# North Nail Championships – General Rules



This information applies to entrants of all categories. Please read carefully and ensure you fully understand before entering the competition. Video footage and photographs may be taken by an official photographer and both Denise Wright and Professional Beauty reserve the right to use the images in their magazines/websites/promotion.

Professional Beauty reserve the right to amalgamate or withdraw any categories if the number of entrants is 5 or below, prior to the competition. If any category is amended or withdrawn, the organisers will contact competitors directly, and competitors will have the option of a refund of payment or the chance to move to a different category.

#### DATE

The competitions will run alongside Professional Beauty and HJ Live North on 21-22 October 2018 at Manchester Central. Please see the competition timetable for information on the precise timings of individual categories.

## **CONTACT**

For queries regarding the rules and regulations or competing, please contact the

Competition Director, Denise Wright

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If you have any questions or problems regarding the registration process, getting entry

passes, sending images or competition payments, please contact vari@professionalbeauty.co.uk

## **ENTRY PRICES**

Nail Masters (Professionals): £24.50 per category

Nail Starters (Student): £10 per category

## **DEADLINES**

Photographic Categories: 12pm 5th October 2018\*

All payment must be received and images submitted by this date to vari@professionalbeauty.co.uk. Images received after this deadline may not be included. Online voting will commence at 5pm on 24th September 2018. All other categories: 10am 18th October 2018

## CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

• It is the competitor's responsibility to enter themselves into the correct category.

Unfortunately, we are unable to amend categories once your registration is complete.

- Numbers per category are limited. Places are NOT guaranteed for entries submitted after the deadline date or for those who enter on the day.
- Your competition entry confirmation will be sent via email upon receipt of your cleared payment. Please bring with you on the day as if you do not have evidence of payment and not on our list we will recharge you.
- Entry acknowledges agreement to adhere to the rules and regulations.
- Competitor entry numbers/labels will be given to you on the day of the competition at the championship registration desk (within the championship area).
- You must be seated with your model in time for the briefing, which will be made 15 minutes before the scheduled competition start time. Use this time for last minute prep

testing acrylic & gel consistency for the room temperature. You may prep your model in this time.

- Once the briefing starts, you must not touch your models hands. Your model will not be allowed to leave the competition area apart from an accompanied toilet break in exceptional circumstances.
- Anyone arriving after the briefing has begun may not be permitted entry.
- Competitors will be disqualified for phones ringing/vibrating/answered during the competition, as this is a distraction to your fellow competitors.
- You are allowed to use your mobile phone as a "silent" timer.
- Competitors should be dressed professionally in either a tunic or company t-shirt. For men a plain black or white t-shirt is permitted. Hair should be tied back off the face and jewelry (excluding a watch and wedding ring) is not permitted.
- Models must not be on their phones during the competition.
- No smoking or eating is allowed during the competition or in the competition area.
- Water and soft drinks are permitted.

## SETUP, BRIEFING AND COMPETITION

- You must setup in plenty of time for the briefing.
- Before the briefing, all equipment/personal belongings must be stored neatly under the tables.
- Please note that once briefing starts competitors will NOT be able to retrieve any items from their bags/belongings and points may be deducted if this happens. If something needs to be retrieved, then raise your hand
- All pump dispensers/bottles/ etc. must be correctly labelled with the contents description e.g. 'Water'
- Manufacturers' labels are acceptable and must be in English. You do not need to label your small dappen dishes.
- Enhancement products must be labelled and in original packaging.
- The model's natural nails can be pre-prepared.
- Any products that are not allowed will be removed from your desk by the floor judge/organisers and you may incur a 10-point deduction or be disqualified.
- For the categories that are NOT ALLOWED to use cuticle oil, this also includes ANY oil based products such as most cuticle removers, hand creams, oil sprays etc.
- Overuse of cuticle oil in categories that are allowed usage may incur 5point deduction.
- A professional client card should be visible on the desk and filled in with your model's personal details prior to the competition, including medical conditions and service/treatment details, and signature consenting to the treatment, before the briefing starts.
- Work areas should be kept clean and tidy Keep files in pots/containers. remove dust and debris as often as possible and keep any lids on products when you have finished with them.
- A small metal bin with a lid and a plastic liner should be on or under your desk (even if it is a small table top container such as a coffee canister is used the lid must be on). Carrier bags, open top bins and plastic/wooden bins are not acceptable.
- A wet solution, such as Barbicide correctly diluted, should be labelled and present on your desk.
- Sanitation for your files (such as sanitizer spray) and for you and your model's hands (such as a spray or gel).
- One pair of safety glasses/goggles must be visible on your desk throughout the competition but it is up to the individual competitor or model whether they wish to wear the eye protection. Standard glasses are not acceptable, as they have no side protection.
- A face mask must be present and visible to the Floor Judge but need not be worn
- Tips must not be pre-blended/tailored prior to the competition or during set up and briefing.
- All tips must be inside a box (not laid out on your desk) on your table with no less than 50 tips in the box.
- Sculpting forms must not be pre prepped and on the paper roll or in a box

# and will be checked by the floor judge

Competitors must provide their own:

- o Electric extension lead
- o Model
- o Lighting
- o Towels
- o Water
- o Small metal bin with a lid and plastic liner
- o Fully Completed client card
- o Eye protection
- o Mask
- o Warm water (if required)
- o Polish colour

#### **MODFLS**

- Models must NOT wear any garments below the elbow. Long sleeves must be able to be pushed up to the elbow.
- Models must wear all black.
- No tattoos on the hands arms or wrist. This will be checked at check in.
- All jewelry below the elbow (with the exception of a wedding band) must be removed prior to Floor Judging.
- Models should also wear suitable clothing as they often get cold sitting still and comfortable shoes as they may also be required to stand for some time during judging. You can bring a hot water bottle.
- Please inform your model that judging can sometimes take up to 2 hours. If any competitor or model has a serious medical condition or serious special need, please inform the competition staff at the registration desk. (This includes pregnancy/diabetes)
- Please register your model in advance of the championships. Model registration is free of charge.

## AT THE END OF THE COMPETITION

- At the conclusion of the competition, competitors MUST leave the competition area until the competition staff say that you are allowed back in. You are not allowed any contact with the models once the competition is finished.
- Models must not touch their nails whilst waiting to be judged. Points will be lost.
- Please take both your own and your model's personal belongings with you, such as handbags, as the organisers are not held responsible for these items at any time.
- The competition staff will inform you when you are allowed to pack your kit away. (Normally during afternoon registration/once the models are lined up for judging)
- Note, this may be later in the day as it may disturb other competitors competing in the other categories. This rule MUST be adhered, as disruption

to other competitors will not be allowed.

- Please consider your fellow competitors whilst they are working.
- All kits must be packed away and removed in time for the awards ceremony.

# JUDGING PROCESS, SCORE SHEETS

- Industry experts behind a screen will judge the judging process. They will only see the models hands and number. The scores are electronically added by a separate set of judges. Your working practices will be observed by the floor judges and have the right to disqualify if cheating is observed or proved. The competition Directors decision is final on all matters.
- Models will be called up for their nails to be pre-judged before the main judging so that the judges can have a general look at the overall standard of the nails.
- Models must then queue to be formally judged it is the model's responsibility to ensure they are judged a second time and must remain in the competition area until all the judging has finished.
- It is the model's responsibility to ensure that they are seen by all of the judges.
- If your model is in any doubt that their nails have been not fully judged, then please ask a member of the competition staff BEFORE leaving the judging area.
- Once your model has left the competition/judging area, they will NOT be allowed back in.
- Score sheets are updated at every competition and subject to changes
- Comments cannot be made on the score sheets without the model present and after the event is closed.
- If there is a tie there will be count back of 10s, then 9s the consistent high will get a 0.5 added to take the higher place. The competitions Director's decision is final.
- Only feedback from the judges that have marked your sheets is valid.

## FLOOR JUDGING

- Floor judging applies to EVERY category except Photographic and Showcase Nail Art.
- A possible total of 10 points is available.
- Many competitors lose points if they do not bring full eye protection, a previously completed client card on both sides with a consent signature and a metal bin with a lid that closes and plastic liner.
- Ensure that these items are visible at all times for floor judging.
- Please note that face/dust masks must be present and in view for the judge to see
- Competitors must be aware that floor judges will be observing working practices. Marks will be awarded for hygiene, tidiness and personal presentation.

## **AWARDS**

- There will be an Awards Ceremony at the end of each day's competitions. See schedule at the competition area.
- All score sheets will be distributed after the awards ceremonies. Judges will be available for feedback so please have your model with you. Serious competitors gain valuable advice and feedback from the judges to improve their confidence and technique in both the working and competition environment.
- If you are a winner of any of the categories and are not there to pick up your trophy we are more than happy to send on your trophy to you at your own expense. It will delay the joy of your trophy. It is your responsibility to make arrangements by contacting by e mail only. Email-nailcompetitions@gmail.com