



# SKAGIT VALLEY GIANT PUMPKIN FESTIVAL ENTRY FORM

**Saturday, September 16, 2023**

Accepting entries for all colors of pumpkins **9:00 a.m. – noon**

Entry deadline: **12:00 p.m.**

Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off: **12:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

Winners announced at **4:00 p.m.**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Contest Rules:

*Failure to comply with these rules and regulations will deem participants ineligible to compete*

1. All pumpkins (orange, green, or white) entered in the Weigh-Off must be a species of pumpkin and entries must be grown by the participant.
2. The pumpkin entry must be sound and free of rot or soft spots. The entry must also be free of cracks, holes, or splits that go through to the fruit's cavity. All known defects must be shown to the judges before Weigh-Off.
3. The pumpkin entry must be free of fungicides, pesticides, and any foreign material found in cracks or holes.
4. Vines must be pruned to within an inch of the pumpkin's stem before weigh-off.
5. Competitors must be on-site 30 minutes before Weigh-Off and must be present during the Weigh-Off.
6. No entrant or spectator shall attempt to influence the judges or impede the proceeding of fair competition. The judging decisions are final.
7. All pumpkin entries are required to remain at Christianson's Nursery & Greenhouse for the duration of the Weigh-Off until prizes are awarded. After judging is complete and the winners are announced, growers may harvest seeds from their entry. The top four pumpkins will be relocated to the top sponsor locations for display the week following the competition, where storage may be indoors. All other participants may remove their pumpkins at the end of the Weigh-Off or harvest their seeds on-site and leave the pumpkin at the Nursery.
8. Prizes will be awarded at 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 17, 2022. A \$1500 cash prize will be awarded to the first place entry and subsequent awards to the next top entries, including the "Howard Dill" Award and the "Ugliest" Award.
9. Only one competition pumpkin per grower. Extra pumpkins are weighed and called "Exhibition" and cannot be considered for prizes.

Christianson's Nursery & Greenhouse accepts no responsibility for damage to the pumpkins while on-site, no responsibility for personal injury before, during, and after the competition, no liability for damage to equipment before, during, and after the weigh-off. I have read the rules of the Skagit Valley Giant Pumpkin Contest and agree that I will abide by those rules.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

----- To be completed by Pacific Northwest Giant Pumpkin Growers -----

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Official Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

