



# Minnesota State Fair Processed Meats Championship

Provided by  
University of Minnesota Meat Science and  
The Minnesota Association of Meat Processors

## August 23, 2017

**Cooked Summer Sausage**

Must be fully cooked (Refer to USDA/FSIS Appendix A).  
Entries must be a whole stick, not cut or sliced. Entries may consist of beef, pork, buffalo, lamb, veal, poultry, or any combination of these. No colored or printed casings allowed. Traditional products only - no cheeses, fruits, vegetables, etc. allowed. Acidic flavor is expected.

**Snack Sticks**

May consist of beef, pork, bison, lamb, veal, or poultry. Skinless, clear or colored casings allowed. Product must be fully cooked, (Refer to USDA/FSIS Appendix A). Traditional products allowed (no cheese, fruit, vegetable inclusions). Entry must include 6 links.

**Slab Bacon**

Must be standard approved trim, skin on or off, not cut or sliced and weigh a minimum of 7lbs.

**2017 Rotating Category: Wieners**

Must be made with beef and/or pork, fully cooked (Refer to USDA/FSIS Appendix A), and less than 28 mm diameter. Entries can be coarse ground, fine ground or emulsified, however NO inclusions are allowed. No colored casings are allowed. Entries must include at least six links.

## Best in Show

New in 2017, in addition to the category awards for each product within the four categories, a Best in Show Award will be determined by the judges from the top product in each category. No additional registration is required to be eligible for Best in Show. Each product will be judged against the standard for its category. For the product chosen, an additional Best in Show ribbon will also be awarded and displayed with the product at the State Fair booth.



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The contest will be held Wednesday, August 23rd 2017 (the day before the first day of the Minnesota State Fair) at the Andrew Boss Laboratory of Meat Science. Categories will be snack sticks, cooked summer sausage, bacon, and specialty bacon. All MAMP meat processors are eligible to enter each category, with only one entry per processor in each category. Each product category will be evaluated by a panel of judges consisting of academic and industry professionals selected by University of Minnesota Meat Science. Within each of the four categories, the top four placed entries will receive Minnesota State Fair ribbon rosettes and will then be displayed at the Minnesota Association of Meat Processors booth at the Minnesota State Fair for the entire duration of the fair. In addition to the category awards for each product within the four categories, a Best in Show Award will be determined by the judges from the top products in each category. No additional registration is required to be eligible for Best in Show. Each product will be judged against the standard for its category. For the product chosen, an additional Best in Show ribbon will also be awarded and displayed with the product at the State Fair booth.

All entries to participate in the contest must be received by the Andrew Boss Laboratory of Meat Science by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, August 23rd, 2017 to be eligible for consideration of evaluation and award. Entries may reach the laboratory by hand delivery, shipment or by way of designated drop-off location. All entries must be accompanied by registration form (please see attached entry form) as well as entry fee of \$15 per entry. No entry forms or fees will be accepted after 12:00 noon on Wednesday, August 23rd.



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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Snack Sticks

Summer Sausage

Bacon

Wieners

Total for Check Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Make Checks Payable to the University of Minnesota)

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