

**1 Do I need to label my exhibits**

Yes please if at all possible! This is really helpful for other exhibitors and show visitors. Please provide your own label

**2 What is the maximum size for my entry for the photo class**

The maximum size is 21cm x 30.5cm – this includes any mount and/or frame

**3 How do I buy my bulbs for entering the Spring Show**

These are usually available at the September club night

**4 How do I get my potatoes for entering the Summer Show**

These are usually available at the February club night

**5 Has the RHS banned the use of standard oasis?**

Only for their own shows, not for affiliated clubs and societies

**6 What can I use instead of oasis in my flower arranging**

Please use only bio degradable oasis. Alternatively, you can use pebbles, sand, gravel, clay, marbles, compact moss, fruit or a potato.

**7 How is the potato competition judged**

Judges look for clean, blemish free, medium sized uniform tubers, well-shaped with shallow eyes

**8 How do I know which class to enter my daffodils in**

There is a guide in the handbook and on our website. There is also a classified list on the internet. If in doubt, please ask a steward when you bring your exhibits on Show Day

**9 How do I know which class to enter my tulips in**

There is a guide in the handbook and on this website. If in doubt, please ask a steward when you bring your exhibits on show day

**10 How do I know which class to enter my camellias in**

There are two camellia classes. If your flower has one layer/row of up to 8 petals, then it is a single camellia. The double camellia class is for any other flower type

**11 Can I display leaves with my currants**

Yes, any leaves should be under the currants to ensure good visibility for the judging

**12 What is a strig**

According to the RHS, a strig is a term relating to currants or berries of a similar bearing habit. Strig indicates a bunch, or in botanical terms, a complete raceme or panicle of

berries. It is best detached from the plant with scissors and should not include any of the woody section at the base

**13 Can I use a kilner jar for my home produce**

Yes, this is fine

**14 Who can enter an open class**

Anyone can enter, it is completely open eg you do not need to live in Grayshott, and you do not need to be a member of the society, or a relative of society member

**15 Where I enter with my own container, are there any rules about colour or decoration**

There are no rules about colour or decoration of containers – it is the plants that are judged, so no extra marks are given for even the most beautiful pot!

**16 Is there a general guide to how the judging is carried out**

Yes, the guidance for judging is published in the Horticultural Show Handbook, which is the official guide to organising, judging and competing in a show

**17 Is the vase size for exhibits absolute**

It really depends on the class – unless the class is marked with an \*, the vase is provided and the size is absolute. If the class is displayed on a plate eg home produce, then the plate is provided, and we select the plate size to show the exhibit to best advantage.

For those classes where the exhibitor provides the vase etc, then the wording clarifies eg if the bowl is a maximum of 6” – it cannot be more; if the container has a minimum size of 10” – it cannot be less.

**18 Do I have to provide my own doilies for my home produce entries**

Yes please

**19 What time can I bring my exhibits to the hall on Show Day**

The hall is open for entrants from 8.40 to 10am. Please come to the small hall, where tables are set up for you to perfect your entries. Vases and water are provided

If you are exhibiting in a large number of classes, it may be possible for you to come earlier than 8.40 am – you’ll be contacted on the Friday afternoon before the show if this is the case

**20 Do my snap peas go into class 50 or 51 n the Summer Show**

Class 50

**21 Can Summer class 40 include strawberries/raspberries/black/red/white currants ie the same fruits as classes 35-39?**

Yes

**22 Have the recipes provided been tried and tested?**

Yes, and the Show Committee thought they were delicious – happy baking!