

DEPARTMENT 127

CHRISTMAS TREES EXHIBIT

GENERAL INFORMATION

Chairperson: Laura Dooley

Judge: Jack Jackson

Contact Information: Laura- (617) 438-9097

This competition is sanctioned by the Essex County Tree Farmers and the Massachusetts Christmas Tree Association for the promotion of high quality, locally grown, natural Christmas Trees.

IMPORTANT DATES

Entry Form Due: Bring with Trees

Entry Receiving: Thursday, September 30th, 2021

(Noon-6:00pm)

Entry Pick Up: Tuesday, October 12th, 2021 (2-5:45pm)

Entry Fee: None

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Trees are to be 6 to 8 feet high from the bottom of the handle to the tip of the leader. Trees will be supported on a base to be furnished by the Fair.
2. Trees will be judged on the following:

FEATURE	POINTS	DESCRIPTION
Color	15	Normal for species
Taper	10	Spruce & fir 40-70%, Pine 40-90%
Density	20	Medium density scores higher
Naturalness	10	Not perfectly smooth outside surface
Defects	20	Straightness of stem, pest injury, holes, mechanical injury
Foliage	15	Fresh, clean, uniform
Handle	10	Well trimmed – 1” per foot of height
Cleanliness	10	No grass, leaves, etc.
Merchantability	10	How saleable is it

3. Trees must be exhibited in the name of the landowner or the grower. All trees must be plantation grown in Massachusetts. Trees must be adequately tagged with the name and address of the exhibitor and class to be entered. If the exhibitor wishes to take the tree after the Fair, they should so state on the tag. Trees will be on exhibit from **Friday, October 1st, 2021** at 1:00 pm until **Monday, October 11th, 2021** at 10:00 pm.
4. Exhibitors may enter any or all classes but submit only one entry in each class.
5. After judging on Friday, October 1st, 2021, trees will be identified with the exhibitor's name and address.
6. All trees must be submitted to the Topsfield Fair Christmas Tree Contest Committee between **Noon and 6:00 pm Thursday, September 30th, 2021**.
7. Please bring entry form to the Fair with trees.

DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

Entry and Awards

Awards:

BEST OF SHOW \$50.00 and Engraved Bowl

FIRST \$50.00

SECOND \$40.00

THIRD \$30.00

FOURTH \$25.00

CLASS B

1. Douglas Fir
2. All Other Fir
3. Blue Spruce
4. All Other Spruce
5. Scotch Pine
6. All Other Pine

GENERAL ENTRY FORM

FOR USE ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS (CHECK ONE DEPARTMENT ONLY. USE SEPARATE ENTRY FORM FOR EACH DEPARTMENT.)

- Canning Farm Photo Contest Pulling Contests Junior Age _____
- Christmas Trees Flowers Vegetables Professional
- Crafts Grange
- Fruit

PLEASE PRINT OR PLACE LABEL HERE: (One category per form. Please copy form as needed.)

Name _____

Email _____

Street _____ Tel. No. _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Department No. _____ Exhibitor No. _____

Section	Class No.	Description

• Please feel free to make photocopies of this form •

File with or mail all entries to: Topsfield Fair, P.O. Box 134, Topsfield, MA 01983

SEE INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENT RULES FOR ENTRY DATES