

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS



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### STATEWIDE AGRICULTURAL FAIRS JUDGING WORKSHOPS/MEETING

The Department of Agricultural Resources is pleased to present three Agricultural Fair Judging Workshops this spring to be held in the western, eastern and northeastern area of the State. In order to be a Certified Judge for Fruits, Vegetables, Canning and Community/ Grange Exhibits, a judge candidate needs to attend instructional training as well as take a test based on the information presented at instructional training. Information covered is based on *the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Blue Book*. To become a Class One Certified Judge, the judge candidate will be required to pass the test with a score of 80% or higher. To become a Class Two Certified Judge, the judge candidate will be required to pass the test with a score of 80% or higher as well as mentor a Massachusetts Certified Agricultural Fair Judge(s) to at least 3 agricultural fairs held in Massachusetts within the next 18 month from the date of passing the test.

**To Register:** Contact Ellen Hart at MA Department of Agricultural Resources, fax or email attached form to Ellen Hart, fax: 617-626-1850 or email: [Ellen.Hart@state.ma.us](mailto:Ellen.Hart@state.ma.us) Deadline for registering is the Wednesday prior to the Saturday meeting location.

#### **Meeting Locations and Details:**

**Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> - Western Area:** Main floor of the Massachusetts Building located on the Eastern States Exposition Fairgrounds, 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield.

**Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup> - Northeastern Area:** Carriage House located at the Topsfield Fairgrounds, Route 1 in Topsfield.

**Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> - Southeastern Area:** Marshfield Fairgrounds Administration building 140 Main St, Marshfield.

#### **Schedule for the Day**

**8:00AM-8:30 AM-** Registration

**8:30 AM -10:00 AM-** Instructional Training in Preparation for Certification Test

**10:00AM-10:15AM** -Break Time

**10:15AM-11:45 AM-** Second Round of Instructional Training for Certification Test

**11:45AM-12:15PM** -Lunch Break

**12:15PM-1:45PM** -Certification Test

**2:00PM -3:45pm** -Informational Meeting with Livestock, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep and other appropriate (tbd) animals

**4:00PM-** Adjourn after Questions

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### Registration Form for Judges Workshops/ Meetings

Name(s) Attending:

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Agricultural Fair Affiliation (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list what Workshop/ Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Will those listed above being attending both morning Workshop and afternoon Meeting:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    How many for the Workshop \_\_\_\_\_    How many for the Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No

How many will be staying for lunch: # \_\_\_\_\_

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Western Area Deadline: Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

Northeastern Area Deadline: Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

Southeastern Area Deadline: Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>