

APPENDIX 'E' - SHOW REGULATIONS

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This **Appendix 'E' Show Regulations** should be read in conjunction with the National Rose Society of Australia Inc. (NRSA) booklet Judging Roses, a Handbook for Judges, as revised 2024. Local rules will take precedence over National rules.

EXHIBITION ROSES

Roses registered as Hybrid Tea, Climbing Hybrid Tea, Large-Flowered Climber, Grandiflora or Climbing Grandiflora

- 1. The award for Champion and Reserve Champion shall be selected from classes where roses are shown one bloom to a vase.
- 2. Exhibition roses are shown singly, the presence of a bud or buds attached will disqualify. Wiring is permitted.
- 3. Exhibition roses shall be shown in rows of three deep, where possible.

BUNCH ROSES

Roses registered as Hybrid Tea, Climbing Hybrid Tea, Large-Flowered Climber, Grandiflora or Climbing Grandiflora

- 4. Bunch classes shall be shown in single stems with no side buds and shall consist of not less than three stems of the same cultivar to a vase unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
- 5. A Bunch rose should have a good length of stem and good foliage, blooms should be uniform in size, half open and at an even stage of development. Petals are to be more upright and not pelleted out as in Exhibition roses.
- 6. Each vase shall be considered as a separate unit.

DECORATIVE ROSES

Roses registered as Hybrid Tea, Climbing Hybrid Tea, Large Flowered Climber, Grandiflora or Climbing Grandiflora

- 7. These are to be shown as follows:
 - (a) 3 cuts and/or stems to a vase of the same cultivar, any number of buds and/or blooms are allowed per cut. Buds or blooms may be at any stage of development.
 - (b) 4-6 cuts and/or stems to a vase of the same cultivar with a minimum of 10 blooms. Buds or blooms may be at any stage of development. The vase is to be marked with a sticker with 'D' written on it.

NOTE: Single Hybrid Tea roses may be shown in this classification. The winners of Classes 23A, 72B and 102C in Appendix 'F' are eligible for Champion Vase of Decorative Roses 3 cuts and/or stems.



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BUD TO FULLY OPEN BLOOMS

Roses from all registered classifications EXCEPT Miniature, Climbing Miniature, Miniflora, Climbing Miniflora, Polyantha. Single roses are also excluded.

8. Bud to Fully Open Bloom is to represent a rose of the same cultivar at four stages of its development and shall consist of four stems.

1st Stage: Bud to show colour, petals not starting to unfurl, sepals to be disregarded.

2nd Stage: Midway between 1st and 3rd stage.

3rd Stage: As in an Exhibition rose.

4th Stage: Fully open bloom. Stamens of the rose to be fresh and visible.

FULLY OPEN BLOOMS

Roses from all registered classifications EXCEPT Miniature, Climbing Miniature, Miniflora, Climbing Miniflora or Polyantha

9. Fully open blooms should be free from blemish and clearly show stamens with fresh pollen visible.

These are to be shown as follows:

(a) 3 stems to a vase of the same cultivar unless otherwise stated in the schedule.

GRANDIFLORA ROSES

Roses registered as Grandiflora or Climbing Grandiflora

- 10. These are to be shown as follows:
 - (a) 1-6 cuts and/or stems, same cultivar, unlimited blooms. The vase is to be marked with a sticker with "G" written on it.
 - (b) 3 fully open blooms of the same cultivar unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
 - (c) Bud to fully open bloom, 4 stages, same cultivar.

SINGLE ROSES

Roses registered in all classifications except Miniature, Climbing Miniature, Miniflora or Climbing Miniflora

11. A single rose has a single row of 5 petals but may have up to 3 additional petals in a second row.

These are to be shown as follows:

- (a) 3 cuts and/or stems of the same cultivar.
- (b) 1 stem or cut.



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FLORIBUNDA ROSES

Roses registered as Floribunda, Climbing Floribunda, Grandiflora or Climbing Grandiflora

12. These are to be shown as follows:

- (a) 1-6 cuts and/or stems, same cultivar, minimum of 10 blooms per vase. The vase is to be marked with a sticker with "F" written on it.
- (b) Up to 25 blooms, same cultivar, unlimited number of stems per vase.

SHRUB ROSES

Roses registered as Shrub, Kordesii, Hybrid Moyesii, Hybrid Musk, Hybrid Rugosa, English or Ground Cover

- 13. These are to be shown as follows:
 - (a) 1-6 cuts and/or stems to a vase, same cultivar, unlimited blooms. The vase is to be marked with a sticker with 'S' written on it.

MINIFLORA ROSES

Roses registered as Miniflora or Climbing Miniflora

- 14. These are to be shown as follows:
 - (a) 3 cuts and/or stems of the same cultivar per vase irrespective of the number of blooms on each cut unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
 - (b) 4-6 cuts and/or stems, same cultivar, minimum of 10 blooms. The vase is to be marked with a sticker with 'MF' written on it.
 - (c) 5 stems, same cultivar, displaying Bunch form.
 - (d) Bud to fully open bloom, 4 stages, same cultivar.
 - (e) 3 stems, fully open blooms, same cultivar.

Classes for 5 stems displaying Bunch form, Bud to Fully Open Bloom and Fully Open Bloom units shall be judged in accordance with the requirements for Hybrid Tea roses.



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MINIATURE ROSES

Roses registered as Miniature or Climbing Miniature

- 15. These are to be shown as follows:
 - (a) 3 cuts and/or stems of the same cultivar per vase irrespective of the number of blooms on each cut unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
 - (b) 4-6 cuts and/or stems of the same cultivar, minimum of 10 blooms per vase. The vase is to be marked with a sticker with "M" written on it.
 - (c) 5 stems, same cultivar, displaying Bunch form.
 - (d) Bud to fully open bloom, 4 stages, same cultivar.
 - (e) 3 stems, fully open blooms, same cultivar

Classes for 5 stems displaying Bunch form, Bud to Fully Open Bloom and Fully Open Bloom units shall be judged in accordance with the requirements for Hybrid Tea roses.

POTTED MINIATURES

16. Pot size is specified as up to 200 mm (8 inches). Plants will be judged as follows:

Condition30 pointsOverall Beauty30 pointsPresentation20 pointsStem and Foliage20 points

GENERAL

- 17. A unit shall consist of one vase. An exhibit shall consist of one or more units.
- 18. Tied stems in a multi-stemmed unit are not permitted. The unit will be disqualified.
- 19. Ten points will be deducted for each and every pellet left in a unit, three or more pellets will disqualify the unit. Exhibits containing a bloom or unit which has been disqualified will be assessed on the strength of the remaining blooms or units. All remaining blooms or units will be afforded the same consideration as every other exhibit.
- 20. It shall be the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that the number of stems or cuts at the top of the container can be counted by the judge and are not obscured by the packing material.
- 21. Wiring is not permitted, except as provided in Regulation 2 above.
- 22. Oasis may be used as a packing material provided that (a) it is provided by the exhibitor at no cost to the Society, and (b) that it does not protrude above the top of the container.



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- 23. A bud is the unexpanded stage of a rose flower with no petals unfurling. In the Bud to Fully Open Bloom exhibit, colour must be showing.
- 24. Bowls provided by the Society shall be 10cm florist bowls for Miniature roses and 15cm florist bowls for others. They shall contain a mini block of Oasis. Any offending unit shall be disqualified. Bowl exhibits shall be allowed a space of 30cm overall diameter. Arrangements can contain buds, foliage and heps (if desired), and will be viewed all round. Bowls are judged as follows:

Condition 30 points
Overall Beauty 30 points
Presentation 20 points
Stem & Foliage 20 points

- 25. All roses exhibited in a competition shall be from plants which have been grown by the exhibitor for at least three months immediately preceding the competition.
- 26. All Society members of the one residence and the children of that residence must exhibit at the grade of the highest graded Society member of that residence.
- 27. Exhibitors shall permit such persons as may be appointed by the Committee to view their gardens either prior to or after any show.
- 28. Exhibits must not be sprayed after being placed on the show bench nor may they be removed or replaced without permission of the Chief Steward.
- 29. A classified exhibitor may give verbal advice to another exhibitor but shall not physically assist in the preparation or staging of any exhibit other than his or her own.
- 30. Standard containers for all cultural classes will be provided and they, or the same type, must be used. If not used, the unit will be disqualified, unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
- 31. If an exhibitor is unable to stage his or her roses for any reason, permission may be given for an exhibitor of the same grade to stage on his or her behalf.
- 32. Appeals from exhibitors can be lodged free of charge to the Chairman of Judges within one hour after completion of judging.

CLASSIFICATIONS

33. For the purpose of exhibiting roses, a rose shall be judged according to the classification given to it in the latest version of Modern Roses. In the event of a rose being unclassified the Judges Panel of the Rose Society of NSW Inc. shall make recommendations to State Council as to where they feel that rose is most appropriately placed.