

The Lambeth Horticultural Society

SHOW REGULATIONS

1. All exhibitors should return the entry form stating the class or classes in which they intend to exhibit by the closing date shown on the form.
2. No exhibitor may make more than one entry in each class.
3. Every horticultural exhibit shall have been cultivated by the exhibitor for at least two months before the show. The committee has the power to appoint scrutineers to make enquiries to ensure that this rule has been complied with.
4. The judges' decision on the merits of any exhibit to be final. Awards may be withheld or modified if the number or standard of exhibits is held not to warrant the full award.
5. Name the cultivars (varieties) where possible.
6. Any protest to the show organiser by 3pm on the show day. A protest must be accompanied by a £1 deposit which will be returned if the protest is upheld, but not otherwise. The committee's decision shall be final and binding.
7. Judging will be conducted under RHS or NAFAS or specialist societies' code of rules.
8. The committee will take ordinary care of all exhibits, but cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
9. Society vases only to be used.
10. All exhibits must remain in place on the show tables until the official clearing time.
11. Prize money not collected by the close of the show will be regarded as a donation to the society.
12. An exhibit will be deemed to be staged when placed on the show bench. No substitutions allowed.
13. Exhibitors must expect all cakes, flans, etc., to be cut for judging.
14. All foodstuffs must be covered with Clingfilm which will be provided.
15. All foodstuffs must be exhibited on a plate.

FINAL NOTE: The steward or show organiser will be empowered to transfer an exhibit to an appropriate class before judging begins if the exhibit has been entered in the wrong class. A steward will be available during staging to give advice.

DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL NOTES TO BE USED AS A GUIDE TO ASSIST EXHIBITORS

TRUMPET DAFFODILS: One flower to a stem; the trumpet as long as or longer than the petals.

A CACTUS is a succulent plant characterised by the presence of areoles, an areole being a small cushion of woolly felt or hair from which spines usually arise. Often offsets or flowers also arise from the growth point.

SUCCULENTS are adapted in stem and leaves to conditions of drought, usually with fleshy leaves and few breathing pores.

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A HOUSEPLANT is a plant which is grown constantly in a living room under normal conditions, and always remains attractive throughout the year. Succulents will generally qualify, but plants which die down at certain times of the year and lose their leaves do not qualify.

FOLIAGE PLANT: Plants such as Coleus, Begonia Rex, Palms and Sansevieria etc., which are grown primarily for the decorative value of their foliage and have insignificant flowers may be included in this class.

FLOWERING PLANT: Plants that are grown primarily for their floral effect.

A LIVING ROOM is a room in a dwelling where normal living conditions prevail and no additional protection is given to the plant by enclosure or control of temperature, humidity or special artificial light.

NOTES FOR FLORAL ART EXHIBITORS

An exhibit is composed of natural plant material, with or without accessories, contained within a space as specified in the show schedule. NAFAS rules state that disqualification will take place for the following reasons:

1. Failure to comply with any specific requirements of a class as stated in the show schedule - ie, the measurements or the components.
2. Inclusion of any fresh material that does not have its roots or cut ends of its stems in water, or water-retaining material.
3. Inclusion of artificial plant material (unless specifically allowed by the show schedule).

MINIATURE: An exhibit not exceeding 10 cms in width, depth and height. This measurement does not apply to the diagonal dimension.

MODERN: An exhibit showing restrained use of plant material with special emphasis on the use of space and the design qualities of natural plant material.

PETITE: An exhibit not exceeding 25 cms in width, height and depth. This measurement does not apply to the diagonal dimension.

For further details and definitions please refer to the NAFAS handbook of schedule definitions.