

2020 Delaware Farm Bureau Photo Contest Rules and Regulations

Deadline: May 1, 2020 - October 31, 2020

Am I eligible?

The contest is open to any Delaware *amateur* photographer (one who does not regularly receive income from photography).

All photo entries will be judged the same regardless of the participants age, there is no age specific categories.

What is the subject matter?

Original photos should showcase Delaware agriculture, depicting subjects such as fresh food, farm products being grown/harvested, animals on the farm, family farm life, and technology in the field (drone, irrigation, tractor view).

Fresh Food - Any food subject that is fresh from the farm, or shown at a Delaware market stand, etc.

Farm Products being grown or harvested - Any farm crop shown being grown in a farm field, or any crop being planted/harvested.

Animals on the farm - Any farm animal being shown on the farm.

Family Farm Life - Any subject showing a family on the farm whether working, playing, etc. or any subject showing people working on the farm, in equipment, etc.

Technology in the field – Any subject of technology being used during planting/harvest/in the field, drone photos, irrigation, and view from the tractor (ex. autosteering being used).

How many photos may I enter?

Entrants may enter as many photos as they like.

Judging

A panel of judges selected by the DEFB shall select the winners. The panel of judges will be composed of people with expertise in public relations, graphics, photography and agricultural

literacy. Judging of the contest will be based on composition and arrangement, subject matter, technical and impact. Judges will pick the top 10 photo entries; those will then be promoted for voting by the public.

Contestants agree that the sole and final judgement as to all matters concerning the contest and interpretation of contest rules are at the sole discretion of the DEFB and their officers and staff.

What are the prizes?

- One (1) First Place winner - \$200, framed certificate, photo featured at DEFB Annual Meeting/Banquet, photo featured on wall at DEFB Office for 1 year
- One (1) Second Place winner - \$150, framed certificate, photo featured at DEFB Annual Meeting/Banquet, photo featured on wall at DEFB Office for 1 year
- One (1) Third Place winner - \$100, framed certificate, photo featured at DEFB Annual Meeting/Banquet, photo featured on wall at DEFB Office for 1 year
- One (1) Fourth Place winner - \$50, framed certificate, photo featured at DEFB Annual Meeting/Banquet, photo featured on wall at DEFB Office for 1 year
- Six (6) Honorable Mentions – Certificate

Contest Rules

- Photos must highlight **Delaware** agriculture as described above.
- Photos must be **original** and taken by the artist.
- Photos **may not** have been or be entered in any other contest.
- Photos must accurately reflect the subject matter and the scene **as it appears**. Photos digitally altered beyond standard optimization (such as removal of dust, cropping or reasonable adjustments to exposure, color and contrast) will not be chosen. Sepia and black-and-white photos are acceptable. **No nudity is allowed**.
- A completed entry form must be attached to each printed photo or submitted for photos entered online. Incomplete or illegible entry forms will not be accepted.

- If applicable, the model release portion of the form must also be completed and signed by each identifiable person in the photograph; a parent or guardian must sign for a minor.
- All photos become the property of DEFB and will not be returned.
- DEFB may, without offering any consideration to or obtaining the further permission of its submitter, use any such photo for any purpose, such as publishing it in Delaware Farm Bureau News, posting it on DFB websites or social media, photo book for purchase or reproducing it for Farm Bureau use.
- All decisions by DEFB as to the interpretation of these rules or the judging of photos are in its sole discretion and final.

Printed Photos:

- Photos must be at least 5 x 7 inches but no larger than 8½ x 11 inches, **un-matted** and **unframed**.
- Photos must be printed at the highest-quality printer setting and on photographic paper with matte or glossy finish. Any other finish, i.e. luster, metallic, etc, will be disqualified.
- **Turn off** the date stamp option on your camera. Photos with a date stamp or photographer's name on the photo will be disqualified.

Tips for best print quality:

- Take digital images to a commercial photo finisher (many retail stores have photo centers) and request a print size from 5 x 7 inches to 8½ x 11 inches.
- When printing photos on an in-home inkjet or laser printer, use the "best" quality photo print setting (see your printer's instruction manual).

How do I enter Digital photos?

Digital Photos (submitted online at <https://defb.org/photo-contest/>):

- All entries must have a resolution of 6 megapixels or greater. For more information, see "Image quality" below.

- Smartphone images may be submitted if they adhere to the resolution requirement (see “Image quality” below); otherwise, smartphone images should be printed and submitted as described in “Printed Photos” (above).
- Turn off the date stamp option on your camera. Photos with a date stamp or photographer’s name on the photo will be disqualified.
- All digital photos **must** be in .jpg format.
- Images not meeting these specifications will be ineligible.

Image quality:

- Set your camera to 6 megapixels or higher for photos by using the highest image-quality setting available on your camera. High-resolution settings on your camera may vary depending on brand. Check the documentation that came with your camera.
- Resolution can be calculated by multiplying the pixel width of the image by the pixel height. For example, a photograph taken with a 6-megapixel camera set for highest resolution and best quality produces images of about 2832 pixels by 2128 pixels, which are acceptable under the rules ($2832 \times 2128 = 6$ million pixels). Digital images must be of sufficient resolution to reproduce well on the printed page.

What is the entry deadline?

Mailed entries must be postmarked by October 31, 2020. Digital photos must be sent by October 31, 2020 as well.

How do I enter by mail?

Mail your printed photos with a **completed entry form** to:

Delaware Farm Bureau Photo Contest, Attn: Kali Voshell 3457 S. DuPont Highway, Camden, DE 19934

Notification of Winners

Winners will be notified by mail, email or phone by December 1, 2020.

Agreement

By entering this contest, you grant the Delaware Farm Bureau a royalty-free, worldwide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to use, publish, display, distribute, reproduce, edit, adapt and create derivative works of the submitted photograph, in whole or in part, in any media now known or hereafter discovered, including in use on websites, in publications and for promotional purposes, without compensation or prior notice to you, your successors or assigns, or any other person or entity. Entering a submission in this contest constitutes your irrevocable assignment, conveyance, and transference to DFB of these rights.

Questions? Contact Kali Voshell, (302) 697-3183, or kali.voshell@defb.org