

HOMEMAKING DIVISION RULES

1. All general rules and regulations of the Jim Wells County Fair Association will apply.

2. No entry fee will be charged for placing exhibits in the fair; however, all youth entries must be a member of 4-H, FFA, FCCLA or an organized club and must sell one (1) fair membership. All adult (19-59) entries must be a member of the Jim Wells County Fair Association. The Senior Citizen division is open to any county resident 60 years of age or over.

Age Groups:

Group 1	Pee Wee (age as of September 1 st) Kinder-2 nd Grade
Group 2	Junior (age as of September 1 st) 3 rd – 5 th Grade
Group 3	Intermediate (age as of September 1 st) 6 th – 8 th Grade
Group 4	Senior (age as of September 1 st) 9 th – 12 th Grade
Group 5	Adult - 19-59 years
Group 6	Senior Citizen - 60 years or over

3. All entries **MUST** be the complete work of the exhibitor and completed within one (1) calendar year of the previous fair. All entries must be undamaged and clean. Unfinished entries will not be accepted.

4. Any entry which has been entered and judged previously in the Jim Wells County Fair, cannot be exhibited or judged again.

5. Participants may enter as many entries in any given division, but only two (2) per class, with the exception of photography. Only one photo per class will be accepted.

6. Entries that do not follow the Homemaking Division Rules will be disqualified. Disqualifications may occur during judging. Acceptance of an entry at check-in is not an acknowledgement that an entry meets all Homemaking Division Rules. The Superintendent of each department has the authority to reject unworthy exhibits or items not packaged according to division rules or reclassify any articles. Food items requiring refrigeration will be disqualified.

7. All entries must be pre-registered to be eligible for judging. Entry forms must be filled out completely and have a brief description of each entry. **Entry forms will be available on the Jim Wells County Fair Association website and must be turned in during Home Economics Entry Registration on the second Sunday of September between 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the Home Economics building.** No late entries will be accepted.

8. Youth and adult entry check-in to the Jim Wells County Fair will take place in the Home Economics building on Monday of fair week between 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Senior citizen entries will be accepted from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. No late arrivals will be accepted. All 3x5 index cards for entries must be completed and placed with entry before checking in. Pre-registration description must match the item turned in. Food items must have a copy of the recipe without the participant's name included on the form.

9. Judge's orientation will begin at 8:30 a.m., followed by judging of items at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday of fair week. Only the judges, superintendents, assistants and appointed tabulators will be allowed in the Home Economics building during judging. Superintendents will not be the final tabulators.

10. In each class, there must be at least three similar pre-registered entries to be eligible for a class winner ribbon. Items in classes with fewer than three entries may still be eligible for division winner if they have a blue ribbon.

11. Entries will be judged and given ribbons according to scores received. Ribbons are awarded based on scores with a 90-100 = Blue Ribbon and 80-89 = Red Ribbon. Any score below 80 will not receive a ribbon. There will be Class Winner Ribbons awarded in each class when there are

three (3) or more similar pre-registered entries. A Blue Ribbon or Class Winner Ribbon is required for Division Winner Ribbon.

12. Only a portion of the cakes will be displayed, the remaining portion must be removed from the Home Economics Building after judging on Tuesday between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Any items not picked up by 7:00 p.m. will be thrown away. Other items which may be removed on Tuesday are entries that are rejected or disqualified.

13. Point System: Exhibitors may enter as many items as desired but only the top 25 high scoring entries will be used for determining Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in each age division. Exhibitors will still be awarded ribbons for all items. Points will be tabulated as follows: score from individual class, +5 points for Class Winner + 10 points for Division Winner.

Ex. #1: 92 points (item score) +5 for Class Winner = 97 points.

Ex. #2: 95 points (item score) +5 for Class Winner +10 for Division Winner = 110 points.

14. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Banner and Plaque will be awarded to the individuals with the most points in each age group: Pee Wee, Junior, Intermediate, Senior, Adult and Senior Citizen. Points will be tabulated from their judging results. In case of a tie, the individual with the most class & division winner ribbons from the top 25 high scoring entries will be the winner. The Grand Champion Sweepstakes Award may only be awarded to the same individual two (2) consecutive years in any age group. **The Sweepstakes Awards will be presented at the Parade-of Champions on Saturday of fair week.**

15. Persons interested in buying items may contact the owner.

16. All entries are to be picked up on Saturday of fair week between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. After Sunday, unclaimed items with the exception of food entries will be donated to local charitable organizations. The Home Economics Division will not be responsible for unclaimed items.

17. Any protest must be lodged immediately, with a \$250.00 deposit to the Home Economics Division Chairmen. The \$250.00 will be forfeited if protest is not upheld. The protest committee will consist of Home Economics Division Chairmen and Fair Board Appointed Committee. The protest committee's decision will be final.

HOME ECONOMICS ENTRY REGISTRATION

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SCHEDULED ITEM</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>END</u>
2nd Sunday; September	Entry Forms Due	2:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.

HOME ECONOMICS BUILDING SCHEDULE

<u>FAIR WEEK DAY</u>	<u>SCHEDULED ITEM</u>	<u>OPEN</u>	<u>CLOSE</u>
Monday	Senior Citizen Entries Due	12:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
	All Youth and Adult Entries Due	3:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Judging of Entries	8:30 a.m.	Late p.m.
	Pick up Cakes	5:00 p.m.	7:00p.m.
Wednesday	Open to Public	10:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Open to Public	10:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Friday	Open to Public	10:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Open to Public	9:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
	Pick Up All Items	5:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.