



2017 ENTRY FORM

Use one form per entry.

**Corn silage entries must be received by August 1, 2017.
All other entries are due September 7, 2017.**

Farm Name _____ Contact Person(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

County _____ First-Time Entrant? ___ Yes ___ No

Hometown newspaper with city and state: _____

For office use only:

Lab No. _____

Check No. _____

Contest category (see reverse side for specifications):

___ A1 Dairy Hay ___ B1 Commercial Hay ___ G1 Grass Hay ___ O1 Organic Hay

___ A2 Haylage ___ B2 Baleage ___ A3 Std Corn Silage ___ A4 BMR Corn Silage

Check one for corn silage:

Processed _____

Unprocessed _____

Sample information:

Variety _____ Farm Sample No. _____ (1, 2, 3, etc. – to match entry forms with samples)

Which cutting? _____ Date of harvest _____

Entry fee: \$30 per entry, check made payable to *World Forage Analysis Superbowl*. Sample analyses will be mailed to entrants after all samples have been analyzed for the contest.

Send entry form with sample to: Dairyland Laboratories, 1111 Lawrence Drive, De Pere, WI 54115
If you have questions, please feel free to call Dairyland at **(920) 336-4521**.

Prizes: All cash prizes to be awarded in each category. Also cash prizes for: Grand Champion Forage, First Time Entrant, Quality Counts Corn Silage, and Quality Counts Hay/Haylage. Exact amount for 2017 prizes to be determined after all sponsors are secured. In 2016, more than \$25,000 was awarded. Prizes will be awarded at **World Dairy Expo**, Madison, WI, on **Oct 4, 2017**. Need not be present to win.

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge, that the sample was taken according to conditions of entry, and that the sample is from the lot described and entered.

Signed _____ Date _____

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World Dairy Expo, Oct. 3 – Oct. 7, 2017, Madison, WI

2017 World Forage Analysis Superbowl Rules and Conditions

The World Forage Analysis Superbowl is designed to encourage quality forage production.

All categories/entrants:

- Samples must be grown on the farm of the entrant. ***Organic Certification records must accompany Organic Hay samples.***
- Samples must be from a regular forage production field and harvesting system.
- A farm/ranch unit may enter as often as desired in as many categories as desired.
- However, not more than one **finalist** per farm/ranch unit will be allowed in any one category.
- In addition, a farm/ranch unit may win no more than one grand or first-place prize.
- ***New*** All international samples need proper import permits. **Contact Dairyland Labs at least 6 weeks prior to expected shipping date.**

Managing Partners: Dairyland Laboratories, Inc., Dairy Business Communications, Hay and Forage Grower, University of Wisconsin, U.S. Dairy Forage Research Center, and World Dairy Expo.

Harvest year	Sample size	CATEGORY	Crop/plant/sample specifications		Samples analyzed for (expressed on a dry matter basis):
2017	25 lbs.	Dairy Hay	>75% legume; grown by active dairy producers	All hay samples: Must be from a bale, any type or size; more than 18% moisture will be penalized; use of a preservative or desiccant is allowed.	Hay, Baleage, Haylage: Dry matter, crude protein, acid detergent fiber (ADF), neutral detergent fiber (NDF), neutral detergent fiber digestibility (NDFD), relative forage quality (RFQ) and milk per ton. [RFQ is a ranking of forage quality based on NDFD and should not be confused with or compared to Relative Feed Value (RFV).]
2017	25 lbs.	Commercial Hay	>75% legume; commercially grown and sold in large lots off the farm		
2017	25 lbs.	Grass Hay	>75% grass		
2017	25 lbs.	Organic Hay	Must be Certified Organic		
2017	25 lbs.	Baleage	Any mixture of grass/legume		
2017	2 gal.	Haylage	Any mixture of grass/legume	Baleage: Moisture - No restrictions	
2016	2 gal.	Standard Corn Silage (non-BMR)	Must be whole plant, recommended chopping height 6" - 8". Must contain > 75% standard variety.	All silage samples: Must be ensiled in a normal preservation process and show signs of fermentation. Should be 30% to 50% dry matter; Use of a preservative is allowed. Additives affecting fiber content or any other adulteration will disqualify the sample.	
2016	2 gal.	Brown Midrib (BMR) Corn Silage	Must be whole plant, recommended chopping height 6" - 8". Must contain > 75% BMR variety.		Corn Silage: All of the above except RFQ.

Judging:

- **The decision of the judges in all matters will be final.**
- From all of the entries, 20 finalists are selected in Commercial Hay and Haylage categories.
- From all of the entries, 10 finalists are selected in the Grass Hay, Baleage, Dairy Hay, Organic Hay, and 2 Corn Silage categories.
- The Haylage, Baleage, Commercial Hay, Dairy Hay, Grass Hay, and Organic Hay finalists are chosen on Relative Forage Quality (RFQ).
- The 2 Corn Silage finalists are chosen on milk per ton.
- Finalist samples are judged as follows:

	Forage analysis	Visual	
All Categories	70%	30%	

Sample preparation:

All silage entries: Place at least 2 gallons in a clean plastic bag and seal. Store immediately in a freezer or cold place until mailed. Mail on a Monday or Tuesday to help ensure that the sample will arrive in good condition.

All entries: Label each sample clearly with your name, address, category, and Farm Sample Number. Send the sample(s), entry form(s) and \$30 entry fee per sample (check made payable to *World Forage Analysis Superbowl*) to: Dairyland Laboratories, 1111 Lawrence Drive, De Pere, WI 54115. Phone 920-336-4521.

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