

General Rules for SCPF Championship Competitions

1. All participating clubs must be paid up members of the Southern Counties Photographic Federation (SCPF)
2. There will separate Championships for Prints and Projected Digital Images (PDI)
The top 2 clubs in each will be invited to represent the SCPF at the PAGB Inter Club Print and PDI Championships respectively.
3. Images including composite images must be entirely the work of the photographer
4. There must be no indication of the photographer or club visible on the front of any image
Print or PDI
5. No image or image so similar as to deemed to be the same, must have been previously entered in any SCPF Championship in any format Print or PDI
6. A member may represent more than one club but may not submit images that are the same or so similar as to be deemed to be the same
7. There will be three judges scoring electronically in a range of 2 to 5
8. All sections of the Championship will be run as a straight battle between participating clubs with all images contributing to the final score
9. The winning club in each section will be determined by the highest total score. In the event of a tie a count-back will be applied
10. In the event of a photographer being a member of the first and second placed clubs, pre-qualified club or a member of another federation, the photographer must declare which club or federation they will represent. A photographer cannot represent more than one club or federation at the PAGB Championship
11. A club representing the SCPF at the PAGB Championship must abide in full with the PAGB rules.
12. The SCPF Council reserves the right to amend the rules. In the event of a dispute the decision of the SCPF Council will be final
13. Entries will not be accepted after the closing date determined by the SCPF Council
14. The SCPF cannot accept any liability for loss or damage to any image
15. All trophies must be returned to the SCPF council before the next year's event
16. Any breach of these rules may lead to disqualification at the discretion of the SCPF Council
17. The SCPF Council reserves the right to use any digital image entered into SCPF competitions and exhibitions to produce a CD show on the web gallery and be considered for any PAGB competitions and exhibitions. If the photographer does not wish to allow their work to be used they must state on the club's entry form prior to the competition. The photographer's copyright will be observed at all times.

Print Championship Rules

1. Clubs will submit **15 prints** but no more than 3 prints per photographer.
2. The mounts must be no more than 50cm X 40cm +or- 2mm. Any protective sleeves, Velcro, or fixings must be removed to avoid damage to other prints
3. Titles of prints, photographer's name, and club number must be uploaded on the Championship website before the closing date, along with a digital image of the print (at normal PDI size). A label will made available online to download, which must be attached to the rear of the print at the top right hand corner.

4. The winning club and runners-up will each receive a certificate.
5. There will be an award for the best individual image and awards from each of the judges
6. The first and second clubs will be invited to represent the SCPF at the PAGB Inter club Print Championship, unless pre-qualified or declines to take part, in which case the next highest scoring club will be invited to represent the SCPF.

PDI Championship Rules

1. Clubs will submit **15 PDIs** but no more than 3 PDIs per photographer.
2. Clubs entering the PDI Championship must upload their images to the Championship web site before the closing date.
3. Images should be in **jpg format** only and **8bit**, maximum size should not exceed **1600 wide X 1200 pixels high**, and should be in **sRGB colour space** as in all other competitions
4. The full image title for the competition will be generated by the uploading system from the information entered.
5. The winning club and runners-up will each receive a certificate.
6. There will be an award for the best individual Image and awards from each of the judges
7. The first and second clubs will be invited to represent the SCPF at the PAGB Inter club PDI Championship, unless pre-qualified or declines to take part, in which case the next highest scoring club will be invited to represent the SCPF.

Note: - The Championship Upload system can be found on the website. Go to **SECTION – CHAMPIONSHIP – UPLOAD**. Should you have a problem contact championships@southerncountiespf.org.uk For any general web problems contact webmaster@southerncountiespf.org.uk

Dates for 2018 Championships

The closing date for both Print and PDI Championship is 1st March 2018. Files may be uploaded from 1st February 2018.

The SCPF Championships will be held on 25th March 2018 hosted by Bracknell Camera Club. Venue and timetable to be confirmed.

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