

WOODWORKING EXHIBITS Judging Standards

General Appearance

20%

Design of the item follows the plans submitted Overall appearance is attractive Wood item is clean and in presentable condition Wood item is well proportioned Suitable for the purpose intended

Selection of Wood

10%

Wood selected should be suited to the article made Wood substitutes are not acceptable Wood should be of good quality

Construction/Workmanship 50%

Peices accurately cut and assembled

Strongly fitted joints

Exposed joints sealed with wood sealer before finish coat is applied

Nails and screw should be countersunk and the holes finished with wood filler

Glides for drawers waxed and slide freely

Drawers of furniture sanded smooth and finished

Wood fasteners properly used

Hardware such as hinges and fasteners properly fitted and operates smoothly

Finish

20%

Indoor wood items

Finish is smooth to the touch

May have a hard finish such as varnish, shellac, or a plastic type finish

May have a soft finish such as wax

Must be well sanded before finish is applied

A quality finish has several thin coats of a finish with fine sanding between coats

Outdoor and utility wood items

Must have a durable finish

Preservation of the item is the most important

Finish coat may have some color

Needs several sandings before the finishing coat

Item should feel and look smooth

WOODWORKING

- 1. Find out if there are any rules.
- 2. Is it all right to move a category that is in the wrong place?
- 3. Some things to look for:

pencil marks

saw marks

planer waves

saw chipouts

dents or scratches or other marks

poor fitting joints

- 4. Nails and screws should be countersunk and filled.
- 5. Drawers should slide freely and no wobbles.
- 6. Hardware, such as hinges and fasteners properly fitted and operating smoothly.
- 7. All wood should be sanded smooth.
- 8. End grain should be smooth same as side grain.
- 9. All sand marks should be sanded out.
- 10. Bigger does not mean better.
- 11. Pretty or cute doesn't mean better.
- 12. Don't make your likes make your decision.
- 13. HIgh price wood doesn't count.
- 14. There should be no runs in the finish.
- 15. No finish on glass, no lint or other objects should be in the finish.
- 16. Stains should be the same color throughout.
- 17. Natural finish can very in color.
- 18. Don't count painted finishes out.
- 19. If you have another judge don't let them change your opinion too easily.
- 20. Remember what you see or know other people don't see or know.
- 21. In 4-H, try to talk to the child who did the work.
- 22. Watch out for kits.

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Name Social Security Number			County		
			Year in 4-H Age		
		Woodworking E Judges Score Care		-	
		Excellent	Good	Needs to be Improved	Comments
GENERAL APPEARA Design and plan Condition Attractive Usefullness					
SELECTION OF WOO Suitable Real wood Quality	OD .				
CONSTRUCTION Cut and assemb Joints Sanding Fasteners Hardware	bling				
FINISH Smoothness Quality of hard Quality of the s					

Judging Woodworking

A discussion outline

Limits:

by their rules

any narrative/ explanation

Envelope, attached, card

dimensions

How:

Interview

Item Only

Comments on entry card

What types/kinds of entries: (variety)

Flatwork

Flatwork assembled

Large/Small

Indoor/Outdoor

Rustic/ Polished

Inlaid

Lathe

Scroll - Flat

Scroll - Assembled

Carved - 3D/ Mounted/ Painted/ Stained

Carved - Freise

Models- Kits/ Non-kits

Games/Toys

Refinished - Photos, descriptions

Walking Sticks/ Canes

Wood Burning - Flatware/ Design on carvings

Special Classes/ Categories:

Youth/ Seniors/ Disadvantaged

Birdhouses/Feeders/Bat Houses/ Doll Houses

Kitchen Items/ Cutting Boards

First Year - 4-H/ FFA Projects

Birds

Waterfowl

Designs on wood

Wood Burning on other than wood

Kits

Clock Faces

Judging Quality:

Finish - Appropriate for item

-Sanding/ Paint or Stain Dry/ Brush Strokes

Joinery – Butt/ Lap/ Mortise/ Tongue and Groove/ Glue/ Screws/ Countersinks/ Plugged/ Nails/ Braids/ Wire Gun

Preparation/ Appearance/ Proportional

Appropriate to intended use of item

Types of Materials:

Wood by grain

Wood by hardness

Alternative woods - Exotic/ Substitutes

Rustic/ Natural/ Bark

Judging Tools:

Eyes

Fingers

Sound

Scent

Tape Measure

Screwdriver – Straight/ Phillips

Pliers

Helpful Sources:

Exotic Wood Shop

Hobby Shops/ Craft Stores (kits)

Furniture Stores

Patio/ Outdoor/ Sport Shops

Publications – Woodworkers

Nature (animal, bird, waterfowl, entomology)