Community Garden Edibles Competition 2019 Rules and Regulations

Competition Categories

There are two main categories – the Longest and the Heaviest – with six fruit/vegetable types each. Participants may:

- Compete in one or both categories
- Submit one or multiple types of fruit/vegetable, but only one entry for each fruit/vegetable type
- Submit entries as individuals or together as a group, but not as both

| | | Longest | | Heaviest |
|-----------------------------|----|---------------|----|---------------|
| Type of Fruit/ Vegetable | 1. | Brinjal | 1. | Cabbage |
| | 2. | Cucumber | 2. | Cherry Tomato |
| | 3. | Lady's Finger | 3. | Papaya |
| | 4. | Long Bean | 4. | Pumpkin |
| | 5. | Luffa | 5. | Radish |
| | 6. | Snake Gourd | 6. | Winter Melon |

Submission Criteria

- Participants must submit their entries for shortlisting on 29 October 2019 (Tuesday), from 9 am to 7 pm. Late entries will not be accepted.
- Participants should **submit entries with the stalk or vine still attached.** Fruit wax, polish or other related enhancement products are not permitted to be used for this competition.
- Participants are required to present each fruit/vegetable together with a photograph of themselves posing with their mature fruit/vegetable and standing next to the plant it grew from in their garden, just before the fruit/vegetable was harvested.

Judging Criteria

Entries shall be assessed based on the following criteria:

• Length or weight of the fruit/vegetable with vine or stalk attached (50%)

| Length Measurement | | Weight Measurement | | |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Brinjal | 1. | Cabbage | |
| 2. | Cucumber | 2. | Cherry Tomato (single cluster) | |
| 3. | Lady's Finger | 3. | Papaya | |
| 4. | Long Bean | 4. | Pumpkin | |
| 5. | Luffa | 5. | Radish | |
| 6. | Snake Gourd | 6. | Winter Melon | |

- Condition (25%): Clean, absence of blemishes, freshness, etc.
- Colour (25%): Natural, attractive, reflecting freshness and maturity, etc.

The judging panel will consist of representatives from the National Parks Board (NParks) and its supporting partners for this Competition. The decision of the judging panel shall be final. No correspondence regarding the judges' decision will be entertained.

Competition Schedule

| Programme | Date | Time | Venue |
|---|--------------|-------------|---|
| Registration deadline | 27 May 2019 | - | - |
| Submission and shortlisting | 29 Oct 2019 | 9 am – 7 pm | Garden House, Jurong Lake Gardens 50 Yuan Ching Road, Singapore 618661 |
| Final judging (Attendance not required) | 30 Oct 2019 | - | - |
| Winners notified by email | 31 Oct 2019 | - | - |
| Awards ceremony | 1 Nov 2019 | TBC | Community Garden Festival, Jurong Lake Gardens |
| Display of selected submissions | 1–3 Nov 2019 | TBC | Community Garden Festival, Jurong Lake Gardens |

Awards and Prizes

1. The following prizes will be awarded:

• Champion : \$\$400 worth of gardening gift vouchers and trophy (1 prize for each of the 12 fruit /

vegetable types)

First runner-up : \$\$300 worth of gardening gift vouchers (1 prize for each of the 12 fruit / vegetable types)
 Second runner-up : \$\$200 worth of gardening gift vouchers (1 prize for each of the 12 fruit / vegetable types)
 Consolation (4th to 10th) : \$\$100 worth of gardening gift vouchers (7 prizes for each of the 12 fruit / vegetable types)

2. Champions are required to attend the Awards Ceremony held during the Community Garden Festival at Jurong Lake Gardens on 1 Nov 2019. All other prizes are to be collected during the opening hours of the Community Garden Festival at Jurong Lake Gardens on 1–3 Nov 2019. If you are unable to make it, a separate arrangement can be made for collection at HortPark's Visitors' Services Centre.

- 3. NParks may showcase the top three winning entries in each category listed above at the Community Garden Festival at Jurong Lake Gardens on 1–3 Nov 2019.
- 4. Participants are required to declare on the registration form whether the entry is submitted in his/her own personal capacity or as part of a collective submission by a group. If the winning entry is submitted by an individual in his/her own capacity, the prize will be awarded to the individual participant. If the winning entry is submitted by an individual as part of a collective submission by a group, the prize will be awarded in the name of the group representative.
- 5. NParks reserves the right to re-classify a submission if so required.
- 6. Prizes are non-transferable, non-refundable, non-exchangeable, and may be subject to other terms and conditions as may be imposed by NParks.
- 7. No prize will be awarded if entries are not considered up to standard regardless of the number of entries in the category, subject to NParks' and the judging panel's discretion. The collective decision of NParks and the judging panel will be final and no appeals or disputes will be entertained.
- 8. Gardening gift vouchers will have a 12-month validity period from the date of the Awards Ceremony. NParks shall not be held liable for any expired, unredeemed, defaced, lost or stolen gift vouchers caused by any reason whatsoever.

Registration and Eligibility

- This Competition is open to all persons residing in Singapore during the competition period (from 27 April 2019 to 29 October 2019). Staff of NParks are not eligible to participate.
- 2. All entries must be grown and cared for by the Participant in the Republic of Singapore. NParks reserves the right to inspect the premises on which the fruits and vegetables have been grown, and if so required, to disqualify any entry that does not meet the stated requirements.
- 3. Participants may register online here or submit the hardcopy registration form in person to:
 - a. **Community Garden Edibles Competition Registration Booth** at the SGF Horticulture Show in Jurong Lake Gardens from **27 April 2019 to 5 May 2019**:

Community Garden Edibles Competition Registration Booth

[co-located with the SGF Horticulture Competition / NParks Plant Display] SGF Horticulture Show Gardenhouse, Jurong Lake Gardens 50 Yuan Ching Road Singapore 618665

Opening Hours

10 am to 7 pm daily

(For directions, click here.)

b. HortPark Visitor Services Centre from 6 May to 27 May 2019:

HortPark Visitor Services Centre

33 Hyderabad Rd, Singapore 119578

Opening Hours

Monday to Friday: 9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 5 pm Saturday: 8.30 am to 12.30 pm Closed on Sunday and Public Holidays

Complimentary seed packets will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis, while stocks last, to participants who are registering in person.

The closing date for registration is 27 May 2019.

- 4. Participants may submit fruits/vegetables from existing plants growing in their own garden or grown from seeds obtained from any source, including the complimentary seeds from NParks.
- 5. Participants may submit entries to multiple categories, but only **one (1)** entry may be submitted for each fruit/vegetable type. Participants will be disqualified if more than one entry for the fruit or vegetable type is submitted in the competition.
- 6. Participants may sign up as **either an individual or as part of a group** representing their company, organisation, school, grassroots organisation, etc., **but not both.**
- 7. Participants must produce photographs of themselves posing with their mature fruit/vegetable and standing next to the plant from which their fruit/vegetable entry was grown in their garden just before they harvest it for submission. Photos should be provided upon submission of entry. Lack of photo documentation of the fruit or vegetable growing in the garden may result in disqualification.

Other Terms and Conditions

The Community Garden Edibles Competition 2019 ("the Competition") is organised by the National Parks Board ("NParks"). By participating in the Competition, the participant ("the Participant") agrees to unconditional acceptance of the following terms and conditions. The singular term "Participant" shall also import the plural and vice versa.

- NParks reserves the right to disqualify and withhold prizes from any Participant violating any of these terms and conditions, without notice or without first informing the Participant and without being liable in any way whatsoever for any loss, expense, costs, damages or otherwise suffered or incurred by the Participant from such disqualification or withholding of prizes.
- 2. NParks will exercise care in handling the entries but will not be liable for any loss or damage of the entries howsoever caused .
- The Participant shall assume and accept all risks of injury or property damage of any nature whatsoever that may arise from his/her making or creation of the submission, entry or participation in this Competition and will not in any way hold NParks responsible for any liability, loss, damage, expense and cost which he/she may sustain or incur as a result of his/her participation, except for liability which cannot be excluded by law.
- The Participant (including his or her heirs, parents, legal guardians, executor and/or administrators) shall:
 - defend and be solely liable for, fully indemnify and hold NParks (including its officers, employees and agents) to the maximum extent permitted by the law, harmless from and against all liabilities, damages, losses, costs (including legal costs on a full indemnity basis and/or reasonable solicitor's fees) and expenses of any nature arising from any claims, demands, actions, proceedings, recoveries, judgment or execution which NParks (including its officers, employees or agents) may suffer or incur by, from or in connection with the Participant's participation in the Competition;
 - be fully liable to NParks (including its officers, employees and agents) for any violation of confidentiality, patent, copyright or any other intellectual property rights in the photograph and materials submitted; and
 - shall defend, indemnify and hold NParks (including its officers, employees and agents thereof) harmless from and against any actions, claims, loss or damages for infringement or alleged infringement of such confidentiality, patent, copyright or any other intellectual property rights.
- All entries submitted shall become the property of NParks. NParks reserves the right to decide on the subsequent handling of the fruit and vegetables before, during and after the Competition.
- NParks may exercise its sole discretion to use the winners' names, identification, image, and comments relating to the contests experience and prize for the purpose of announcing the winner, or for promotional, marketing and publicity purposes in any media without any fee being paid.
- The Participant shall be bound by NParks' privacy statement which may be found at https://www.nparks.gov.sg/privacystatement.
- The Participant agrees that NParks may collect, use, disclose and share photographs or audio-video or other recordings of the Participant, taken in the course of the competition for publicity and / or use in the NParks' website, social media, publications, presentations and promotional materials, in original or edited format, without any further notification, remuneration or compensation to the Participant.
- NParks reserves the right to make any changes to the terms and conditions of this Competition, its prizes and any other arrangements relating to the Competition without prior notice. NParks does not make any representations or accept any responsibility as to the accuracy of the information relating to the Competition found on any source whatsoever that is outside NParks' corporate website.
- 10. In the event of any disputes or differences between NParks and the Participant over the interpretation of the rules and regulations, NParks' interpretation shall prevail.

For more information, visit our website: www.nparks.gov.sg/edibles

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