

RULES FOR EXHIBITORS

£1 fee per exhibitor (unlimited classes) includes free entry to Marquee. Free to exhibitors under 14 years old.

1. Wherever practicable the rules and standards contained in the Royal Horticultural Society's Horticultural Show Handbook will apply.
2. All exhibits in Section A must be bona fide produce of the exhibitor and must have been owned and grown by him or her in his or her garden or allotment for at least three months. The Committee shall be empowered to visit the garden or allotment of any exhibitor should any question of doubt arise. In the event of an infringement of this rule the Committee reserves the right to refuse further entries from the exhibitor concerned.
3. Competitors must be amateurs and may only enter one exhibit per class.
4. Exhibits, together with a completed official entry form, must be registered at the Marquee no later than 9.30am on Saturday 28th August 2021.
5. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without being required to give any reason or explanation.
6. Exhibits may be staged on the eve of the Show between 6.00pm and 9.00pm or between 7.30am and 9.30am on the day of the Show. All staging must be completed by 9.45am when exhibitors MUST leave the Marquee. Every exhibit must bear a card which will be issued by the Society before staging is commenced.
7. In this schedule the words 'kinds' and 'varieties' are used in the following senses: potatoes and peas are distinct 'kinds' of vegetables, Duke of York and Majestic are 'varieties' of potatoes.
8. In the vegetable and fruit classes, unless otherwise stated, an exhibit must consist of one variety. The mixing of two or more varieties will disqualify the entry unless expressly allowed in this Schedule. Similarly, where a number is specified, as in 'A dish of six runner beans' no more nor less must be shown.
9. In order to follow RHS guidelines, exhibitors must provide their own vases etc. For plates and dishes it is permissible to substitute a paper doily or something similar.
10. Whenever possible an exhibit of vegetables, fruit or flowers should bear a small label with the name of the variety. Exhibitors will be responsible for placing such name cards and for the accuracy of the particulars given thereon.
11. The Judges may modify or withhold any prize if the standard of the exhibit does not merit the prize offered.
12. The Judges' decision as to the relative merits of the exhibits shall be final and the decision of the Committee shall be final on all other matters connected with the Show. In the event of a tie, the person with the most entries will be awarded the trophy.
13. Any protest must be delivered in writing to the Society by 3.00pm on the day of the Show. A protest must be accompanied by a deposit of £5.00 which will be refunded if the protest is upheld by a sub-Committee of three non-exhibitors appointed for the purpose.
14. All exhibits must remain in the Marquee and cannot be altered or removed between 9.45am and the conclusion of the prize-giving.
15. All cups remain the property of the Society and will be held by the successful exhibitors for one year and must be returned when requested by the Society, and are accepted by winners subject to the above conditions.
16. The Society will not be liable for the exhibits or personal property of the exhibitors and members of the public.