

SHOW RULES

1. Entries in all classes (other than junior classes) are restricted to members of the Society who live within 15 miles of the Northcourt Centre, Abingdon-on-Thames.
2. Floral exhibits shall be from plants which have been grown by the exhibitor for at least 2 months immediately preceding the show, except in floral arrangement classes. For garden classes the garden must be mainly maintained by the exhibitor and be within the Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council boundaries. The Committee reserves the right to inspect the garden or plot of the exhibitor.
3. For the Spring Show, exhibits must be staged between 9.30am and 11.15am on the morning of the show. For the Autumn Show, exhibits must be staged either between 8pm and 8.30pm on the evening preceding the show, or between 9am and 10.45am on the morning of the show. No exhibitors will be allowed in after the end of staging, and the hall must be cleared to allow judging to commence. Trophies and prizes will be presented, and the raffle drawn, at 4pm. All exhibits must be removed at the end of the show.
4. The Committee cannot accept responsibility for plates, dishes, vases, etc provided by the exhibitor. Exhibits, whether staged or not, remain the sole responsibility of the exhibitor.
5. Exhibitors may make up to two entries in any class, but no exhibitor may be awarded more than one prize in a class. The entry fee is 25p per exhibit, other than for entries in the garden classes for which an entry fee of £1 applies. Entries in childrens' classes are free, and children may enter adult classes free of charge.
6. Judges are appointed by the Committee and the Judges' decisions will be final.
7. Judges shall have the right to reduce or withhold awards according to the standard and/or the number of exhibits in any class.
8. Only stewards appointed by the Committee will be permitted to enter the hall while exhibits are being judged.
9. Entry forms accompanied by the total fees must be received by the Show Secretary no later than 9pm on the Wednesday preceding the show. If entering by telephone or email, payment is due on the morning of the show.
10. Points will be awarded for each class as follows:
 - 1st place: 5 points
 - 2nd place: 3 points
 - 3rd place: 2 points
11. Any exhibitor wishing to raise an objection must do so in writing and hand it to the Secretary within 1 hour of the opening of the show to the public. It must be accompanied by a deposit of £1, which will be returned if the objection is upheld.