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Applications for Competitions at The California State Fair Now Open

State Fair accepting entries from commercial businesses for the Olive Oil, Cheese, Wine, Beer, and Cannabis competitions.

SACRAMENTO — The California State Fair is back this Summer in 2022 and applications for the Fair’s Commercial Competitions are now open. All entries must be from commercial businesses and are for the Olive Oil, Cheese, Wine, Beer, and Cannabis competitions.

“The return of the State Fair this July is another testimony to California’s resiliency,” said Rick Pickering, CEO of Cal Expo. “In addition to the iconic foods, entertainment and rides, the Commercial Competitions are part of the safe, fun and exciting way for families, friends and loved ones in our community to get back together this summer at their State Fair.”

The California Commercial Cheese Competition is now accepting entries until April 29, 2022. The Fair’s Commercial Cheese Competition celebrates the hard work, craftsmanship, and unique character of California Cheese. Judges are selected from respected cheesemakers, cheese merchants, writers, promoters, and educators. For more information, see the [California Commercial Cheese Competition Page](#).

The California State Fair’s new agricultural science-based Cannabis Competition is now accepting entries until April 30, 2022. Awarding the cannabis flower and its unique compounds, the science-based competition is open to all licensed California cannabis cultivators. The competition is a celebration of cultivators, large and small, and represents another step towards normalization and a new conversation about cannabis. This competition serves as a platform for consumer education and highlights the role of the cannabis industry as a vital contributor to the California economy. For more information, see the [California Commercial Competition Page](#).

The California Commercial Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition is accepting entries until May 6, 2022. As the Fair prides itself on showcasing the best the state has to offer, this competition

designates the best extra virgin olive oils which are grown, processed, and packaged in California. For more information, see the [California Commercial Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition Page](#).

The California Commercial Wine Competition application is now accepting entries and will close May 13, 2022. Dating back to 1854, the California State Fair Commercial Wine Competition is America's oldest wine judging event. Commercial wines will be professionally judged to recognize the best wines made with fruit grown and produced in the eleven growing regions across the state. For more information, see the [California Commercial Wine Competition Page](#).

The California Commercial Craft Beer Competition will be accepting entries soon! In this competition, the best commercially brewed beers California has to offer are professionally judged, recognizing the best craft brews of the state. For more information, see the [California Commercial Craft Beer Competition Page](#).

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