

Pumpkin Show

Rules for Giant Pumpkin Weigh-off

1. Pumpkin must be grown by the exhibitor.
2. An exhibitor can only enter one specimen per class and there can be only 2 entries per family (household), but only one entry will be eligible for an award.
3. All shrink wrap or any other type of covering or wrapping on pumpkins must be removed from pumpkin immediately after arrival or it will be disqualified.
4. Chemical residues and soil must be cleaned from the pumpkin surface prior to arrival for the protection of lifters and spectators.
5. Each pumpkin must be sound, healthy and undamaged.
6. Entries must be free of rot, holes and/or cracks through to the interior of the cavity, chemical residues and serious soft spots. Cracks, holes and openings shall be free of any foreign material.
7. The judges will probe any crack, hole or holes, and/or opening into the pumpkin which visually appears to extend into the interior cavity. A 36" by 1/16" probe will be used to probe any suspect cracks, openings or holes. Probe will be provided by the judge.
8. An opening where the probe meets no resistance into the interior cavity will disqualify the pumpkin from the competition.
9. The judges will supervise weighing and have the right to fully inspect all entries before the official weight is announced. Refusal to allow thorough inspection of the pumpkin will result in disqualification.
10. Pumpkins must clear the scale in sound condition in order for the weight to be official and to be eligible for prize money.
11. Length of the vine coming from the stem shall not exceed more than 1".
12. In the event of ties, prize money for that placing and the placing under it will be combined and split equally.
13. Pumpkins are to be on display before and during the weigh-off for spectators to enjoy.

14. The decision of the judges is final.

Pumpkins can be delivered to Gilpin's Monuments located at 620 S. Adams Street, Versailles, Indiana starting at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, September 24, 2016. They will be in the parade and weighed at the stage at the end of parade about 12:30 awards at 1-1:30 pm.