## CROMHALL FLOWER SHOW 2025 How to Enter Guide

- Stage your exhibits in the space allocated for each class in the show tent in St Andrew's School field. Exhibits must be staged from 08:00 until 10.30am.
- You may not enter more than one exhibit in any one class.
- A volunteer will be there to help you should you need assistance.
- Complete an Exhibit Ticket for each of your entries with the class number, your full name and your contact number on the reverse, completed and clearly legible (block capitals please).
- Fold your Exhibit Tickets in half along the dotted line and place under each exhibit with the class number facing up and so your name is not visible.
- Entry is free but there is a suggested donation per exhibit via an honesty box located at the entrance to the tent.
- The show tent must be vacated by 10.30am. The public are not allowed in the show tent when judging is taking place.
- Judges will award 1st, 2nd and 3rd place certificates in each individual class and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place certificates for the best exhibits in each overall class.
- In the event there are less than 3 entries in a category, the Judges reserve the right to award certificates according to merit based on their experience.
- Overall class winners and runners-up will be awarded prize money. Prize money can be collected from the Show Tent from 4pm. Any prize money not collected will be donated to the Show Funds.
- The winner of each overall class will also be awarded the associated cup. Cups will be presented to overall class winners at 4pm.
- Please don't remove your exhibits, certificates and rosettes from the show tent before 4.15pm. After that, you have the option of donating your exhibit to the show auction to raise funds for next year's show.
- Please familarise yourself with the full show rules and check for any class specific rules.

WE HOPE YOU HAVE GREAT FUN PRODUCING YOUR EXHIBITS AND MAY WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST OF LUCK ON THE DAY!

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## CROMHALL FLOWER SHOW 2025 Rules

## General

- 1. Exhibits must be staged from 08:00 until 10.30am on show day. The show tent must be vacated by 10.30am. Judging starts promptly at 10.45am. THESE TIMES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.
- 2. Exhibitors may not enter more than one exhibit in any one class.
- 3. Entry is free but there is a suggested donation per exhibit via an honesty box.
- 4. Every entry must be displayed with an 'Exhibit Ticket' which details the class number with your full name and contact number. Exhibit Tickets should be folded in half along the dotted line and placed under each exhibit with the class number facing up and so your name is not visible.
- 5. Exhibits must be grown or worked solely by individual exhibitors except Floral Art, where flowers may be grown by a third party.
- 6. Children's exhibits must be grown or worked solely by individual children except for reasonable assistance which may be provided by a supervising adult appropriate to the age of the child.
- 7. Exhibitors must not enter any classes in which they are regarded as a professional. Professional in this instance is defined as a person who is engaged in the activity as their main paid occupation as opposed to an amateur.
- 8. Judges will award: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place certificates in each individual class, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place certificates for the best exhibits in each overall class. In the event there are less than 3 entries in a category, the Judges reserve the right to award certificates according to merit based on their experience.
- 9. Overall class winners and runners-up will be awarded the following prize money:
  - Adults: 1st £15, 2nd £10, 3rd £5.
  - Children: 1st £5, 2nd £2, 3rd £1.
- 10. Judge's decisions on class results are final.
- 11. Exhibits, certificates and rosettes must not be removed from the show tent before 4.15pm without the prior consent of the Committee. Any uncollected certificates and rosettes will not be kept after the end of the show.
- 12. Prize money for overall class winners and runners up will be available for collection from the Show Tent from 4pm until the end of the show. Any unclaimed prize money will be donated to show funds
- 13. Cups will typically be presented to overall class winners at 4pm.
- 14. If exhibitors wish to donate their exhibit(s) to the Auction, they should move their exhibit(s) to the Auction table at 4.15pm, after the presentation of the cups.
- 15. Cups will be engraved with the winner's name and will be presented at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) which is usually held in October. If a winner is unable to attend the AGM, winners may arrange to collect their cup(s) by contacting a member of the Committee.
- 16. Cups must be returned at least 2 weeks prior to the Show. Contact details must be provided for anyone keeping their trophy for the year.
- 17. The Committee are not responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits or personal property.

## Class Specific Rules

- 18. Class 2: greatest measurement across the disk surface
- 19. **Class 3**: true length laid flat measured from ground level to underside of head and must be exhibited laid flat with roots removed at ground level

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- 20. **Classes 4-25**: will be judged according to Royal Horticultural Society rules (The Horticultural Show Handbook: The Official RHS Guide to Organising, Judging and Competing in a Show. 8th Edition)
- 21. **Classes 36 & 37**: Exhibits are an arrangement with or without accessories. An accessory is anything other than plant material but plant material must always be dominant.
- 22. Classes 38 & 39: Arrangements are an artistic display of plant material only. No accessories to be used. All plant material must be in water. The container and base (if used) are not classed as accessories.
- 23. **Classes 40-54**: will be judged according to WI rules (National Handbook "On with the Show" 2021 edition).
  - Pastry must be homemade.
  - Tarts are a sweet or savoury dish with shallow sides, bottom crust and a filling.
  - Pies are a sweet or savoury dish with deep sides, top crust, optional bottom crust and a filling.
  - Cakes and savouries must be exhibited in clear plastic bags, loosely tied. Cling film must not be used due to the difficulty of removal, risk of damage to the exhibit and excessive time required to unwrap during judging.
  - Cakes and savouries requiring cutting must not be exhibited on doilies.
  - Jams must be exhibited in plain clear glass jars and covered with a wax disc and a cling film top or a screw top lid without a wax disc.
  - Chutneys and pickles must be exhibited in plain clear glass jars with screw top lids.
- 24. **Classes 55-57**: Homecrafts must have been made in the 12 months immediately preceding the show.
- 25. **Classes 58-61**: Photos to be pinned to the display board. Framed prints are not permitted. Photos to have been in the 12 months immediately preceding the show.

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