



**36<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**TETON COUNTY**  
**FIDDLE CONTEST**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2015**  
**TETON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**  
**JACKSON, WY**

Please enter me in the following divisions for the 2015 Teton County Fiddle contest (contestants may enter one division in addition to the No Holds Barred Division): (The Contest Committee reserves the right to cut-off entries at any time for any division in which the number of contestants becomes excessive as determined by the committee.)

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>EARLY ENTRY</u>	<u>ENTRY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
No Holds Barred	\$10.00	\$15.00	_____
General (13 years or older)	\$15.00	\$20.00	_____
Senior (60 years or older)	\$10.00	\$15.00	_____
Junior (13-17 years)	\$10.00	\$15.00	_____
Junior-Junior (9-12 years)	\$ 5.00	\$10.00	_____
Pee Wee (8 years or under)	\$ 5.00	\$10.00	_____
		Amount Paid:	_____

Submit early entries to P.O. Box 5 Bondurant, WY 82922. Deadline for early entries – July 21, 2015. All entries received thereafter will require the regular entry fee. Questions ? Call 307 733-7825 or 730-3680.

Deadline for all entries – 8:30 a.m., July 26, 2015. Register on the day of the contest from 7:30 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. at the Big Top Tent at the fairgrounds.\*\*\* **Please note – this deadline will be enforced\*\*\*** If you are running late due to unforeseen circumstances, please call cell phone numbers 307-730-7825 or 730-3680 **BEFORE 8:30 a.m.** to let the committee know.

I/we, the undersigned, release and hold harmless the Teton County Fair, its employees and sponsors of the 2015 Teton County Fiddle Contest from any liability for damages, injuries or property losses sustained while on the premises of the Teton County Fairgrounds, or for any cause arising from activities related to the Fiddle Contest.

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

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contestants Meeting** 8:45 a.m., First Round 9:00: a.m. 7/26/15

# FIDDLE CONTEST RULES

1. An entry blank must be completed and an entry fee paid before the entry deadline of 8:30 a.m., July 26, 2015.
2. Positions for all fiddlers will be drawn by lot by the Contest Committee prior to each round. A list of the order of play will be posted on the contest bulletin board at the contest tent.
3. Each fiddler will play at least one round. Cuts in the number of fiddlers in subsequent rounds may have to be made if the number of fiddlers in the contest/division becomes excessive
4. Division age qualification are as follows:

No Holds Barred Division	Any age
General Division	13 years or older
Senior Division	60 years or older
Junior Division	13 to 17 years
Junior-Junior Division	12 years or younger
Pee Wee Division	8 years or younger
5. Fiddlers may enter only one division in addition to the No Holds Barred Division. This includes Junior Division aged fiddlers who wish to play in the General Division.
6. Any Fiddler who wins a division for three consecutive years is disqualified from entering that division in the contest for a period of one year.

**PLAYING RULES:** Contestants at each appearance (other than the No Holds Barred Division) must first play a hoedown; second a waltz; and third a tune of their own choice other than a hoedown or waltz. No tune shall be played more than one time during all appearances of a contestant in any division of the contest. Suggested playing time is five (5) minutes or less. Points will be deducted by the judges if playing becomes monotonous, repetitious, or too lengthy. Contestants in all divisions (other than the No Holds Barred Division) may play without an accompanist or with not more than two (2) accompanists. Any danceable folk tunes played in old time fiddle style are acceptable. Contact microphones and amplified instruments will not be permitted. Except for the No Holds Barred Division, no trick or fancy fiddling will be allowed during the contest; no plucking of strings or cross tuning is allowed; and novelty tunes such as *Orange Blossom Special*, *Listen to the Mockingbird* and *Black Mountain Rag* will not be permitted. Trick or fancy fiddling will be permitted in the No Holds Barred Division. This division is still part of the fiddle contest and contestants are required to play the fiddle (rather than another instrument). There is a five (5) minute time limit for playing in this division. One (1) or more tunes may be played during the five (5) minute limit. Contestants may be accompanied by more than two (2) accompanists. No contestant may be related to any of the contest judges.

**JUDGING:** The judges will score the fiddlers for old time fiddling ability and intonation, rhythm or timing, and tone quality. All scores will be cumulative. Points will be deducted for any violation of the contest rules. Protests must be submitted in writing to either Contest Co-Chairmen, signed by not less than three (3) contestants, and submitted within one hour of the incident leading to the protest or before the announcement of the winners and awarding of prizes, whichever is sooner. Any contestant contacting any of the judges directly with regard to a protest will be immediately disqualified from the contest. All decisions of the Judges and the Contest Committee are final.