

8TH ANNUAL HOMEBREW CONTEST

Judging Saturday, August 27, 11:00am - 3:00pm, Best in Show at 3:30pm

The contest is BJCP registered and open to any amateur homebrewer age 21 and older. Entrants will have their entries judged according to the 2021 BJCP guidelines by at least two judges and will be provided with BJCP scoresheet feedback for each entry.

BJCP Guidelines are available at:
https://bjcp.org/download/2021_Guidelines_Beer.pdf

Online Registration begins: July 11, 2022 at:
www.champlainvalleyfair.org - Under the competitions section on the website.

Online Registration ends: Aug 13, 2022

Entry fee - none

Entry Drop Off

Shipping entries is not allowed. Drop off entries weekdays 9:00am-4:00pm from August 15 to August 19 (No Saturdays or Sundays).

Drop off at the administrative offices, 105 Pearl Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452.

There are 4 total categories. Total contest is limited to 100 entries.

Each entry will consist of three 12-22 ounce bottles or cans. Brewers must submit two or three 12-22 ounce bottles/cans for each entry. Brewers submitting two bottles/cans do so at their own risk, since there might not be a bottle/can available to advance to the Best of Show round.

Capped bottles, corked bottles, PET bottles with carbonator caps, and swing top bottles are allowed. 12oz brown glass bottles are preferred, however green and clear glass will be accepted. Cans are also accepted. Bottles will not be returned to contest entrants.

All entries must be handcrafted products, containing ingredients available to the general public, and made using private equipment by hobbyist brewers (i.e. no use of commercial facilities or Brew on Premises operations, supplies, etc.).

All entries should be labelled with category (1-4), the BJCP category and subcategory, and any additional information required by the BJCP guidelines before time of drop-off. Bottles/cans should be void of all personally identifying information. Caps should be blacked out or blank. At the time of drop-off, entrants will receive one free day-pass for the Fair for the day of the competition.

Awards

Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each of the 4 categories. There will also be a Best of Show Award for the best beer of the competition.

Category 1: Malt-Showcases malt up to 8% ABV

Category 2: Hops-Showcases hops up to 8% ABV

Category 3: Specialty-Showcases other ingredients up to 8% ABV

Category 4: Imperial- All beers over 8% ABV

Best in Show - Chosen by Judges as the best overall example in the competition.

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