

FOODS



Illinois Extension
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

PRESERVATION: DRIED FOODS

Name _____

County _____ *Items (circle): Fruit/Fruit Leather | Meat/Jerky | Vegetable/Herb*

JUDGES: Please identify a numerical score on a scale of 1-10 for each element on the sheet. Only score the "Food Product" sections that apply to the types of food entered.

Judging Criteria	SCORE 1= needs improvement 10= exceeds criteria
Project Knowledge	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General knowledge of project area • Appropriate processing method • Appropriate preservation method used 	
Labels and Recipes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labels include product name, date, processing method • Recipes included from reputable source 	
Food Product: Fruits & Fruit Leather <i>(score section only if applicable)</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appearance: uniform thickness or size • Appearance: clear, not dark or dull in color • Dryness & texture: pliable, tough, leathery • Dryness & texture: dry, not moist in center • Moisture-proof package, free of foreign matter • Useable size 	
Food Product: Meats/Jerky <i>(score section only if applicable)</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appearance: appropriate color; fairly uniform thickness • Dryness & texture: pliable, tough, leathery • Dryness & texture: fibrous, forms points when broken • Odor: pleasant odor/no off odors present • Moisture-proof package, free of foreign matter • Useable size 	
Food Product: Vegetables/Herbs <i>(score section only if applicable)</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appearance: uniform thickness or size; appropriate color • Dryness & texture: brittle • Dryness & texture: dry, not moist in center • Moisture-proof package, free of foreign matter • Useable size • Food pretreated by blanching 	

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Explanation of Project Exhibit	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to explain goal of project exhibit 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to explain decisions made or results shown 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-evaluation of project, including time spent on project area 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills learned and plans for continued study 	
Exhibit Presentation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neat appearance 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follows exhibit requirements 	
<p>TOTAL SCORE <i>(Points possible: 230 for combination of items from more than one food product category; 170 for two different items from same category) For determining top scores, divide the points earned by points possible for the combination of items displayed (and compare the resulting numbers).</i></p>	
<p>COMMENTS</p>	
<p>AWARD RECEIVED <i>(if applicable)</i></p>	