

Wreath Contest Rules

Wisconsin Christmas Tree Producers Association, Inc.

By action of the WCTPA Board of Directors, the following rules will govern the operation of the wreath contest. (revised Jan. 2016)

- 1) Contest open only to full active members of WCTPA. (Full active members are those members who are in good standing with their dues paid for the current fiscal year.)
- 2) Judging will be by membership only, with each full active membership entitled to one (1) vote for the wreath of their choice in each class and one (1) vote for Grand Champion wreath in the undecorated class and one (1) vote for the Grand Champion wreath in the decorated class.
- 3) No names will be visible on the wreaths.
- 4) All wreaths must be made on a 12 inch ring of natural conifer greens grown in Wisconsin.
- 5) Wreaths must be in place by 11:00 a.m. on the first day of the convention. Wreaths brought in after 11:00 a.m. will be displayed. However, judging will not be delayed to accommodate these wreaths.
- 6) Members may enter as many classes as they wish but not more than one (1) wreath per class.
- 7) The classes of wreaths are: 1) Balsam fir, 2) Fraser fir, 3) Spruce, 4) Pine, 5) Other Species, 6) Mixed Greens, 7) Decorated.
- 8) There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each class. There will be a Grand Champion of undecorated wreaths and a Grand Champion of decorated wreaths. The Grand Champion winners along with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers will receive a ribbon. All other entries (4th place and after) will not receive a ribbon.
- 9) The winners of the Grand Champion wreaths will be allowed to represent WCTPA in the NCTA wreath contest.

In the event the WCTPA Grand Champion winner is not a member of the NCTA or if NCTA rules otherwise would make such a winner ineligible for competing in the NCTA contest, the WCTPA member with the next highest vote who is a member of NCTA in compliance with the NCTA rules will represent the WCTPA in the NCTA wreath contest.

In the event the same grower wins the same WCTPA Grand Champion award both years, the second place winner of the Grand Champion wreath for the second year, will be eligible to enter a wreath in the National contest.
- 10) The winner of the Grand Champion Decorated wreath will be allowed to provide a similar wreath to the Wisconsin Governor's office in early December and must be a member in good standing in order to represent the WCTPA.
- 11) The wreath contest chairperson(s) and the WCTPA Executive Committee will have the final decision if there is any doubt to the species and/or variety of greens used in the wreath and to solve any other problem that may arise.

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