

2024

The Minnesota State Fair Homebrew Competition

Sponsored by

Minnesota Home Brewers Association (MHBA)



Beer/Mead/Cider Categories

The competition committee will determine the final award categories based on the number and styles of entries received. For your reference, below are last year's (2023) award categories:

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| 1 | American Lager | 16 | Hazy IPA |
| 2 | Cream Ale | 17 | Belgian and French |
| 3 | International and Czech Lager | 18 | Monastic Ale |
| 4 | Pale European Lager | 19 | Saison |
| 5 | Amber and Dark European Beer | 20 | Historical Beer |
| 6 | Kölsch | 21 | Sour Ale |
| 7 | Strong European Beer | 22 | Fruit / Spice / Herb / Vegetable Beer |
| 8 | Weissbier | 23 | Smoked & Wood-Aged |
| 9 | British Bitter and Brown | 24 | Specialty and Alternative Beer |
| 10 | Scottish and Irish Ale | 25 | Standard Cider and Perry |
| 11 | American Wheat | 26 | Specialty Cider and Perry |
| 12 | Pale Ale | 27 | Traditional Mead |
| 13 | American Amber, Brown and Porter | 28 | Fruit Mead – Cyser / Pyment |
| 14 | Stout | 29 | Fruit Mead – Berry / Stone Fruit / Melomel |
| 15 | IPA and Strong Ale | 30 | Spice and Specialty Mead |

Note: All entries will be judged according to the style in which they were originally entered according to the current BJCP Style Guidelines.

HOMEBREW COMPETITION RULES

1. The Minnesota State Fair Homebrew Competition is open ONLY to Minnesota residents.
2. **Registration required.** Entries must be registered through mnstatefair.brewingcompetitions.com.
3. All rules, entry forms and registration information will be handled by competition officials from the Minnesota Home Brewers Association (MHBA). Registration and complete rules are available on the website mnstatefair.brewingcompetitions.com.
4. Entry fee of **\$10 per entry**. Only one entry per BJCP subcategory. Entries will only be accepted from non-professional brewers from Minnesota.
5. All entries will be judged according to the style in which they were originally entered according to the BJCP Style Guidelines. Award categories may be combined or split as needed to accommodate limitations in judging.
6. Registered entries must be delivered to the following designated drop-off locations starting July 8th and ending 5pm Friday August 9th.
 - Beer Meister (Drop off ONLY; do not ship to this address)
3795 Pinto Dr.
Medina, MN 55340
 - Northern Brewer World Headquarters
2221 HWY 36 West
Roseville, MN 55113
7. If you are **shipping** your registered entries, they must be **received by Friday, July 28** to:
 - Northern Brewer, LLC
ATTN: 2024 MN State Fair
2221 Hwy 36 West
Roseville, MN 55113
8. **DO NOT mail or deliver beer to the Minnesota State Fair. The Minnesota State Fair will not take delivery of any beer entries.**