

IOWA EGG COUNCIL
2017 IOWA STATE FAIR EGG DECORATING CONTEST RULES

1. Only one entry per person is allowed.
2. Entries must be from an individual and not a joint effort.
3. **Previous winners may participate in the contest.**
4. All entry forms and artist biography must be received by **August 7, 2017.**
5. Any artistic medium may be used to decorate the egg; however, all eggs must relate to the Iowa State Fair.
6. Only **large** chicken eggs, with contents removed, may be used. **Eggs other than large will not be eligible for judging.** If you have questions regarding the size of your egg, please contact the Iowa Egg Council.
7. Eggs must be freestanding without an attached base, stand or decoration on the bottom and must balance easily. Anything top heavy or built out on one side could be a problem. Stands will be provided for display purposes.
8. The small end of the egg must be facing up.
9. Any legal resident of the state of Iowa may enter the contest.
10. **All entries become the property of the Iowa Egg Council and will not be returned. By entering the contest, contestants acknowledge and agree that they assign to the Iowa Egg Council any and all rights to future use of the eggs entered in the contest. This includes any and all commercial or non-commercial uses of the eggs entered, titles given to entries, names of the contestants and any other collateral material or related issues of usage.**
11. The decision of the winning eggs shall be made by the judges and will be final.
12. Any question regarding the operation of the contest shall be resolved at the discretion of the Iowa Egg Council.
13. Contestants acknowledge and agree that no financial and/or other consideration will be due to any entrants, whether place winners or not, for their participation in the contest except that the Iowa Egg Council may or may not provide prizes for certain contestants. Taxes on any prizes received by contests are the responsibility of the contestants.
14. Contestants may send their entries to the Iowa Egg Council office if they are unable to attend the fair judging on **Thursday, August 10, 2017 from at 12 PM** in the Agricultural Building at the Iowa State Fair. We must receive the entries by Monday, August 8. The entry becomes the property of the Iowa Egg Council once it is in the Council's possession and any damage that may occur is not the responsibility of the Iowa Egg Council.
15. Any questions regarding these rules should be directed to the Iowa Egg Council. The decision of the Council regarding interpretations or the issuance of rulings is final.
16. American Egg Board members, Iowa Egg Council members, staff and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.
17. Prizes for the contest will include: First place: \$500 cash prize, Second place: \$400 cash prize and Third place: \$300 cash prize.
18. The Iowa Egg Council reserves the right to disqualify any artists/eggs not following these rules or for any other reason.

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All eggs will be judged equally on five factors (20% each), as follows:

1. **The Design** (Iowa State Fair theme, uniqueness, and overall appeal)
2. **Artistic Merit** (quality of work with media)
3. **Creativity** (use of unique ideas/materials)
4. **Technical Merit** (clean edges, glue hidden, attractive finishing, etc.)
5. **Effective use of the Egg** (meaningful use of space and shape)