

A TYPICAL WPGG GIANT PUMPKIN WEIGH-OFF

Before 9:00 am: *denotes that the WPGG may be able to provide, **host must provide

- ** Area of unloading/loading cordoned off, signs “Giant Pumpkin Entry Vehicles Only”
- * A platform scale with a base at least 4' x 4' (5' x 5' much better) set up. (20' x 20' or larger area reserved)
- * Sound system for announcer set up.
- * Table and chairs for at least 4 people to manage the paperwork, entry forms and awards
(protected from elements if possible)
- ** Forklift (two works well, can be done with one)
- ** Hand pallet jack (two works well, can be done with one)
- ** Area for display cordoned off for workers only
(speculative area big enough for 30 pallets and room to maneuver a forklift and pallet jacks amongst them)
Concrete area best for forklifts to maneuver
- **Designated parking area for participant's trucks, trailers, cars (speculate 10 trucks, 10 cars, 10 trucks with trailers)

9:00 – 11:00 am:

- *Unloading entries and placing them in designated display area
- *OTT measurements taken (this is a size measurement that generates an estimated weight)
- *Filling out forms, taping info on entries.
- *General supervision of event, announcements

11:00 – 2:00 pm:

- *Measuring, weighing and recording entry results

3:00 pm:

- *Announce results, hand out awards.

4:00 pm:

- Start releasing entries to contestants. Vehicles may pull into loading area.
- **Forklift use needed.

New WGPG Supported Weigh-Off Guidelines

The Wisconsin Giant Pumpkin Growers Club has voted to offer to pay a Greater Pumpkin Commonwealth's Weigh-Off registration fee up to \$375 (that would cover the entire fee) if the following minimum criteria is met by the host weigh-off site:

1) All WGPG Club Members have free entries

2) Have prize money for:

1st-10th Heaviest Giant Pumpkin

1st-3rd Heaviest Giant Squash

1st-3rd Heaviest Watermelon

1st- 3rd Heaviest Tomato

1st-3rd Heaviest Field Pumpkin

1st-3rd Longest Gourd

1st-3rd Heaviest Bushel Gourd

1st= 3rd Heaviest Marrow

Weigh-Offs with higher pay-outs will have more, bigger and heavier entries.

The following is a minimum pay-out structure.

Giant Pumpkin:	\$1000	500	300	200	100	90	80	70	60	50
Giant Squash:	\$200	100	50							
Watermelon:	\$100	75	50							
Tomato:	\$100	75	50							
Field Pumpkin:	\$100	75	50							
Long Gourd:	\$100	75	50							
Bushel Gourd:	\$100	75	50							
Marrow:	\$100	75	50							

The GPC is an International club promoting fairness and guidelines for entries worldwide. With a paid GPC registration fee, the Weigh-Off host gets International recognition as well as an awards package if fee is paid on time (May 1st). With the WGPG Club's offer to pay this fee for the Weigh-Off host, there is an assurance of fair competition.

The GPC's award package includes:

1st place plaques for Giant Pumpkin and Giant Squash, 1st Place Ribbons for Watermelon, Tomato, Field Pumpkin, Bushel Gourd, Marrow and Long Gourd, a Plaque for the Howard Dill Prettiest Pumpkin and Ribbons for 2nd-10th place Giant Pumpkins.