## 2023 FORT BEND COUNTY PECAN SHOW RULES

- Pecans must be from the current year crop and have been grown by the entrant. Pecans should be shown in the county where they were grown. "Out of county" entries are permitted if there is no county pecan show where grown. (Pecans can be entered in only one county pecan show). Any entries not grown in Fort Bend County must be labeled as "out of county".
- The grower may submit only one entry per variety. Any number of different seedlings, known hybrids or natives may be entered. All of the nuts in the entry must be of the same variety (nuts from different trees are permitted as long as they are of the same variety). Entries with mixed varieties will be disqualified. Pecan varieties will be judged in one of the three divisions: COMMERCIAL DIVISION, CLASSIC DIVISION AND NEW DIVISION, OR NATIVES DIVISION. Pecan varieties have been assigned to each division. The NATIVES DIVISION includes entries for the smallest pecan determined by the greatest number of nuts per pound.
- The grower must enter <u>50 nuts (in shell) of a single variety</u>. The finest nuts should be carefully selected in preparing an entry. Nuts should be uniform in shape, size and general appearance. Consistent show winners select nuts one by one for their entry. Entries with nuts that have been cut, sanded, polished or otherwise altered will be disqualified. Avoid entering green nuts or those affected by pests or disease.
- The entry must be securely bagged or boxed and include the online tag or label with the entrant's name, physical address, email address, telephone number, and the variety of pecan. If you are unsure of the variety, simply tag it as "variety unknown".
- All entries become the property of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Fort Bend County.

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**Deadline:** Entries must be dropped off by **3:00 pm, Wednesday, November 15**, **2023** at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office - Fort Bend County, 1402 Band Road, Rosenberg, Texas.

**Judging:** Entries will be judged on **Friday, November 17, 2023** and results will be exhibited at the Pecan Harvest Festival of Richmond on **Saturday, November 18, 2023**, on Morton Street at historic downtown Richmond, Texas. (Winners will be notified so that photos can be taken at the Pecan Harvest Festival.)

**Entry form:** To complete the online entry form, visit <u>https://fortbend.agrilife.org</u> or complete an entry at time of submission drop-off.

For questions, contact Lorraine Niemeyer, Administrative Assistant - AgNR/Hort. at at <u>lorraine.niemeyer@ag.tamu.edu</u> or 281-633-7033.



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