

Community Garden Edibles Competition 2026

Competition Rules and Regulations

The Community Garden Edibles Competition 2026 (“Competition”) is organised by the National Parks Board (“Organiser”) as part of the Singapore Garden Festival 2026 (“SGF”). By registering for and participating in the Competition, the participant (“Participant”) agrees to unconditional acceptance of the following terms and conditions (“Terms and Conditions”).

A. Competition

1) The schedule of the Competition is set out below:

Programme		Date	Time	Venue
Registration	Online registrations	Starts: 12 January 2026	0900 hours	Online form available at https://go.gov.sg/cgec2026-registration-form
		Ends: 13 May 2026 midnight	0000 hours	
	In-person registrations	Starts: 29 June 2026	0900 hours	HortPark Multi-purpose Hall
		Ends: 29 June 2026	1900 hours	HortPark Multi-purpose Hall
Submission Day		29 June 2026	0900 hours to 1900 hours	HortPark Multi-purpose Hall
Judging Day		30 June 2026	0900 hours to 1100 hours	HortPark Multi-purpose Hall [Closed-door event – participants will not be allowed to enter or view proceedings]
Prize Ceremony		To be confirmed, Tentatively 4 July 2026	0900 hours to 1200 hours	Gardens by the Bay
Exhibit Display		4 July 2026	12 July 2026	Gardens by the Bay

B. Categories

- 1) The Competition has 10 Best Edible Categories (each a “Category” and collectively, “Categories”) Open Category which a Participant can participate in:

a. Best Edibles Categories

- i. Tomato
- ii. Herb
- iii. Brinjal
- iv. Leafy vegetable
- v. Chilli / capsicum
- vi. Cucumber
- vii. Pumpkin
- viii. Underground Edibles
- ix. Melon
- x. Gourd

b. Open Category

Any fruit or vegetable in the abovementioned sub-categories, or any other “unique” edible fruit or vegetable (e.g. fruit that is not grown commonly or unusual characteristics)

C. Eligibility and Registration

- 1) This Competition is open to all Singaporeans and residents of Singapore.
- 2) A Participant below the age of 18 as of 1 January 2026 must obtain the consent of his or her parent or legal guardian before participating in this Competition. The parent or legal guardian is deemed to have agreed to the Terms and Conditions set out in this document by way of the Participant’s participation in this Competition. The Organiser may require the Participant to show proof of such consent.
- 3) Participants may participate either individually (whether in their own name, or under a pseudonym) or in a group of individuals. Corporations or business entities cannot participate in the Competition.
- 4) Participants are required to declare on the registration form whether the entry is submitted in his/her own personal capacity or as part of a collective submission by a group of individuals.

5) A Participant does not need to pay any application fee in order to participate in this Competition.

6) This Competition is not open to immediate staff and employees of the Organiser. However, family members of the Organiser's staff and employees may participate in this Competition.

7) Participation

- a. A Participant may choose to compete in any Category.
- b. There is no limit to the number of Categories which a Participant can participate in.

8) Submission of registration forms

- a. Participants can register for the Competition by filling in and submitting the registration form:
 - 1) online; or
 - 2) in person;

during the dates and times stated in paragraph A (1) above.

- b. Late submissions via either mode of entry will not be accepted or entertained by the Organiser.

9) Submission of Entry during submission day

- a. After registering for the Competition, the Participant must submit a potted plant, fruit, herb and/or root vegetable that the Participant wishes to enter for the Competition ("Entry") during the submission day as stated in paragraph A(1) above.

- b. The Participant must submit the Entry in person on **Monday, 29 June 2026, between 9 am and 7 pm at HortPark, 33 Hyderabad Road (off Alexandra Road) Singapore 119578**. Late submission of an Entry will not be accepted.

- c. The Participant must take at least one photograph of themselves posing with their Entry still attached to the parent plant before they harvest the Entry. The photograph should be time-stamped if possible. The Participant will be required to show the photograph to the Organiser when submitting the Entry.

- d. Entry submission in each Category

- i. Best Edibles

- 1. A Participant may participate in multiple sub-categories.
 - 2. However, only one Entry may be submitted for each sub-category.

ii. Open Category

1. The Participant may submit more than one Entry in the “Open” Category.

e. Requirements for the Entry

- i. The Entry must be grown, cultivated and cared for by the Participant in the Republic of Singapore. The Participant may submit an Entry from plants growing in their own garden or grown from seeds obtained from any source.
- ii. The Participant shall note that any Entry that is submitted will be:
 1. used for the judging;
 2. handled by the judge(s) of the Competition at their sole discretion
 3. displayed and exhibited during the Competition.
- iii. The Participant should consider the perishability and lifespan of their Entry, bearing in mind the need to maintain freshness and quality of the Entry for the purposes of the Competition. Any Entry that is rotting or in a condition that, in the Organiser’s view, will not be in an acceptable condition to be exhibited during the Competition **will not** be accepted.

f. Form of Entry

- i. Any root vegetable that is submitted as an Entry must be washed, cleaned and free of soil.
- ii. Each Entry must be clearly labelled with the specific cultivar or variety name.
- iii. By submitting an Entry, the Participant warrants and represents to the Organiser that the Entry is disease and pest-free.

Handling of Entries upon Submission

- 10) The handling and storage of an Entry after submission to the Organiser shall be determined at the sole discretion of Organiser. While the Participant may provide the Organiser with instructions as to the handling of an entry at the point of submitting the Entry for the Competition, the Organiser shall not be bound to comply with these instructions.
- 11) If the Participant wishes to remove an Entry or change out an Entry for another Entry for any reason whatsoever, it must contact the Organiser. An Entry cannot be removed or changed before the close of the Competition without the permission of the Organiser.

12)The Participant:

a.Can submit his or her Entry while the fruit or vegetable is still in a pot if the Entry is submitted in any of these Categories:

- i. Tomato
- ii. Brinjal
- iii. Leafy vegetable
- iv. Chilli / capsicum
- v. Herbs

b.Must submit his or her Entry as a harvested fruit or vegetable if the Entry is submitted in any of these Categories:

- vi. Gourd
- vii. Underground Edibles
- viii. Pumpkin
- ix. Melon
- x. Cucumber

c.Open Category

Can submit his or her Entry in pot or as a harvested fruit or vegetable.

D. Prizes

13)The following prizes will be awarded to winners:

‘Best Edibles’ Categories	Champion	S\$400 worth of supermarket vouchers and trophy
	First runner-up	S\$300 worth of supermarket vouchers
	Second runner-up	S\$200 worth of supermarket vouchers
	Consolation 4 th to 10 th	S\$100 worth of supermarket vouchers

Open Category	Champion	S\$100 worth of supermarket vouchers
	First runner-up	S\$100 worth of supermarket vouchers
	Second runner-up	S\$100 worth of supermarket vouchers
	Consolation 4 th to 10 th	S\$50 worth of supermarket vouchers

E. Judging Criteria and Panel

- 1) Judging will take place on 30 June 2026 at a closed-door session. The judging panel for the Competition shall comprise of the Organiser’s employees as well as external parties.

- 2) The Participant is not required to be present during the judging
- 3) The judges' decision for all awards shall be final and shall be made at the judging panel's sole discretion.
- 4) An Entry for **all Categories** will be judged based on the following:

Judging Criteria for both Categories

a) Quality and Appearance:

Quality of harvest at the time of judging based on its condition, freshness, colour, and presentation standard.

b) Size:

Relative to species or variety of the edible.

c) Novelty/Competency:

Ability to grow edibles in suitable conditions based on the rarity of species or cultivar.

d) Uniqueness:

Unusual characteristics, forms, textures and uncommon cultivars or species.

F. Winning and winners

- 1) All Participants who have won a prize ("Winners") will be notified by electronic mail or such other method as the Organiser may select at its sole discretion.
- 2) If the winning entry is submitted by an individual Participant in his/her own capacity, the prize will be awarded to the individual Participant. If the winning entry is submitted by an individual on behalf of a group of Participants, the prize will be awarded to the Participant who is the representative of the group.

- 3) All prizes are to be collected at the location indicated in the notification email.
- 4) Prizes are non-transferable, non-refundable and non-exchangeable (whether for cash or otherwise), and subject to other terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Organiser.
- 5) No prize will be awarded if an Entry are considered not to be of standard, regardless of the number of entries in the Category. This is subjected to the Organiser's and the judging panel's discretion. The collective decision of the Organiser and the judging panel will be final, and not subject to further discussion or appeal.
- 6) The Organiser shall not be held liable for any expired, unredeemed, defaced, lost or stolen prizes due to any reason whatsoever.

G. Media consent

- 1) A videographer and/or photographer engaged by the Organiser may be present during the Competition and the Show. Photographs and/or videos may also be taken by the Organiser during the Competition and the Show.
- 2) By participating in this Competition, the Participant agrees to being photographed, videoed and or audio-recorded for publicity, educational, public transmission or promotional purposes, in original or edited format, and without payment or claim to copyright or other intellectual property rights. If the Participant wishes to withdraw his or her consent to being photographed, videoed and/or audio-recorded, it must inform the Organiser immediately.
- 3) The Organiser may exercise its sole discretion to use the winners' names, identification, images, and comments relating to the contests experience and prize for the purpose of announcing the winner, or for promotional, marketing and publicity purposes in any media without any fee being paid.

H. Conduct

- 1) During the Competition, the Participant must conduct themselves in a manner that does not offend other Participants and members of the public.

I. Rights of the Organiser

- 2) The Organiser reserves the right to do any one or more of the following, without reference or indulgence or notice to the Participant:
 - a. Make changes to these Terms and Conditions;
 - b. Exclude or deny registration to a Participant;
 - c. Re-classify an Entry or re-enter an Entry into another Category;
 - d. Refuse to accept an Entry for whatever reason;
 - e. Disqualify a Participant's Entry or participation in the Competition at any stage, and for any reason whatsoever, including if the Participant fails to provide a lack of documentation (whether photographic or otherwise) relating to the Participant's cultivation of the Entry;
 - f. Inspect premises on which the Entry has been grown;
 - g. Shortlist or longlist any application and/or exclude or disqualify any Participant from participating in this Competition. To avoid doubt, the Organiser reserves the right to accept and display an Entry which it deems suitable for the purposes of the Competition;
 - h. Substitute or cancel any of the prizes;
 - i. Not to award any prizes;
 - j. Remove Entries before the Competition;
 - k. Request that a prize won by a Participant be returned;
 - l. Ask Participants who do not conduct themselves in a proper manner to leave the venue for registration in the Competition;
 - m. Dispose of any Entry or any item connected with the Entry after the Competition. To avoid doubt, the Organiser understands and agrees that any Entry becomes the property of the Organiser after submission;

and to avoid doubt, can do so without being liable in any way whatsoever for any loss, expense, costs, damages or otherwise suffered or incurred by the Participant from the same.

J. Liability and Indemnity

- 3) While the Organiser will exercise care in handling the submissions and endeavours to maintain and/or safeguard an Entry (after submission) in such a condition to be eligible for the Competition and/or in accordance with the Participant's instructions, the Organiser does not guarantee, warrant or represent that the plant entries will be kept in such a manner or manners. In this respect, the Organiser accepts no responsibility or liability for any failure, whether perceived or actual, to maintain the said plant entries in the abovementioned manner(s).
- 4) The Participant shall assume and accept all risks of injury or property damage of any nature whatsoever that may arise from his/her making or creation of the submission, entry or participation in this Competition and will not in any way hold the Organiser responsible for any liability, loss, damage, expense and cost which he/she may sustain or incur as a result of his/her participation, except for liability which cannot be excluded by law.
- 5) To the extent permissible by law, the Participant shall indemnify and indemnify the Organiser for any and all loss, liability, damage, or expense arising out of or in connection with his or her negligence (including wilful, reckless or negligent conduct) arising out of or in connection with this Competition.

K. Personal Data and Privacy

- 6) By participating in the Competition, the Participant shall be deemed to have consented to the collection, use and disclosure of his or her name, identification / passport number and/or likeness ("Personal Data") for educational and non-commercial purposes and for the purposes of carrying out the Organiser's functions, without any payment and/or compensation due to the Participant (except where specifically prohibited by law).
- 7) The Personal Data submitted by the Participant will not be shared with entities which are not Public Service Entities, except the Organiser is required to share the Personal Data in order to conduct the Competition by operation of law.
- 8) The Participant shall be bound by the Organiser's privacy statement which may be found at www.Organiser.gov.sg/privacy-statement.

- 9) In the event of any disputes or differences between the Organiser and the Participant over the interpretation of the rules and regulations, the Organiser's interpretation shall prevail.

For more information

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