2022 Scarecrow Contest Official Rules

1. Participation: Adults, children, individuals of all ages, groups, families, and businesses are eligible for participation.

2. Fees: There is a non-refundable $10.00 entry fee per scarecrow entry ($30 per sponsor, includes scarecrow scene and advertising). One entry can have more than one scarecrow if they are included in one scene.

3. Scarecrow Scene Sketch: You must submit a simple sketch or written description of the scarecrow scene along with your application. The Colchester Business Association and the Colchester Parks and Recreation Department reserve the right to deny any scarecrow scene which we feel may be offensive to the public.

4. Scarecrow Basics: Your scarecrow must be able to withstand weather, wind, and other natural elements. Perishable goods are not recommended for use in construction of your scarecrow scene.

5. Responsibility: The Colchester Business Association and the Colchester Parks and Recreation Department are NOT responsible for scarecrows on display. We reserve the right to remove any scarecrow that does not hold up to the weather. All scarecrows should be built in a manner that allows them to be left unattended. You may want to monitor your display to be sure that it is holding up for the duration of the event.

6. Support Stakes: One stake will be provided in assigned locations to identify your group. At the end of the event, that stake must be left behind. If you need additional supports to hold up your scarecrow or scene, you must supply them. 1 in. x 4 ft. stakes will be available to purchase at $2.50 a stake on your application.

7. Deadline: The deadline for entries will be Friday, October 1st, 2022. Your weatherproof number and scarecrow name will be provided and must be attached to your scarecrows in a visible location for voting and judging purposes.

8. Scarecrow Setup: You may setup your scarecrow scene in your assigned location on the Colchester Town Green, any time after the green is staked on October 3rd through October 7th. Contestants who remove their scarecrow before the voting ends (end of day October 31st) will be disqualified.

9. Judging: Judging will be done by the public, online at www.colchesterctbusiness.com. Any person of any age can vote. Voting will be online only and will take place from October 8th through end of day October 31. Winners will be notified by email a few days after voting ends, and prizes awarded.

10. Scarecrow Removal: Scarecrow scenes must be removed in the morning on November 1. Please do not leave any items that you brought on the green behind: everything must be removed. Any items remaining will be disposed of.

11. Unopened Hay: Pickup of any unopened bales of hay will be November 1.

QUESTIONS? Contact CBA at 860-537-0340 (leave message) or Parks & Recreation 860-537-7297.

REMEMBER TO:
- Complete and return entry form
- Enclose $10.00 check entry fee ($30 for sponsors) plus cost for needed hay bales & stakes, payable to CBA
- Attach a sketch or description of your scarecrow scene to your application, which you can:
  - mail to CBA Scarecrow Contest, P.O. Box 453, Colchester, CT 06415, or
  - drop off at the Park & Rec Office, Colchester Town Hall, Norwich Avenue, Colchester, CT
- Sponsors: $30 sponsorship includes scarecrow scene

Sponsored by: Colchester Parks and Recreation and the Colchester Business Association

2022 Scarecrow Contest
October 3-31

Show off your creative talents to family, friends, and neighbors!

Promote your business or organization in the community!

Enter the 2021 Scarecrow Contest and create a Halloween masterpiece (or, at the very least, have a blast trying)!

Contest is open to all families, neighborhoods, teams, businesses, organizations, and schools

Prize-winning categories:
- Scariest
- Funniest
- Most imaginative

This years’ parade of costumes will be on October 7th at 6pm on the Colchester Town Green, with refreshments as well!

Proudly co-sponsored by:

Colchester Business Association

Colchester Parks and Recreation
23rd Annual Scarecrow Contest
CBA Community/Family Registration Form
October 3-31

Register by 10/1/2022 for Scarecrows and Sponsorships

Please return this completed form with credit card information or check made payable to Colchester Business Association:

BY MAIL: CBA Scarecrow, PO Box 453, Colchester, CT 06415
OR DROP OFF: Parks & Rec Office, Colchester Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue, Suite 107

Questions? Call the CBA at (860) 537-0340 (leave message) or Parks & Recreation at (860) 537-7297

$10 per Scarecrow Scene
$2.50 per support stake
$7 per hay bale

FAMILY/INDIVIDUAL/ORGANIZATION NAME:
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PAYMENT TYPE: □ Check Enclosed □ Visa □ MasterCard
CREDIT CARD NUMBER__________________________________________
NAME ON CREDIT CARD________________________________________
CARD EXP. DATE_____________CVV_______
SIGNATURE________________________________________
ADDRESS________________________________________
CITY, STATE, ZIP________________________________________
TELEPHONE________________________________________
*EMAIL (required)________________________________________
SCARECROW NAME________________________________________
# MEMBERS IN GROUP___________
# HAY BALES NEEDED_______  # SUPPORT STAKES_______
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:  □ 1 SCARECROW SCENE/$10
  □ ADDITIONAL SCARECROW SCENES ($10 EACH)
TOTAL PAYMENT____________________

I have read and understand the contest rules.
Signature____________________   Date____________________