



MACHINE-QUILTED QUILT COMPETITION

ELIGIBILITY, RULES AND REGULATIONS:

General Conditions

- A. Quilt must solely be made, and machine quilted by the exhibitor and exhibited and judged at a local Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies (OAAS) fair to be eligible for this competition.
- B. Quilt to be measured on the perimeter. Total perimeter measurement to be a minimum of 324 inches. Note the quilt can be square, rectangular etc. ALL 4 sides must be measured to determine the perimeter measurement
- C. Must have 3 layers (top, batting and back) and be quilted through all layers. Not mounted on a frame.
- D. Quilt may have a sleeve attached to the back for the purpose of hanging the quilt.
- E. The winner's name and pattern to be displayed at the Fair on sign provided by OAAS.
- F. Judging will occur at local fairs and district levels. A Provincial Grand Champion Machine-Quilted quilt will be selected at the Annual OAAS Convention.
- G. Upon making entry into the OAAS Machine Quilting Competition, the Exhibitor agrees to participate in any promotional activities related to the competition.
- H. The winning OAAS Machine-Quilted Quilt will not be eligible to compete in any future District and/or OAAS Provincial competition.
- I. Quilt must have visible machine quilting.
- J. The use of short arm and/or long arm (hand or computer guided) equipment is permitted on machine quilt entries.
- K. It is the quilter's responsibility to give credit to the original designer of their quilt pattern based on copyright rules.

Local Fair Competition

1. Each local fair is entitled to send only one Grand Champion Machine-Quilted Quilt, (min. 324" measured on the perimeter) judged the best of show, of all Machine-Quilted Quilts to the District Competition. **OR**

If any entry wins *Grand Champion* or *Best of Show* of all eligible *Machine-Quilted Quilts* at more than one Fair, the other Fairs at which this item was entered and won, should enter their *Reserve Champion* or *Second Best of Show* of eligible Machine-Quilted quilts in the District Competition.

NOTE: If an Exhibitor wins *Grand Champion* or *Best of Show* of all eligible *Machine-Quilted* at more than one Fair, the Exhibitor must consider their own Agricultural Society as the one from which the Quilt will be sent to the District competition, otherwise it should be sent from the Agricultural nearest his/her home address.

2. An Exhibitor who wins more than one Best of Show title with a different Machine-Quilted Quilt at different Fairs shall be entitled to enter each winning Quilt to compete at the District Competition
3. If an Exhibitor is exhibiting in more than 1 District, they are entitled to enter **different** winning quilts at different District Competitions but cannot enter the **same** quilt at more than one District Competition.
4. Local Homcraft Divisions are requested to judge a *Grand Champion* or *Best of Show* of all eligible *Machine-Quilted Quilt* as well as a *Reserve Champion* or *Second Best of Show* of eligible Machine-Quilted Quilt.

The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are judged from all first and second prize eligible Machine-Quilted Quilts.

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District Competition

1. Judging at the District Competitions will be the responsibility of each OAAS District.
2. The first-place winning Machine-Quilted quilt from the District Competition is eligible to enter the OAAS Championship Machine-Quilted Quilt Competition at the Annual Convention.

In cases where the winner of the District first prize Machine-Quilted Quilt decides not to enter the Final Championship Competition, the Second Prize Quilt winner at the District Competition will be eligible.

3. Each District is entitled to send only the Grand Champion Quilt, (min. 324” measured on the perimeter) judged the best of show of all Machine-Quilted Quilts to the Provincial Competition.
4. The Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies will award a ribbon and the District will award prize money of \$25.00 for first place, \$15.00 for second place and \$10.00 for third place to exhibitors of winning Machine-Quilted quilts at each District Competition.
5. A photo of the top three placed Machine-Quilted Quilts-at the District Competition must accompany the “OAAS Championship Quilt Entry Form”
6. All District entries must be registered on the OAAS Championship Entry Form, and returned to the OAAS Manager, by December 1.

Provincial Competition

1. Judges who officiate the Championship Machine Quilting Competition at the Annual Convention will be appointed by the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies.
2. All quilts entered in the competition **must be machine quilted.**
3. All entries must be received for judging by the Competition Coordinator in the designated room **by 5pm on the Thursday afternoon** of the Annual Convention of OAAS.
4. The competition coordinator will assign a number for each entry. This number will only identify entries during the judging process.
5. No exhibitor shall be permitted to place or attach any Fair or other Exhibitor identification on his or her entry. Please remove all tags, ribbons, etc.
6. No persons other than the judges and designated officials will be permitted to enter the designated judging room until after the judging and winner has been announced.
7. Any Exhibitor or any person acting on behalf of the Exhibitor who violates any of the Rules and Regulations or who interferes with the judges or the judging process shall be disqualified, and the entry will be removed from the competition.
8. No Machine-Quilted Quilt shall be removed from the display viewing area until the official closing of the viewing room and designated time of pick up.
9. The OAAS shall not be held liable for any loss occasioned by fire, theft, accident, condition of article, the negligence of other Exhibitors, officials or otherwise.
10. Any protests must be made to the Homecraft Division of the OAAS in writing within 5 working days after the last day of the convention.
11. The entry judged *Best of Show* at the February convention will be declared the *OAAS Champion Machine-Quilted Quilt.*

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A \$500.00 GRAND PRIZE will be awarded, and the Exhibitor will retain ownership of the quilt. A certificate and ribbon will also be awarded to the winner.

A \$100 RESERVE GRAND PRIZE will be awarded, and the Exhibitor will retain ownership of the quilt.

12. ALL Machine-Quilted Quilts. will be judged using the OAAS Machine-Quilted Quilt Judging Standards.

Judging Standards

25 General Appearance & Design:

20 Colour & Materials:

55 Workmanship:

30 Quilting

10 Borders

15 Binding and Picots