

# Western Open Fiddle Championships



## Hot Fiddle Contest Rules

In addition to the General Contest Rules, the following rules apply specifically to the Hot Fiddle Contest:

1. This contest is open to solo performers *or duets*.
2. Each contestant must play one tune or a medley of tunes. General Contest Rule #3 applies: "No tune shall be played more than once during all appearances of a contestant." **NOTE: The committee wants you to know that we don't want to hear "Orange Blossom Special."**
3. Four minute playing time will be strictly adhered to. Contestant(s) will be disqualified for going over the time limit. There is no grace period.
4. Contestants may not have printed music on stage and may play without accompaniment or with a maximum of three accompanists, no more than two of which may be standard guitars.
5. In the event of a tie, prize money will be re-configured accordingly.
6. **The judges will be sitting in front of the stage to judge this contest.**
7. The winner(s) will be invited to perform on stage during Saturday evening's program.
8. The decision of the judges is final.



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