



# Monthly Competition Rules

## General Information

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**When** Monthly competitions are held from February through to November (10 times each year).

Judging is held on the 1st Monday of each month, except for public holidays. Check the club calendar for updates.

**Eligibility** All financial and life members are eligible to enter. Associate members are ineligible to enter.

**Categories** Each monthly competition has two categories:  
**SET** Subject  
**OPEN** Subject  
The Set Subject topics can be found on the club website

**Grades** These monthly competition rules apply to all grades/all members:  
Gold  
A  
AB  
B

**Types** Images may be entered either as DIGITAL entries or PRINT entries or combinations of both.

For a greater appreciation of the current creative skills of our members, it's preferable for members to be seen to be entering their most recent work in the monthly competitions rather than earlier work from past years.

**Cut-off dates** The cut-off date for entries to be submitted in any monthly competition is one month prior to the judging evening for that competition. For example, if the judging evening is the first Monday in June, then the cut-off date for your June entries to be submitted is midnight on the first Monday in May.

**Number of entries** Each member may submit a maximum of **4** images each month:

**2 x Digital**

**2 x Print**

**1 x Set**

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**1 x Open**

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**Submitting entries** All entries are submitted through the Entries Portal on the Aspley Camera Club's website.

**Important:** This includes a digital version of any print entry. The digital version of your print entry is required for projection at the judging evening. Judges do not receive the digital version; judging is done from the print.

**Judges' marks and points** Judges will mark each image, in all grades, as either an Acceptance, a Merit or an Honour.

- Acceptance = 5 Points
- Merit = 10 points
- Honour = 15 points

## For all entries, Digital and/or Print...

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- No late entries can be accepted.
- You must be logged in to the website to enter.
- The entry must be the exclusive work of the member. AI generated images are not permitted. ACC abides by the PSQ Guidelines which state *"images using AI generated technology are not to be entered in club competition."*
- This applies to the set-up, shooting and post processing of the entry. This does not apply to the printing of an entry. The print may be made by commercial printing services providing no interpretive changes are made to the image.
- An entry will be received into the competition in the belief that these expectations have been met by the member

## Digital Specifications

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This includes the digital version of any print entry.

**Digital format** .jpg (not jpeg)

**Digital size** Must not exceed 1920 pixels wide and 1080 pixels deep when resized

**Naming convention** Name your image with a concise but descriptive title prior to submission, e.g., Just passing time

Do not include in your title any "special characters" such as ? / " ' ; ( ) ! % # \$ &.

Spaces are ok, no need for \_ or - between words

Do not include your member number or grade in the title of your digital file. The website automatically appends this information.

**Re-entering images** An image (or substantially similar image) having gained two Acceptances or one Merit or Honour may not be re-entered in another monthly competition.

An image may be entered in the End of Year competition.

This ineligibility extends to monthly competitions in subsequent years regardless of the grade entered.

The same image (or substantially similar image) may not be entered in more than one category or medium in any one competition.

## Print Specifications

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<b>Minimum print size</b>	8" x10"
<b>Maximum print size (Including Mount)</b>	16" x 20"
<b>Mounts</b>	Prints must be mounted, e.g., window mount, matboard, foamcore, coreflute.
<b>Protecting your's and others' work</b>	To avoid damage to the prints of others, all potentially damaging materials must be removed e.g., Velcro, sticky tabs, badly adhered tape. If your entry can damage the work of others, it may be disqualified.
<b>Identification</b>	Place a self-adhesive label provided by the club on the reverse side of your mounted print  Place in the top left-hand corner (note: the placement of the label indicates to the judge the correct orientation of your print)  Include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• your member number</li> <li>• grade</li> <li>• category (portrait or open)</li> <li>• and the title</li> </ul> <p>Adhesive labels are available at the door, just ask.</p>