and be accompanied by an entry description.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

#### **A. Collections - Four or more similar items**

#### **B. Boating**

#### **C. Cultural Explorations**

#### **D. Scrapbooking**

#### **E. Other**

## **Divisions 20-22: Science and Technology**

### **Division 20: Science and Technology**

#### **Division 20 Rules**

1. It must be clearly noted on the Fair Entry Form whether the entry is a poster, exhibit or display.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

#### **A. Earth and Space**

1. Climate and Weather
2. Sun and Moon
3. Geology
4. Rocketry

#### **B. Animal**

1. Animals
2. Veterinary Science
3. Extinct
4. Human

#### **C. Electrical**

1. Circuitry
2. Computer

#### **D. Alternative Energy**

#### **E. Engineering**

### **Division 21: Environmental Science**

#### **Division 21 Rules**

1. It must be clearly noted on the Fair Entry Form whether the entry is a poster, exhibit or display.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

#### **A. Forestry and Native Plants**

#### **B. Wild Animals**

#### **C. Marine Science**

#### **D. Outdoor Education and Recreation**

#### **E. Wetlands and Watersheds in New Jersey**

#### **F. Other**

### **Division 22: ATV**

#### **A. Exhibit**

#### **B. Display**

#### **C. Poster**

#### **D. Log**



## **Divisions 23 - 24: 4-H Mission Mandates**

### **Division 23: Healthy Living**

#### **Division 23 Rules**

1. It must be clearly noted on the Fair Entry Form whether the entry is a poster, exhibit or display.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

- A. Staying healthy**
- B. Character education**

### **Division 24: Citizenship**

#### **Division 24 Rules**

1. It must be clearly noted on the Fair Entry Form whether the entry is a poster, exhibit or display.
2. Exhibitors are solely responsible for weather-proofing their entries.

- A. Town, County and State**
- B. Parliamentary procedure**
- C. Federal Government**
- D. Community service**
- E. Other**

## **Division 25: Shooting Sports**

- A. Exhibit**
- B. Display**
- C. Poster**
- D. Log**
- E. Competition**

#### **Division 25:E Guidelines**

- Archery and Air Rifle competition registration forms are due to the Ocean County 4-H Office by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. One form per member.
- “Fun Shoot” events are open to the public. Registration forms will be available on the fairgrounds.
- Ocean County Bow Benders will follow NJ State Shooting Sports State Plan and Policy Guidelines (<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/shootingsports>)