

BEADWORK

GENERAL GUIDELINES

All categories are for female contestants only. Contestants must not receive help on their projects other than instructions.

Contestants are allowed to submit one entry per category.

All fashions must meet A.C.E. requirements.

No beadwork entry should attempt to portray the face or image of Christ or God.

Projects must be completely finished to be eligible.

The contestant is encouraged to be creative and to vary from the pattern. If this is done, the differences should be explained. Points are given for originality.

The contestant may use round/oval glass/plastic shiny/opaque beads of different sizes, pearls, fake gems, squared beads ("rubka" or "steclyarus"), crystals.

Wooden beads are not recommended.

The beadwork must be done using threads, plastic string, or metallic wire of appropriate color and size.

For necklaces, earrings, clips and broaches the metal jewelry findings/fittings like hooks, pins, connecting rings, locks and etc. are used.

The contestant may use one of the following techniques (cross-beading, parallel beading, "brick" beading, "double brick" beading, circle or French beading, mosaic beading), or a combination of techniques. If so, it must be mentioned in Beadwork Report Form. No wrist or ankle bracelets are allowed.

Jewelry sets - two, three or four pieces.

Select one of the combinations:

- necklace, earrings/clips
- necklace, headpiece
- necklace, broach
- necklace, earrings/clips, headpiece
- necklace, earrings/clips, broach;
- necklace, earrings/clips, headpiece, broach.

The pieces must be interchangeable (of the same style, design and materials).

Decorative beading - decorating vases, chests, glasses with beads or making decorative vases with flowers, napkin rings (sets of 6 only), purses, kaboshons. Small bead faces and figures are not permitted.

Beaded eggs - decorating wooden eggs and stands for eggs with beads.

For judging criteria, see Beadwork Judge's Form.

Check List for Beadwork:

1. Color pattern (only those pieces used).
2. Needle/Thread Report (CF49).

3. A 3"x 5" card MUST be attached to each piece of the entry with the following information: print or type the student's name, school name, customer number, school address, state, ZIP, and category entered.
4. Plastic bag to hold pattern, Beadwork Report.
5. A color photograph of the beadwork being worked out.

Note to Sponsor: Be sure the contestant enters his/her project in the correct category. Review the Judge's Forms to see where points are given and make sure that the entry includes each point.

HINTS FROM THE BEADWORK JUDGES

The qualities the judges look for are originality and careful attention to details.