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Effective	HB Pg	Description of <i>Handbook</i> Change
Date	#	
01/01/18	2	Chart: (exception: Education change - "2 classes" to "2 <u>exhibits</u> ")
07/01/20	3	D.2.b.ii. There <u>must be three (3) or more</u> exhibits, botanically identical (variety, cultivar, series or trademarked name), or similar in form, color, size, or description to justify forming a subclass <u>with the exception of petite horticulture specimen(s) that are never in competition with standard-sized specimens but are subdivided into their own class or subclass.</u> (Additional reference HB page 61)
07/01/20	4	E.2. EXCEPTION: photography judging panels (see Chapter <u>10 Botanical Arts p. 96 C.1.</u>)
07/01/20	4	E.3. In an emergency <u>occurring the day judging is to take place ...</u>
07/01/20	6	3.d. All other entry cards must be marked with a check, hole punch or other mark to note the exhibit was judged.
07/01/20	16	IX J. Reminds <u>Accredited</u> Judges of the need to sign and date all blue ribbons, 90+ and Top Exhibitor Awards ribbons, and to <u>mark all other entry cards with a check, hole punch or other mark to note the exhibit was judged.</u>
07/01/20	16	X.F.5. Strike initialed Insert <u>marked to indicate exhibit was judged.</u>
07/01/20	19	I.A.3. Strike the third sentence: " They are listed in the following sequence. " Insert <u>Order is determined by staging with required divisions taking priority.</u>
07/01/20	20	B.1. The schedule consists of <u>six (6) basic parts ...</u> b. Table of Contents with page numbers. Adjust lettering for the parts that follow c-f. Strike B.2. in its entirety. B.3 becomes B.2 and B.4 becomes B.3
07/01/17	22	Strike: Section Insert <u>Division II Design</u>
07/01/21	25	<i>Summer TNG (digital), p. 28</i> : IV.A.6.e. insert Horticulture entries: " <u>Exhibitor may make more than one entry per class if each is a different species, variety, cultivar, type or color.</u> "
07/01/17	28	B.4. Classes in each section are listed alphabetically by <u>Insert genus or binomial name.</u> "
07/01/17	30	VIII.B.2 Strike may insert <u>must</u> . See p. 85 II A.
07/01/20	30	VIII.B.4. In large shows, related exhibits may be listed in sections with at least Strike four (4) Insert: <u>three (3) exhibits per section</u> (See p. 85 II.B.)
07/01/17	31	X.A.d,e,f,g Strike Chapter 11 insert 10
10/01/21	33	<i>Fall TNG (digital), p. 17</i> : Clarification: "Cut Specimens are exhibited in clean, transparent (clear) containers. Conainers do not have to be colorless but cut stem/s should be viewed easily through any colored container."
07/01/20	34	C.6. Approved wedging Strike types Insert <u>type</u> . Only one type of wedging allowed for uniformity.
07/01/20	35	II.A. Designer is free to incorporate staging properties, Insert <u>unless the schedule prohibits it.</u> The staging panel then is used only as a <u>Frame of Reference.</u>
07/01/20	35	II.D. At the end of the second sentence after the word exhibit Insert <u>and is not used to describe what is now the Staging Panel.</u>
07/01/20	40	I.B.10. Insert <u>Exception: Two (2) Top Exhibitor Awards are required in a Horticulture or Design Specialty Show.</u>
01/01/18	40	I.C.1 add <u>except for Education Division.</u>
07/01/17	40	II.B - Add " blue-ribbon winning " before 'exhibit'. [eff 7/1/20: Insert: highest scoring blue-ribbon exhibit, scoring 95 or more.]
01/01/18	41	II.C.1.c. insert " or container-grown portions of vines " are not eligible

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01/01/18	41	II.C.4.a. Strike Standard Insert <u>NGC</u> to read "in a non-Petite NGC Flower Show"
07/01/20	42	III.B.1. And 2. Add after blue ribbon exhibit, <u>scoring 95 or more</u>
01/01/18	43	III.C.3.b. Strike Standard Insert <u>NGC</u> to read "in a Petite NGC Flower Show"
07/01/20	43	Educational Top Exhibitor Award - Add (<u>Division Award</u>)
07/01/20	44	VI.A. Strike four (4) Insert: <u>three (3) awards may be offered in each division, one (1) per age group, a total of 12 awards.</u>
07/01/17	46	XI. Award Summary (chart) Arboreal Award: Cut Insert <u>or container-grown</u> branches of trees and/or shrubs
07/01/20	46	(chart) Grower's Choice Awards Container-grown specimen(s) Insert <u>Including Combination Plantings</u>
07/01/20	47	Insert at the bottom of page under charts: Note: Combination Plantings are entered into the Horticulture Division and are eligible for the Grower's Choice Award. Gardens and "fairy gardens" are placed in the Botanical Arts Division in the Horticulture Section and offered the Botanical Arts Horticulture Award. Both are judged by the Combination Plantings Scale of Points, p. 129.
07/01/17	47	Educational Award (Box) Strike Section in the Type column and insert: <u>Division</u>
07/01/20	49	Under HORTICULTURE Insert <u>The primary horticulture nomenclature resource for Flower Show Schools and Symposium of National Garden Clubs, Inc. is www.plantsoftheworldonline.org This is the current, most relevant, easiest to use and complete on-line search engine for plant nomenclature.</u>
07/01/20	56	B.4. Grooming and Specimen Staging, Strike colorless Insert unobtrusive glass marbles, pebbles, etc. as stated in Chapter 4 p. 34 A.4. for consistency.
07/01/21	59	<i>Summer TNG (Digital), p. 28:</i> III. Combination Plantings. A. Strike Naturalistic and insert <u>Natural</u> accessories ... (F. Troughs - naturalistic remains unchanged)
07/01/20	61	VI.B. Strike may Insert <u>must</u> be subdivided
01/01/18	67	2.c. Strike e Insert 3 . Strike i and ii Insert a and b.
01/01/18	68	D. Strike amount and quantity Insert <u>amount/s and quantity/ies</u>
07/01/20	70	B.3. Strike informal Insert <u>in formal balance</u>
07/01/20	72	A.4. At the end if the sentence Insert <u>[Exception: Grouped Mass]</u>
07/01/20	74	G.4. Add: ... but Designer's Choice Award may NOT be offered.
01/01/18	76	P.1 Functional Table - Strike for <u>two (2) or more</u> Insert <u>for any number of persons ...</u>
07/01/20	76	d.v. Table/Tray for One Strike proportion Insert <u>scale</u>
07/01/20	78	Clarification: H.1. Height of the completed design must not exceed 1/4 the length or 1/4 the width of the completed design, whichever is more. (Length or width refers to horizontal measurement.)
07/01/20	78	Insert H.3. No minimum or maximum limit is put on length or width except for schedule requirements.
07/01/17	81	C.1.a. Strike: other than plant material
01/01/18	81	XI.1. Correct spelling: plaiting
07/01/17	82	XI. 13. Correct spelling: Pavé , mosaic effect
07/01/17	83	XI. 22. Correct spelling: Skewering ; Veiling metallic threads ; Wiring - Inserting
07/01/20	86	IV. Insert <u>Division</u> Award

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07/01/20	91	I. Botanical Arts Horticulture Ownership Clarification. All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor. 1. Arboreal - 6 months 2. Dried and Preserved specimens - Schedule may state length of ownership 3. Landscapes - Permanent - 6 months, but annuals may be replaced as needed - Temporary - no length of time requirement - Container-grown Miniature Gardens (fairy gardens or dioramas) - 6 weeks 4. Manipulated plants - 6 months, Schedule will state if manipulation must be done by exhibitor
07/01/21	93	<i>Summer TNG (Digital) p. 28:</i> II.B.1.b.i. A design organized in a strike naturalistic and insert <u>natural</u> manner
07/01/20	94	II B.5. Botanical Arts Design Exploration Strike <u>e</u> entirely.
07/01/20	100	II.A. Conformance (5 pts) - adherence to the class requirements Insert <u>for plant type and how it is exhibited.</u>
07/01/17	105	F.2. Creative/Distinctive (10 Pts)
07/01/17	106	I.C. Strike Low rise Insert <u>Low-Profile</u>
07/01/20	107	top of page, 2nd gray box: Strike background Insert <u>staging panel</u>
07/01/20	108	4. Insert <u>amount/s and quantity/ies</u>
07/01/21	112	<i>Summer TNG (Digital) p. 28:</i> Artistic Crafts point values are changed in their distribution: Conformance 14 Points [Design type, if applicable 7 pts., All other requirements 7 pts.]; Design 48 Points [Each principle worth 8 points: Balance, Contrast, Dominance, Proportion, Rhythm, Scale]; Craftsmanship and Technique 24 points [12 points for each]; Distinction 14 Points. <i>Also see revised Scale of Points for Artistic Crafts, p. 131, and/or the revised Point Scoring Form posted on the www.gardenclub.org website, Flower Show School Resources page</i>
07/01/20	113, 114	III. Becoming a Student Judge A. Strike and Insert <u>Successful completion of three (3) Flower Show School courses. NGC recommends that a course series be taken in sequential order, but this is not required.</u> B. minimum score of Strike 75 for all exams for Course I and the other two (2) courses of the three remaining. Insert <u>70 for all exams in any three (3) courses.</u>
01/01/18	114	III.B. 1. Add "... but only the failed examination/s of that subject need be retaken and passed.
07/01/20	114	Note: Strike After completion of Course I and any other course, Insert <u>After successful completion of any two (2) courses</u>
07/01/20	114, 115	IV. Becoming an Accredited Judge A.2. minimum score of Strike 75 Insert <u>70</u> B. Judging Requirements 1. Strike all and Insert <u>The Student Judge must judge five (5) NGC Flower Shows with a minimum of 6 classes.</u> a. <u>A Small Standard and Standard Flower Show required to include at least one (1) class in Horticulture, one (1) class in Design and four (4) classes in any of the five (5) divisions, with the exception of Photography.</u> b. <u>A Specialty Flower Show, depending on type, requires one (1) class in either Horticulture or Design and five (5) classes in any of the four (4) divisions, with the exception of Photography.</u>
7/1/2021 ???	115	B.1. Strike of Design and insert <u>In a Design Specialty Show, the requirements for a judging credit will be to judge three (3) classes of Design or two (2) classes of Design and one (1) class in any other division (with the exception of BA Photography).</u>
07/01/21	115	C. (Student Judge Required Exhibiting Credits box), insert after General Chairman: <u>Eligible to earn one (1) Alternate Exhibiting Credit: Providing a Design or Horticulture exhibit at a Flower Show School for the Practice Point Scoring.</u> (This would be one (1) of the 5 exhibiting credits that are required for students.)

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07/01/20	115	4. Strike minimum score of 75 Insert 70 E. Handbook Exam 1. Strike pass with a score of 75 Insert 70
07/01/20	117	V. Becoming an Accredited Life Judge A. 2. Strike all and Insert <u>Judge five (5) NGC Flower Shows with a minimum of (6) classes.</u> <u>a. A Small Standard and Standard Flower Shows required to include at least one (1) class in Horticulture, one class in Design and four (4) classes in any of the five (5) divisions.</u> <u>b. A Specialty Flower Show, depending on type, requires one (1) class in either Horticulture or Design and five (5) classes in any of the four (4) divisions.</u> <u>c. Exception: Photography is not eligible for a judging credit.</u>
07/01/21	117	V.A.2. Becoming an Accredited Life Judge - Requirements to Refresh: Judge strike five (5) and insert three (3).
07/01/21 ???	117	V.A.2. Becoming an Accredited Life Judge - Requirements to Refresh: Strike or Design and insert <u>In a Design Specialty Show, the requirements for a judging credit will be to judge three (3) classes of Design or two (2) classes of Design and one (1) class in any other division (with the exception of BA Photography).</u>
07/01/20	117	V.A.3. Add: <u>d. Serving on an Evaluation Panel for an NGC Flower Show.</u> Effective 7/1/20
07/01/21	117	V.B.1. Strike all and insert: <u>Earn at least two (2) exhibiting credits for each year between each refresher, including at least one (1) ribbon in Horticulture and one (1) ribbon in Design in an NGC Flower Show</u>
07/01/19	117	V.B.2. Strike and Insert: <u>Earn three (3) additional exhibiting credits in any of the four (4) Divisions: Horticulture, Design, Education and Botanical Arts, with the exception of Photography.</u>
07/01/21	117	V.B.2. Strike all and insert: <u>Earn additional exhibiting credits in any of the four (4) Divisions, Horticulture, Design, Education and Botanical Arts, with the exception of Photography.</u>
07/01/21	117	<i>Summer TNG (Digital) p. 28:</i> Additional Exhibiting Credit box: 1. Any Horticulture, Design insert <u>Educational</u> , and <u>One (1) Alternate Exhibiting Credit (box, p. 118)</u>
07/01/21	118	<i>Summer TNG (Digital) p. 28:</i> Alternate Exhibiting Credit box: 1. Strike all, and renumber 2 and 3 to 1 and 2
07/01/20	118	V.D. Strike minimum of 75 and Insert <u>70</u>
07/01/21	118	Bottom of page, insert under gray highlighted Note: <u>Note: Accredited and Life Judges may earn one (1) Judging Credit when taking an NGC Symposium for credit. The Judge must take and pass the point scoring exam to receive this judging credit. Note: All Judges (Student, Accredited, Life and Master) Eligible to earn Alternate Exhibiting Credit as a Chairman of a flower show and one (1) other exhibiting credit in an NGC Flower Show. Only 2 exhibiting credits may be earned per show.</u>
07/01/20	119	Both boxes 3. Strike minimum score 75 Insert <u>70</u> and signed by Instructor.

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07/01/20	119	VI. Becoming an Accredited Master Judge Judging Requirements per refresher insert <u>Judge one (1) NGC Flower Show with a minimum of six (6) classes.</u> 1. <u>A Small Standard and Standard Flower Show required to include at least one (1) class in Horticulture and one (1) class in Design and four (4) classes in any of the five (5) divisions.</u> 2. <u>A Specialty Flower show, depending on the type, requires one (1) class in Horticulture or Design, and five (5) classes in any of the four (4) divisions.</u> 3. <u>Exception: Photography is not eligible for judging credit.</u>
07/01/17	119	VI. - Delete the letter 'A'; keep the paragraph. Change "two" to " four " months in the last line of paragraph. Delete the letter 'B'. and the sentence that follows.
7/1/19 and 7/1/20 in red	119	VI. TABLE at bottom of page Statement 1. Add, <u>Serving on an evaluation panel of an NGC Flower Show.</u> Statement 2. Reword: Earn at least two (2) exhibiting credits, including at least one (1) ribbon in Design or Botanical Arts Design, Including Artistic Crafts and Exploration and one (21) ribbon in Horticulture or Botanical Arts Horticulture in a Small Standard, Standard or Specialty Flower Show for each year or part of a year between refreshers. One alternate exhibiting credit may be earned by providing a judged/critiqued Horticulture or Design exhibit for practice or written point-scoring exam in an NGC Flower Show School or Symposium.
07/01/21	119	Accredited Judge to Life Judge Requirements box 1. Earn strike five (5) insert <u>three (3)</u> Judging credits... 2. Earn strike five (5) insert <u>two (2)</u> exhibiting credits ...
7/1/19 and 7/1/20 in red	120	TABLE at top of page (Maintaining Accredited Master Judge Certification) Statement 1. Reword: Must earn one (1) ribbon in either Horticulture or Botanical Arts Horticulture and one (1) ribbon in either Design or Botanical Arts Design, including Artistic Crafts and Exploration , in Small Standard, Standard or Specialty Flower Show for each Symposium attended for credit. One alternate exhibiting credit may be earned by providing a judged/critiqued Horticulture or Design exhibit for a practice or written point-scoring exam in an NGC Flower Show School or Symposium. Statement 3. <u>Add Alternate judging credit, serving on an evaluation panel of an NGC Flower Show.</u>
01/01/18	121	Bottom of page: Delete " Note " and the sentence that follows.
01/01/18	124	Flower Show Procedures A. ... Handbook for Flower Shows
01/01/18	124	B.2. ... of Standard Flower Shows (delete 's' on Flowers)
01/01/18	124	Bottom of second column: ... Local Flower Show Schools Committee to provide ...
07/01/20	125	Flower Show Procedures Curriculum Course II E. Strike and Insert <u>Explanation of Botanical Arts Photography section and requirements for Botanical Arts Photography Award. (Committee to work with instructor on obtaining examples of Botanical Arts Photography.)</u>
07/01/21	126- 127	Horticulture Curriculum for Courses III and IV are revised, effective July 1, 2021. View those changes on the NGC website FSS Resourcesol Resources page, under "Curriculum" (www.gardenclub.org)

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07/01/20	127	Flower Show Procedure Curriculum Course IV D. Strike and Insert <u>Evaluating an NGC Flower Show, Evaluation Point Scoring Form and Criteria.</u>
07/01/20	129	Scales of Points Horticulture, Clarification Criteria, Conformance: Adherence to Schedule Requirements for plant type and how it is exhibited (cut or container-grown). Other items are judged under other Criteria such as blooming (Form/Maturity), number of leaves (Form/Maturity) stem length (Size/Grooming) container (Staging), etc.
07/01/21	131	Summer TNG (Digital) p. 28: Scales of Points, VI. Artistic Crafts: Conformance 14 Points [Design type, if applicable 7 pts., All other requirements 7 pts.]; Design 48 Points [Each principle worth 8 points: Balance, Contrast, Dominance, Proportion, Rhythm, Scale]; Craftsmanship 12 Points; Techniques 12 Points; Distinction 14 Points. 100 Points total.
07/01/20	135	XI. Scale of Points for Evaluating Standard Flower Show Schedules Criteria I. Required Format Value (points) Strike 15 Insert <u>14</u>
07/01/20	137	5.D. Add after specific epithet, <u>cultivar</u>
07/01/20	137	6. Horticulture Sections and Classes Value (points) Strike 10 Insert <u>8</u>
01/01/18	137	7.B. Replace "Exhibitor" with " Designer "
07/01/20	138	9. Educational Exhibits Value (points) Strike 5 insert <u>6</u>
07/01/20	138	11. Botanical Arts Value (points) Strike 6 Insert <u>12</u>
07/01/20	138	B. Types of exhibits required Insert 1. Botanical Horticulture 2. Botanical Design Renumber 3. Artistic Crafts 4. Photography 5. Staging provided by Committee for each section
07/01/20	138	12. Other Value (points) Strike 5 Insert <u>1</u>
07/01/20	140	Artificial. Strike second sentence entirely
07/01/20	141	Color Harmony. Strike ordinary insert <u>orderly</u>
07/01/21	148	Summer TNG (digital) p. 28 : Glossary - Add " Natural - Existing or caused by nature, not made or caused by humankind."
07/01/21	152	Summer TNG (digital) p. 28 : Glossary: Staging Panel. Insertd at the beginning of the definition: "Two-dimensional or three-dimensional"...
07/01/21		Summer TNG (digital) p. 28 : Flower Show School Symposium - Allied topics at the Symposium level may be taught virtually or in person, as decided by the State Symposium Chairman and the contracted instructor or presenter. Flower Show School Committee (FSSC) - A new position has been added to the FSSC: State Credentials Chairman, Suzy Andrego. The committee list will be posted on the website.