



GHWG CHRISTMAS COMPETITION RULES

1. There are **3 SKILL LEVEL CLASSES*** defined as follows:

- **NOVICE:** a beginner turner who has been turning for 4 years or less.
- **INTERMEDIATE:** a turner who has turned for more than 2 years but does not consider her/himself to be an advanced turner
- **OPEN:** any turner who wishes to enter a more skilled competition, excluding segmented pieces.

2. There are **2 SIZE CATEGORIES** for the Novice, Intermediate and Open classes:

- **SMALL:** any piece that **WILL** fit within a 4" x 4" x 8" box. This includes both spindle and faceplate/chuck work.
- **LARGE:** any piece that **WILL NOT** fit within a 4" x 4" x 8" box. This includes both spindle and faceplate/chuck work.
- **NOTE:** *A piece must fit into a 4" x 4" x 8" box in it's fully assembled/as presented state (i.e. not disassembled).*

3. There are no **SKILL LEVEL CLASSES** or **SIZE CATEGORIES** for segmented entries:

- **SEGMENTED** entries include pieces of any size or shape, by any skill level entrant.

In summary, the categories are:

		SIZE	
		Small - any piece that WILL fit within a 4" x 4" x 8" box	Large - any piece that WILL NOT fit within a 4" x 4" x 8" box
SKILL LEVELS	Novice - a beginner turner who has been turning for 4 years or less	NS	NL
	Intermediate - a turner who has turned for more than 2 years but does not consider her/himself to be an advanced turner	IS	IL
	Open - any turner who wishes to enter a more skilled competition, excluding segmented pieces	OS	OL
Segmented - segmented pieces of any size or shape, by any skill level		S	

In addition to the above, the following rules will apply to all entries:

1. An entry must have been completed **no more than one calendar year prior** to the current competition.
2. A competitor may enter a **maximum of two pieces in the competition.**
3. All entries must include a significant turned element and may be functional, artistic or any combination of the two. Any wood species or turnable material may be used.

****Please also note:***

1. A **NOVICE** turner who has won 1st place in a previous GHWG competition **need not** move to the **INTERMEDIATE** Class unless she/he wishes to (up to the 4-year limit).
2. Any **INTERMEDIATE** turner who has won 1st place in a previous GHWG competition **must** move to the **OPEN** Class for subsequent competitions