

# SHOW REGULATIONS

- 1) The committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and in the event of such refusal is not required to give any explanation.
- 2) All vegetables, fruit and flowers must have been in the possession of and/or grown locally, (within 20 mile radius) by the exhibitor in their own garden or allotment for at least two months prior to the show. Any infringement of this condition shall disqualify the exhibit. The committee reserves the right to visit any growing situation.
- 3) The judges have the right to withhold any prize, where, in their opinion, the exhibits are unworthy. The judge's decision shall be final. No exhibitor shall make a personal complaint to the judges.
- 4) Any complaint by an exhibitor must be made to the Show Secretary in writing with a deposit of £3 that shall be forfeit if the Committee find the complaint unjustified.
- 5) No exhibitor shall enter more than one exhibit in any class or enter the same exhibit in more than one class. Entries from two people from the same garden are allowed but must be of different plants, cultivars or vegetables.
- 6) The current edition of the RHS Horticultural Show Handbook is used as a basis for Show standards. Where differences occur between the RHS Handbook and the Schedule, then the Schedule will take precedence. The Society is not affiliated to NAFAS and this will be allowed for in the judging of the Floral Art Classes. If any living material from the wild is used the exhibit will be disqualified.
- 7) **Exhibitors must ensure that their exhibit in any class conforms to the requirements for the class as specified in the Schedule.** Exhibits not so conforming will be disqualified. (Further details with regard to definition of terms and presentation are contained in the Society's Guidelines for Exhibitors booklet). Stewards will be available to assist and advise during staging.
- 8) All entries in the Floral Art, craftwork, art or photography must be the work of the exhibitor. Handicraft exhibits entered in previous Bransgore Horticultural shows are not eligible. Judges may subtract marks if garments have been worn or washed.
- 9) Exhibitors under the ages of 17 on the date of the Show may enter any class free of charge; however, their age will not be taken into account in the judging.

- 10) All trophies must be returned in a clean condition to the Show Secretary **two weeks before the appropriate Show**. Please note that **pewter trophies must not be polished**.
- 11) All entries should be made on the forms provided for that purpose (or photocopies) together with the entry fee, and sent to one of the addresses on the entry form **no later than the Thursday** prior to the Show. Late entries will only be accepted from exhibitors who have a valid excuse and have already entered another class.
- 12) Exhibitors must stage their entries between 9:00 am and 10:30 am on the day of the Spring Show and between 8:30 am and 10:30 am on the day of the Summer Show. **Please note that the hall will be closed promptly at 10:30 am – no staging will be allowed beyond this time.**
- 13) Exhibitors must place their entries beside their cards, which will be in place on the tables. Unless otherwise stated, all flower exhibits must be displayed in the Society's green vases. Stewards will be available to assist and advise during staging.
- 14) The hall will be closed to all persons, except for the Show Secretary, the judges and the stewards, during judging.
- 15) Food exhibits, other than those in jars, must be displayed on plates and placed under the transparent plastic lids, which will be situated on the exhibition tables at the time of staging.
- 16) Fresh cream and other foods, which may become dangerous in a short time under warm conditions, are not allowed in home craft classes.
- 17) No commercially labelled or embossed jars or lids are allowed in home craft classes as this can distort the appearance of the contents. Jars of preserves must be not less than 12 oz. (340g), jelly and lemon curd not less than 8 oz. (225g). Kilner type jars are not allowed.
- 18) Exhibits of flower heads such as pansies, fuchsias and clematis must be mounted in standard containers, which may be obtained, in advance from the Show Secretary or during staging.

**Exhibits must be removed from the Show benches promptly after the presentations have been made. Please empty, clean out and place vases in the containers provided.**