



# sixteenth annual scarecrow contest

Sunday and Monday, October 8 & 9

*Be a part of making downtown  
Newburyport festive for the season!*

## **The scarecrow contest is fun, free, and open to the public!**

*Entries by individuals, families, teams, schools, churches, clubs, organizations and businesses are welcome!*

*The goal of this contest is to create a gallery of fun, inventive scarecrows throughout Market Square.*

### **Rules/Guidelines:**

1. On Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, all scarecrows must be checked in from 10AM-12NOON at the Chamber booth in Market Square.
2. After checking in, the Chamber will direct you where to display your scarecrow and will supply you with plastic zip-ties, if needed. Please do not hang scarecrows prior to checking in.
3. All scarecrows are required to remain on display for the duration of the 2-day festival. On Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM, the winners will be announced in Market Square. Although your presence is not required to win, we ask that entrants please be present at this time.
4. The scarecrow categories are as follows: Children/Families and Businesses. Please indicate category on entry form.
5. Scarecrows will be judged by People's Choice. Judging takes place from 12-2PM both days. Each category will be judged separately. Prizes include Newburyport gift cards for the "Children/Families" category and for the "Businesses" category.
6. The Chamber and/or its representatives are not responsible for scarecrows once they are placed. Scarecrow items and props will NOT be saved. If you would like to remove your scarecrow yourself, please do so prior to Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.
7. For safety, Scarecrows are not allowed to be placed on the crosswalks' lampposts.
8. Scarecrows must be designed in a standing position for attachment to a lamppost and must include traditional straw and/or cornhusk.
9. Very sturdy construction (outdoor conditions), unique costumes, faces, names, and accessories are encouraged. No electric, electronic or moving parts allowed.

**The Chamber reserves the right to NOT accept any scarecrow that is deemed inappropriate by any means. Designs should be non-partisan/non-political, secular, appropriate for all ages, etc.**

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## **16th ANNUAL SCARECROW CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

*Register in advance by sending form into the Newburyport Chamber of Commerce. Or register the morning of the contest. Check in Sunday, October 8, 10AM-Noon, at the Chamber booth in Market Square.*

Circle Category:

Children/Families

Business

Name/Business \_\_\_\_\_

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



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