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MINNESOTA DAHLIA SOCIETY

FALL DAHLIA
SHOW





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Virus Alert

The Directors of the Midwest Dahlia Conference have agreed to take up the cause to promote the destruction of tubers from plants with viruses. Not all dahlias have viruses, but we need to get rid of those that do. In accordance with this strategy, entries in MDS shows that exhibit leaves showing signs and symptoms of virus will be penalized per the judges' manual and a notation made recommending destruction of the stock. We do not want to encourage exhibitors to keep plants with viruses! Please see the ADS Webpage (www.dahlia.org) for pictures of foliage with viruses and further information.

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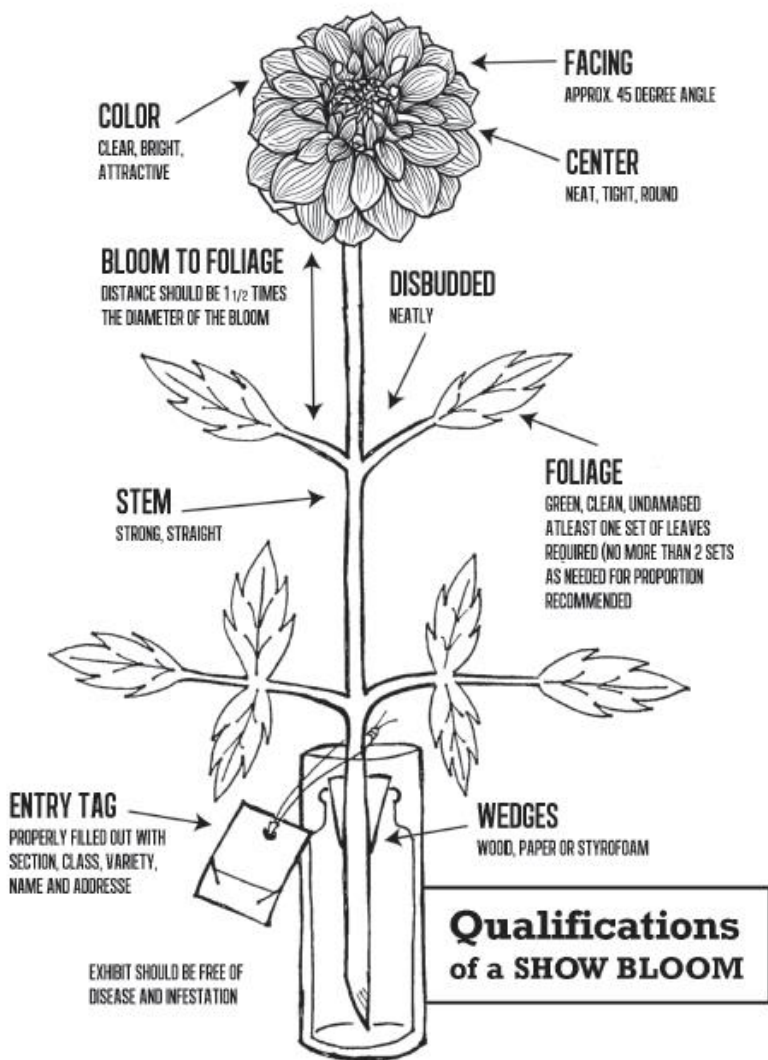
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Qualifications of a Show Bloom



Classification of Dahlias

Abbreviations (for usage on entry tags)

Form		Color	
AN	Anemone	BI	Bicolor
BA	Ball	BR	Bronze
CO	Collarette	DB	Dark Blend
FD	Formal Decorative	DP	Dark Pink
IC	Incurved Cactus	DR	Dark Red
ID	Informal Decorative	FL	Flame Blend
LC	Laciniated	L	Lavender
MB	Miniature Ball	LB	Light Blend
MS	Mignon Single	OR	Orange
NX	Novelty Fully Double	PK	Pink
NO	Novelty Open	PR	Purple/Black
O	Orchid	R	Red
OT	Orchette	V	Variegated
P	Pompon	W	White
PE	Peony	Y	Yellow
S	Single		
SC	Semi-Cactus		
ST	Stellar		
WL	Waterlily		

Size

AA	Giant	Over 10 inches in diameter
A	Large	Over 8-10 inches in diameter
B	Medium	Over 6-8 inches in diameter
BB	Small	Over 4-6 inches in diameter
M	Miniature	Up to 4 inches in diameter
BA	Ball	Over 3.5 inches in diameter
MB	Miniature Ball	Over 2 to 3.5 inches in diameter
P	Pompon	Up to 2 inches in diameter
MS	Mignon Single	Up to 2 inches in diameter

Key to 4-Digit Class Numbers

Table 1

SIZED DAHLIAS				
Size	1 st #		Form	2 nd #
AA	0		FD	0
A	1		ID	1
B	2		SC	2
BB	3		C	3
M	4		IC	4
			LC	5

Table 2

OTHER FORMS	
Form	1 st 2 #s
BA	60
MB	61
P	62
ST	70
WL	73
NX	76
PE	80
AN	82
NO	86
CO	90
O	92
OT	94
S	96
MS	97

Table 3

Color	Last 2 #s
White	01
Yellow	02
Orange	03
Pink	04
Dark Pink	05
Red	06
Dark Red	07
Lavender	08
Purple/Black	09
Light Blend	10
Bronze	11
Flame	12
Dark Blend	13
Variegated	14
Bicolor	15

Table 1 is for Sized Dahlias. The left portion of the table shows the Size and corresponding 1st digit. The right side shows the Form and the corresponding 2nd digit.

Table 2 is for Other Forms. Because there is no size involved, each Form has its own corresponding 2 digits.

Table 3 is for Color. This table is used in conjunction with either Table 1 or Table 2.

Example 1: a B-IC-FL would be a 2412. B size, 1st digit is 2; IC, 2nd digit is 4 (1st & 2nd digits come from Table 1); FL, Flame, is 12 (from Table 3).

Example 2: a WL-DP would be a 7305. WL is a 73 (from Table 2); DP, Dark Pink, is 05 (from Table 3).

Example 3: working backwards, a 4010 would be M-FD-LB. 1st digit, 4, is M; 2nd digit, 0, is FD (1st & 2nd digits come from Table 1); last two digits, 10, is LB, Light Blend (from Table 3).

Example 4: working backwards, a 9015 would be a CO-BI. First 2 digits 90, is CO (from Table 2); last two digits, 15 is BI, Bicolor (from Table 3).

General Show Rules

See Section AR for additional rules that apply to the Arrangement section.

1. All exhibitors must be members in good standing of the Minnesota Dahlia Society or an American Dahlia Society affiliated society. Venue: Bachman's Garden Center, 6010 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis

2. **Special note regarding staging times.** Exhibits may be staged only between 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m. on **Friday, September 15th** and between 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. **Saturday, September 16th**. Entry is not allowed to the show site between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

You should park in the back, employee lot, and enter through the glass door next to the picnic table. Enter your name and time on the sign-in sheet, just inside the door. Then haul your blooms up the long ramp, straight into the Heritage room.

3. **Exhibits must be in place by 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, the day of judging.** However, no entry may be placed until the show chairperson opens the exhibit room. Entry tags must be attached when exhibits are placed.

4. **Open to all Section:** For an undisseminated seedling to be eligible, the variety must be 3 or more years old. Each entry must be named with the proper numerical identification as outlined by the ADS in the Classification Handbook on page 10.

5. The exhibitor must grow the blooms being exhibited, except in section AR.

6. If an exhibitor grows dahlias for the purpose of selling roots, rooted cuttings, plants or cut flowers, they must exhibit in the 'Open to All' sections.
7. If an exhibitor utilizes a cloth house for growing, they must exhibit all blooms in the 'Open to All' sections. A cloth house, as referred to in this schedule, is a framework to which is attached or suspended material which covers the top and/or all of the sides.
8. The use of any artificial material, such as wire, splints or cords used to support the stem above the container will disqualify the entry. Staging material may extend no more than ½" above the rim of the container.
9. Exhibitors must follow ADS classification list as to size, color and type. All varieties will be exhibited in a class consistent with its ADS classification regardless of the actual size or form of the bloom. No bloom so entered will be disqualified or penalized by the judges because of its size.
10. Any variety not listed in the ADS Classification Handbook should be taken to the classification table for assignment of classification number. **Exhibitors must move their own items from the classification table to the show tables by 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning. All items must have an entry tag with a legible variety name or seedling identifier. Once a seedling receives a classification it is to retain that classification number for future shows until submitted to be reclassified. Please do not use the classification table as a means of identifying an unknown dahlia.**
11. The show committee provides containers for one and three bloom entries. Multiple bloom entries may use provided containers, if available, or bring their own.

12. Buds showing color will be counted as blooms when a number of blooms are specified.

13. Award will not be made unless exhibit is considered sufficiently meritorious. If judges cannot award a first place ribbon, a second or third may be given.

14. Any bloom entered in the wrong class or with an incorrect variety name may be moved to its proper class or disqualified if that class has already been judged.

15. Any entry without an attached pair of leaves shall be disqualified. Exception: Section C. A set of leaves rowing up to an inch apart is considered "paired". No more than 2 sets of leaves, as needed for proportion, are recommended.

16. No entry may be withdrawn from the showroom without permission of the show chairperson.

17. At no time may exhibitors remove ribbons.

18. The society is not responsible for the loss or damage to exhibits or personal property of exhibitors. Exhibitors are solely responsible for retrieving their vases, baskets, and other personal material immediately after the closing of the show.

19. Family member couples who share the work of their dahlias may exhibit under either member's name, or may choose to divide their entries. However, points earned will be combined when determining eligibility for section AM. Also, either member will receive credit for meeting the growing and showing requirements of Judge Accreditation.

20. Children of Family Members may exhibit in one restricted section,

Junior (for which they qualify), until they reach their 18th birthday. They may also exhibit in the 'Open to All' sections. Blooms exhibited must be from plants for which the 'Junior' member provided most of the care from planting to show.

21. Any entry receiving a 1st place ribbon in ADS classification range 0001-1515 is eligible for the Largest Bloom Award. Largest Bloom is based 100% on size.

22. The Show Chair may disqualify and/or remove any entry deemed to be diseased or infested.

Section AR – Artistic Arrangements

“What I Did on My Summer Vacation ”

JUNIOR DIVISION

AR 1 **Camping Trip**

NOVICE DIVISION

AR 2 **Backyard Barbecue**

AMATEUR DIVISION

AR 3 **Hot Air Ballooning**

AR 4 **Whitewater Rafting**

ADVANCED AMATEUR

AR 5 **Rock Climbing**

AR 6 **Golfing at Hazeltine**

OPEN TO ALL

AR 7 **Honeymooning at Niagara Falls**

AR 8 **African Safari**

AR 9 **Cruising the Mediterranean**

AWARDS:

Special Award Ribbon and a Dahlia Society Medal for the best first place entry in each division

Court of Honor ribbon will be awarded to the most outstanding exhibit in the section.

Artistic Arrangements Rules

1. Definition of Divisions:

- a. A 'Junior' is a family member under 18 years of age.
- b. A 'Novice' is a person who has never won a blue ribbon in arranging in any major show.
- c. An 'Amateur' is a person who has won at least one, but less than five blue ribbons in arranging in any major show.
- d. An 'Advanced Amateur' is a person who has won five or more blue ribbons in arranging in major shows. A major show is a standard show held by State Societies, Special Societies, and Federated Garden Clubs.

2. An exhibitor who has won the Court of Honor arrangement in the previous year may only enter in the Open for All classes.
3. An exhibitor may make only one entry for any one class. In addition to entering the classes for which they qualify, exhibitors may enter in the Open to All class.
4. Flowers need not be grown by the exhibitor, but Dahlias must be the predominate floral material.
5. No state conservation plant material is to be included in any floral design.
6. Entries must contain natural plant material unless otherwise specified in the schedule. Driftwood and treated dry plant material is permissible. Mats and/or bases, accessories and/or accessory containers as well as backgrounds are also permitted. Uncut fruit, vegetables or seeds may be used in floral designs unless indicated otherwise.

7. Arrangements are not to exceed 20 inches in width or depth, but are not limited as to height.
8. All exhibits must be in place by 8:30 a.m. Exhibitors may remove exhibits after 4:00 p.m. Sunday or earlier if so directed by the Show Chairperson.

SCALE OF POINTS USED IN JUDGING ARRANGEMENTS

Design (balance, dominance, contrast, rhythm, scale, proportion)	25
Conformance or Interpretation of Schedule	20
Color Harmony	15
Relationship of all Materials	15
Distinction and Originality	15
Condition	10
TOTAL	100

Section DY – Dahlia of the Year

Single-bloom entries of “**NTAC Patricia**” will be accepted for the 2017 Dahlia of the Year.

Court of Honor Ribbon will be awarded to the most outstanding exhibit in the section.

Section AM – Amateur

Any member can participate in this section for their initial five (5) years of showing blooms or until they have accumulated 200 points in ADS Affiliated Society Dahlia shows. A person eligible to enter this section may also exhibit in the “Open to All” sections.

SINGLE BLOOM ENTRIES with classification number matching ADS classification number 0001-3515

Open to All Sections

Single Bloom Categories

AA	One Bloom Giant	0001 - 0515
A	One Bloom Large	1001 - 1515
B	One Bloom Medium	2001 - 2515
BB	One Bloom Small	3001 - 3515
M	One Bloom Miniature	4001 - 4515
BA	One Bloom Ball	6001 - 6015
MB	One Bloom Miniature Ball	6101 - 6115
P	One Bloom Pompon	6201 - 6215
ST	One Bloom Stellar	7001 - 7015
WL	One Bloom Waterlily	7301 - 7315
NX	One Bloom Novelty Double	7601 - 7615
PE	One Bloom Peony	8001 - 8015
AN	One Bloom Anemone	8201 - 8215
NO	One Bloom Novelty Open	8601 - 8615
CO	One Bloom Collarette	9001 - 9015
O	One Bloom Orchid	9201 - 9215
OT	One Bloom Orchette	9401 - 9415
S	One Bloom Single	9601 - 9615
MS	One Bloom Mignon Single	9701 - 9715

Three Bloom Categories

- 3AA Three Blooms Giant 0001 - 0515
- 3A Three Blooms Large 1001 - 1515
- 3B Three Blooms Medium 2001 - 2515
- 3BB Three Blooms Small 3001 - 3515
- 3M Three Blooms Miniature 4001 - 4515
- 3BA Three Blooms Ball 6001 - 6015
- 3MB Three Blooms Miniature Ball 6101 - 6115
- 3P Three Blooms Pompon 6201 - 6215
- 3ST Three Blooms Stellar 7001 - 7015
- 3WL Three Blooms Waterlily 7301 - 7315
- 3NX Three Blooms Novelty Double 7601 - 7615
- 3PE Three Blooms Peony 8001 - 8015
- 3AN Three Blooms Anemone 8201 - 8215
- 3NO Three Blooms Novelty Open 8601 - 8615
- 3CO Three Blooms Collarette 9001 - 9015
- 3O Three Blooms Orchid 9201 - 9215
- 3OT Three Blooms Orchette 9401 - 9415
- 3S Three Blooms Single 9601 - 9615
- 3MS Three Blooms Mignon Single 9701 - 9715

Section C - Multiple Blooms

This section is for multiple dahlia blooms in a container. Unless otherwise specified, an exhibit must contain blooms of all the same named variety. Minimum numbers of blooms are listed for each class. Blooms must be shown disbudded with dahlia foliage in proportion to the exhibit. No additional materials are allowed in this class.

- C1 – Vase or Basket of 5 or more AA size bloom of any one variety
- C2 – Vase or Basket of 5 or more A size bloom of any one variety
- C3 – Vase or Basket of 5 or more B size blooms of any one variety
- C4 – Vase or Basket of 7 or more BB size blooms of any one variety
- C5 – Vase or Basket of 7 or more Ball size blooms of any one variety
- C6 – Vase or Basket of 7 or more Waterlilies of any one variety
- C7 – Vase or Basket of 7 or more Stellar or Novelty Double Blooms of any one variety
- C8 – Bowl, Vase or Basket of 10 or more Miniatures of any one variety
- C9 – Bowl, Vase or Basket of 10 or more Pompons of any one variety
- C10 – Bowl, Vase or Basket of 10 or more of any one variety of Peony, Collarette, Single, Mignon Single, Orchid, Orchette, or Novelty Open forms.

Please note rule change for 2017: Each entry in the Multiple Blooms section is eligible for 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place awards based on the variety exhibited classification number. Three Court of Honor awards may be selected based on the best blue-ribbon entries in sections C1 to C3 (5 blooms), C4 to C7 (7 blooms), and C8 to C10 (10 blooms).

SCALE OF POINTS USED IN JUDGING SECTION 'C' EXHIBITS

Quality of the Blooms	75
Arrangement and Color Harmony	25
TOTAL	100

Section CN- Containers

CN1 – Container exhibiting a single growing dahlia of any variety. The exhibited bloom must have been grown in the container.

CN2 – Container exhibiting a mixed floral display of which the dahlia is the primary variety. All floral material must have been grown in the container.

Section S - Open To All Undisseminated Varieties

S1 – 1 year Seedling

S2 – 2 year Seedling

S3 – 3 or more year Seedling

**Note: 1 and 2 year old seedlings will be scored Pass/Fail.

AWARDS:

The judges will award Minnesota Dahlia Society Seedling Ribbons to all third year seedling entries which score 85 or more points.

Section ADS - American Dahlia Society Seedling Bench Evaluation

Offered in cooperation with the American Dahlia Society.

Open to all exhibitors. Show officials and exhibitors must read and adhere to the rules for entries and judging as printed in the ADS Classification Book and Handbook of Dahlias.

Court of Honor

Court of Honor Ribbon awarded to each best entry listed below.
Champion Blooms to be selected by Court of Honor judges from Court of Honor winners in Sections Amateur and Open to All and will receive an MDS plaque.

CHAMPION BLOOMS

AA 0001-0515
A 1001-1515
B 2001-2515
BB 3001-3515
Largest Bloom of Show

SECTION AM - AMATEUR

Best Entry - AM 0001-0515
Best Entry - AM 1001-1515
Best Entry - AM 2001-2515
Best Entry - AM 3001-3515

SECTION AA - OPEN TO ALL - AA SIZE

Best Entry - AA 0001-0015
Best Entry - AA 0101-0115
Best Entry - AA 0201-0215
Best Entry - AA 0301-0315
Best Entry - AA 0401-0415
Best Entry - AA 0501-0515
Best Entry - 3AA 0001-0115
Best Entry - 3AA 0201-0515

SECTION A - OPEN TO ALL - A SIZE

Best Entry - A 1001-1015
Best Entry - A 1101-1115
Best Entry - A 1201-1215
Best Entry - A 1301-1315
Best Entry - A 1401-1415
Best Entry - A 1501-1515
Best Entry - 3A 1001-1215
Best Entry - 3A 1301-1515

SECTION B - OPEN TO ALL - B SIZE

Best Entry - B 2001-2015
Best Entry - B 2101-2115
Best Entry - B 2201-2215
Best Entry - B 2301-2315
Best Entry - B 2401-2415
Best Entry - B 2501-2515
Best Entry - 3B 2001-2215
Best Entry - 3B 2301-2515

SECTION BB - OPEN TO ALL - BB SIZE

Best Entry - BB 3001-3015
Best Entry - BB 3101-3115
Best Entry - BB 3201-3215
Best Entry - BB 3301-3315
Best Entry - BB 3401-3415
Best Entry - BB 3501-3515
Best Entry - 3BB 3001-3215
Best Entry - 3BB 3301-3515

SECTION M - OPEN TO ALL - MINIATURES

Best Entry - M 4001-4015
Best Entry - M 4101-4115
Best Entry - M 4201-4215
Best Entry - M 4301-4315
Best Entry - M 4401-4415
Best Entry - M 4501-4515
Best Entry - 3M 4001-4115
Best Entry - 3M 4201-4515

SECTION BA - OPEN TO ALL - BALL

Best Entry - BA 6001-6015
Best Entry - 3BA 6001-6015

SECTION MB - OPEN TO ALL - MINIATURE BALL

Best Entry - MB 6101-6115
Best Entry - 3MB 6101-6115

SECTION P - OPEN TO ALL - POMPON

Best Entry - P 6201-6215
Best Entry - 3P 6201-6215

SECTION ST - OPEN TO ALL - STELLAR

Best Entry - ST 7001-7015
Best Entry - 3ST 7001-7015

SECTION WL - OPEN TO ALL - WATERLILLY

Best Entry - WL 7301-7315
Best Entry - 3WL 7301-7315

SECTION PE - OPEN TO ALL - PEONY

Best Entry - PE 8001-8015

Best Entry - 3PE 8001-8015

SECTION AN - OPEN TO ALL - ANEMONE

Best Entry - AN 8201-8215

Best Entry - 3AN 8201-8215

SECTION CO - OPEN TO ALL - COLLARETTE

Best Entry - CO 9001-9015

Best Entry - 3CO 9001-9015

SECTION S - OPEN TO ALL - SINGLE

Best Entry - S 9601-9615

Best Entry - 3S 9601-9615

SECTION MS - OPEN TO ALL - MIGNON SINGLE

Best Entry - MS 9701-9715

Best Entry - 3MS 9701-9715

SECTION O - OPEN TO ALL - ORCHID

Best Entry - O 9201-9215

Best Entry - 3O 9201-9215

SECTION OT - OPEN TO ALL - ORCHETTE

Best Entry - OT 9401-9415

Best Entry - 3OT 9401-9415

SECTION NO - OPEN TO ALL - NOVELTY OPEN

Best Entry - NO 8601-8615

Best Entry - 3NO 8601-8615

SECTION NX - OPEN TO ALL - NOVELTY DOUBLE

Best Entry - NX 7601-7615

Best Entry - 3NX 7601-7615

SECTION C - OPEN TO ALL - MULTIPLE BLOOMS

Best Entry - C1 to C3

Best Entry - C4 to C7

Best Entry - C8 to C10

SECTION DY - DAHLIA OF THE YEAR

Best Entry

SECTION AR - ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS

Best Entry - AR 1 to AR 9

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