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## ANNUAL FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW COMPETITION HANDBOOK

(attachment for current year enclosed)

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## **HOW TO COMPETE IN THE BGC COMPETITIONS**

The Bahrain Garden Club competitions are open to all.

### **REGISTERING FOR ENTRY**

Purchase an Entry Card for each Class in which you intend to compete and pay a Registration Fee of 200 fils for Bahrain Garden Club Members, 300 fils for non-members or 100 fils for Juniors and Students for each Entry Card.

Entry Cards are available from the **Bahrain Garden Club** office in Juffair from October up to two weeks before the commencement of the BAHRAIN INTERNATIONAL GARDEN SHOW.

### **RULES OF PARTICIPATION**

When you Register and collect your Entry Card/s you will be given an Exhibitor's Number. All your Entry Cards must show this number and under no circumstance should your name appear on an Entry Card, front or back. Your name will not be known until the Judging has been completed when you will be given a Card, bearing the Bahrain Garden Club stamp and your entry number, which you must show when you collect your exhibit/s.

When you bring your exhibit in for judging, on a date and time specified, check that your Entry Card has been properly completed and The Exhibitor's Number is clearly visible.

Ensure that the Entry Card is placed close to your exhibit and is placed in the correct Class space.

**Read all the rules, instructions and details about each Class very carefully.**

Make sure each exhibit is exactly as described in the rules, e.g. 'bloom' means a single flower, a 'stem' may have more than one flower on it. Failure to comply with these guidelines could lead to disqualification of your entry or be counted against it during judging.

## 1. FLOWERS – CLASSES 1 - 24

1	<b>Alyssum</b>		3 blooms
2	<b>Antirrhinum</b>		3 spikes
3	<b>Aster</b>		3 stems
4	<b>Calendula</b>		3 blooms
5	<b>Dianthus</b>	A. Carnation B. Sweet William	3 blooms 3 stems
6	<b>Cosmos</b>		3 stems
7	<b>Dahlia</b>	A. From Seed B. From Tuber	3 blooms 3 blooms
8	<b>Freesia</b>		3 stems
9	<b>Gerbera</b>		3 blooms
10	<b>Geranium</b>		3 blooms
11	<b>Larkspur</b>		3 spikes
12	<b>Taggles</b>		3 blooms
13	<b>Nasturtium</b>		3 blooms
14	<b>Nicotiana</b>		3 stems
15	<b>Petunia</b>		3 stems
16	<b>Phlox</b>		3 stems
17	<b>Rose</b>	A. Hybrid Tea B. Floribunda C. Bahraini	1 bloom 1 stem 1 bloom
18	<b>Statice</b>		3 stems
19	<b>Stock</b>		3 stems
20	<b>Verbena</b>		3 stems
21	<b>Zinnia</b>		3 blooms
22	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Three of one kind of flower not in the above classes	
23	<b>Collection of Flowers</b> (Raised from seed during previous twelve months)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One specimen of each kind of Flower. Single and double varieties of any kind may be shown and of different colours.</li> <li>- Flowers from shrubs, climbers or trees must not be shown.</li> <li>- Each bloom must be visible and so a large collection may be displayed in a block of damp oasis in a container.</li> <li>- Preferably with a name list of flowers.</li> </ul>	
24	<b>Bulbs, Corms, Rizomes</b>	- One stem	

## 1.1 Notes on Flowers – Classes 1 - 24

- 1.1.1 Exhibits should be fresh, clean, free from blemish and of similar size and shape. They should also be arranged as attractively as possible.
- 1.1.2 Last minute arranging should be done in the working space provided and not on the display tables which should be kept clean and tidy. Avoid spilling water on the display tables.
- 1.1.3 Ideally, specimens should be shown with their foliage (which will be considered by the judges) although entries without foliage are acceptable.
- 1.1.4 Damaged foliage and that likely to be under water should be removed.
- 1.1.5 Where more than one specimen is required uniformity of condition, size, quality and color are what the Judges will be looking for.

### Definitions:

- Bloom - One open flower or one flower head.
- Spike - An unbranched stem bearing stalk or stalk less flower.
- Stem - One of the main branches of the plant, to include all the flowers, buds and foliage on the branches.

## 2. VEGETABLES & FRUIT – CLASSES 25 - 48

25	<b>Beans</b>		6	
26	<b>Beetroot</b>		3	Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm stalk.
27	<b>Broccoli</b>		3 spears	
28	<b>Cabbage</b>	A. Round (red or green variety) B. Savoy	2 heads 2 heads	Without roots, remove any outer leaves which are discolored. Without roots, remove any outer leaves which are discolored.
29	<b>Carrot</b>		6	Foliage must be removed leaving 5 – 10 cm stalk
30	<b>Celery</b>		2 heads	Without roots
31	<b>Cucumber</b>	A. Long B. Short	2 heads 2 heads	Leave white flower on end. Leave white flower on end.
32	<b>Eggplant</b>	Any kind	3	
33	<b>Herbs</b>	Any kind	5 stems	In a jar with water.
34	<b>Kohl Rabi</b>	Red or green variety	3	Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm stalk.
35	<b>Lettuce</b>	A. Cabbage type B. Cos Type C. Curly Leaf	2 heads 2 heads 2 heads	Without roots. Without roots. Without roots.
36	<b>Onion</b>	A. Round B. Spring	3 bulbs 3	Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm stalk. Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm stalk.
37	<b>Potatoes</b>		6	
38	<b>Pumpkins</b>	White, Yellow or Orange variety	2	Leave 5 – 10cm stalk.

39	<b>Radish</b>	A. Small Red	6	Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm of stalk.
		B. Large White	6	Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm of stalk.
40	<b>Spinach</b>	A. Swiss Chard B. New Zealand	6 leaves 3 leaves	In the water.
41	<b>Peppers</b>	Any variety	6	
42	<b>Tomato</b>	A. Normal variety	6	Leave calyx (fresh green stalk) attached.
		B. Cherry Type	3 trusses	Leave calyx (fresh green stalk) attached.
43	<b>Turnip</b>		3	Roots must be attached but foliage removed leaving 5 – 10cm of stalk.
44	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	One kind of vegetable not in above classes	3	
45	<b>Collection of Vegetables</b>		A few vegetables	Each type should be clearly displayed in a basket not exceeding 50cm in diameter preferably with a list naming each vegetable.
46	<b>Collection of Herbs</b>		A few stems of each type	Exhibit each herb in a separate jar of water. Place on a tray. Preferably with a list of herbs included.
47	<b>Citrus Fruits</b>	Lemon, orange, ugly fruit, etc.	3 Specimens	Of only one kind of citrus fruit.
48	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Fruit (but not citrus)	3 Specimens	Of only one kind of fruit.



## 2.1 Notes on Vegetables & Fruit – Classes 25 - 48

- 2.1.1 Exhibits should be fresh, clean, free from blemish and of similar size and shape. They should also be arranged as attractively as possible.
- 2.1.2 Last minute arranging should be done in the working space provided and not on the display tables which should be kept clean and tidy. Avoid spilling water on the display tables.
- 2.1.3 In Vegetable & Fruit Classes uniformity of condition, size, quality and color is what the judges will be looking for.
- 2.1.4 Fruit and Miscellaneous (Classes 47 & 48). All fruits must be ripe. The Specimens composing a dish should be uniform, i.e. alike in size, and color and include stalks and eyes.

### 3. EXPERIMENTAL GARDENING – CLASSES 49 - 51

49	<b>Flowers not commonly grown in Bahrain</b>	A. Flowers from bulbs, tubers or corms. B. Annuals which have been grown from seed. C. Perennials which have been grown in exhibitor's garden for at least one year. D. Flowers from shrubs and trees. E. Flowers from climbers.	1 or more specimens of each if possible (see notes below).
50	<b>Fruit &amp; Vegetables not commonly grown in Bahrain</b>	A. Vegetables B. Fruits	3 specimens. 3 specimens.
51	<b>Miscellaneous</b>		1 specimen.

#### 3.1 Notes of Experimental Gardening – Classes 49 - 51

- 3.1.1 Written details of cultivation must be submitted on an A4 sheet with each entry specifying 1) name of species, 2) date of planting, 3) location (e.g. sunny, shady, windy, sheltered) and 4) irrigation.
- 3.1.2 Entries without written details will be disqualified.
- 3.1.3 Successful experimental gardening encourages others to grow the exhibit and then, over the years, more specimens become 'commonly grown in Bahrain'.
- 3.1.4 A photograph may be submitted as an exhibit if the specimen was in flower or bearing fruit, etc., in a season not coinciding with the show.
- 3.1.5 A prize will only be awarded to an exhibit which has not won a first Prize in previous years unless the exhibit has been cultivated by a different method.
- 3.1.6 A list of previous prize winning entries can be viewed on the Bahrain Garden Club's website – [www.gardenclub.com](http://www.gardenclub.com)
- 3.1.7 New hybrids are eligible to be entered.

#### 3.2 Experimental Bulbs, Tubers and Corms – Classes 49.A & 51

- 3.2.1 Must have been grown in exhibitor's own garden.
- 3.2.2 If exhibiting a photograph show a few leaves if they have not died down.
- 3.2.3 State on the cultivation sheet the flowering season.

#### 3.3 Experimental Annuals – Class 49.B

- 3.3.1 Must have been grown from seed by the Exhibitor and in the Exhibitor's own garden - NOT seedlings from a commercial nursery and then planted in the Exhibitor's garden.

### **3.4 Experimental Perennials – Class 49.C**

- 3.4.1 Must have been grown from seed by the Exhibitor and in the Exhibitor's own garden.
- 3.4.2 Imported perennials must have been grown in an exhibitor's own garden for at least one year.
- 3.4.3 If a photograph is exhibited please attach a few of the specimen's leaves as 'living proof'.

### **3.5 Experimental Shrubs, Trees and Climbers – Class 49.D & 49.E**

- 3.5.1 Irrespective of whether the plant has been grown from a seed, cutting or imported, the specimen must have grown in the exhibitor's own garden for at least one year. This is to ensure that such experimental plants can be grown long term in Bahrain.
- 3.5.2 Shrubs, trees and climbers grown from either seeds or cuttings by the exhibitor are likely to gain the exhibitor higher points than if imported as a plant.
- 3.5.3 If the plant is not in fruit or flower for the show a photograph should be exhibited. Attach a specimen branch of the plant, even if without a leaf, as 'living proof'.

### **3.6 Experimental Vegetables - Class 50.A**

- 3.6.1 Must have been grown from seed, tubers or corms by the exhibitor in the exhibitor's own garden.
- 3.6.2 If a photograph is exhibited state on the cultivation sheet when the vegetable are in season.
- 3.6.3 The exhibitor may enter as many different species in each class as he/she wishes.
- 3.6.4 One specimen or more may be exhibited.
- 3.6.5 The exhibitor may win in each class as many prizes as the judges feel are appropriate to award.
- 3.6.6 Write on a cultivation sheet the 1) method of planting, i.e. seeds sown directly into the ground or in seed tray, 2) Irrigation, i.e. Drip system, flooding, frequency or watering, 3) Location, i.e. Sun, shade, partial shade, and 4) state whether the exhibit was imported, sown from seed or grown from cutting. Give any information pertaining to the exhibit that may be of interest to others who may wish to grow the plant themselves. Include the full botanical name if at all possible.

## 4. FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS, DISPLAYS & CREATIONS (FOR ADULTS) – CLASSES 52 - 62

<b>Classes 52 - 60 (Floral arrangements displays &amp; creations)</b>		
Details are listed on the Current Year Attachment. Go to 4.1 below for relevant notes pertaining to these classes.		
61	<b>A. Pot-et-Fleur</b>	Arrangement incorporating pot plants, which must not be flowering. Use no more than five fresh cut flowers. The size of the arrangement should not exceed 45cm wide x 35cm deep x 50cm high.
	<b>B. Terrarium (small) C. Terrarium (large)</b>	An exhibit of fresh indoor plants grown in clear glass containers. The plants must be grown in compost. The compost should not exceed a third of the container's height. The container should be tightly closed. The use of a Fish tank as a container is not acceptable. For the small Terrarium the size of the container should not exceed 35cm overall. For the large Terrarium the size of the container should be over 35cm to 50cm overall.
62	<b>Ikebana</b>	<b>A. Basic Style. B. Free Style. C. Special Occasions</b> See Current Year Attachment for the title of this arrangement .

### 4.1 Notes on Floral Exhibits for Adults – Classes 52 – 62

- 4.1.1 Predominance of plant material over all other components in the exhibit.
- 4.1.2 Plant material which is unblemished, well conditioned and appropriate.
- 4.1.3 Creative and imaginative use of design principles – the use of balance, scale proportion, rhythms, contrast and dominance achieved by good use of form, line, color, texture and space to contribute to total harmony.
- 4.1.4 Plant material, container, base, background, accessories and any title should all contribute to the overall design.
- 4.1.5 Clear interpretation of the class title. Plant material should help interpret the title or theme without the sole reliance on accessories.

## 4.2 Notes on Pot-et-Fleur – Class 61.A

A 'Pot-et-Fleur' is a delightful name for a planted bowl of house plants and cut flowers. The pot plants create a long lasting frame work and the flowers give color, form and variation. You can alter your design each week by changing the flowers. You can arrange your pots directly in a basket or bowl so that they can easily be changed.

- 4.2.1 The arrangement is essentially a combination of green indoor plants (in or out of pots) and cut flowers.
- 4.2.2 All plant materials used must be fresh.
- 4.2.3 The soil must be well hidden, especially in the front and sides.
- 4.2.4 Any accessory used to hold the plant material in place must be well hidden.
- 4.2.5 No cut foliage should be used.
- 4.2.6 The plant materials must not be blemished, damaged or have brown edges or patches.
- 4.2.7 The arrangement must be within the required width and height as per the schedule.
- 4.2.8 Do not use flowering plants; use cut up to 5 flowers.

## 4.3 Advice on Terrariums – Class 61.B & 61.C

The simple combination of a glass container, soil, gravel, charcoal, air, water and plants makes a terrarium the easiest and most beautiful way to display plants in your home. Your plants will keep clean and glossy in the moist air inside your terrarium with little watering. Choose small, humidity loving, plants. If planting more than one variety, choose different foliage shapes and colours for added interest. Avoid quick growing plants as they will smother the other varieties. Also avoid flowering types because the flowers will drop off and rot.

### **Suitable Plants for Terrariums:**

Chlorophytum (Spider Plants)  
Dracaena Sanderiana (Ribbon Plant)  
Ficus Pumila (Creeping Fig)  
Fittonia (Nerve Plant)  
Hedera (Ivy) Helxine (Baby's Tears)  
Hypoestes (Polka Dot Plant)  
Maranta (Prayer Plant)  
Pellaea (Button Fern)  
Peperonia (Pepper Elder)  
Pilea (Aluminum Plant)

### **You will need:**

- A container which must be of glass or another substance through which light can pass and a lid (no lid if it is an Open Terrarium), but the competition requires a closed Terrarium.
- Small stones or crushed clay pot (for the drainage layer at the bottom of the terrarium to prevent damage to plant roots).
- Crushed charcoal (to prevent soil going sour)
- Potting Compost
- Small Plants (two or more with similar environmental needs).

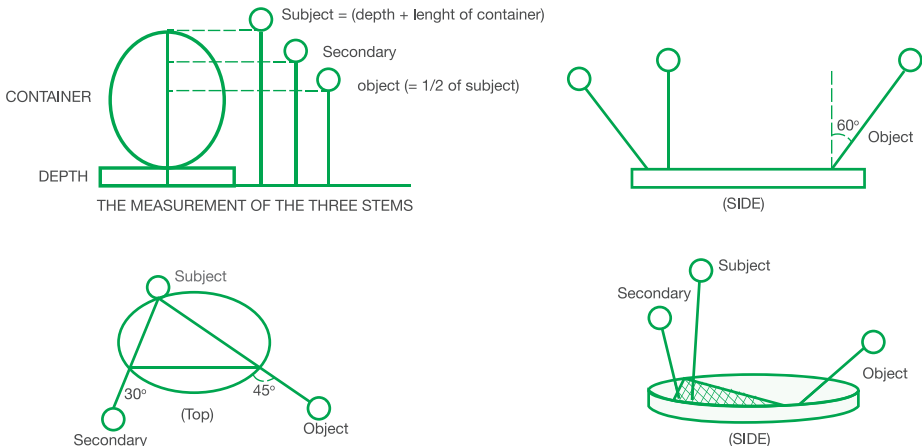
### Method:

- Place gravel in the bottom of terrarium to a depth of ½ inch.
- Add ¼ inch layer of charcoal.
- Add compost to a depth of not more than 1/3 of the container height.
- Make holes in compost and set in the plant firmly allowing room for growth.
- Spray the plants lightly with water. The soil should be moist but not soaked or saturated.
- Place terrarium in a cool place for a few days to allow plants to adjust and a correct moisture balance to be obtained. Thereafter keep your Terrarium in a good light but never in direct sunlight.
- You only need to water occasionally.

### Maintenance:

- Terrarium with Lid: If too much moisture forms inside, leave the terrarium open for a few days.
- Open Terrarium: Check soil for adequate moisture. If drying out too quickly, move to a cooler place.
- Remove any dead leaves.
- Cut back shoots that grow to big.
- Six months after planting feed your plant with a houseplant fertilizer.
- Do not over water

## 4.4 Advice on Ikebana – Classes 62.A, 62.B & 62.C



#### POINTS OF FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

1. CUT STEM IN THE WATER SO FLOWERS CAN STAY LONG.
2. WE TRIM THE STEM LEAVING NECESSARY LEAVES, BRANCHES & FLOWERS.
3. THE TOP OF STEM ALWAYS SET TOWARD UP.

## 5. HANDICRAFTS & PRESERVES FOR ADULTS – CLASS 63

63	<b>Handicrafts</b>	<b>A.1.1 Embroidery</b> <b>A.1.2 Embroidery</b> <b>A.2.1 Cross stitch</b> <b>A.2.2 Cross stitch</b> <b>A.3.1 Crochet</b> <b>A.3.2 Crochet</b> <b>A.4.1 Knitting</b> <b>A.4.2 Knitting</b>		Up to 30cm overall. Over 30cm. Up to 30cm overall. Over 30cm. Up to 30cm overall. Over 30cm. Up to 30cm overall. Over 30cm.
		<b>A.5.1 Miscellaneous Handicrafts</b> <b>A.5.2 Miscellaneous Handicrafts</b>	Includes woodwork, carving, pyrography, painted pottery.	Up to 30cm overall. Over 30cm.
	<b>Preserves, Jam and Marmalade</b>	<b>B.1 Jam or Jelly</b>  <b>B.2 Marmalade</b>  <b>B.3 Pickles</b> <b>B.4 Dried Fruit</b>  <b>B.5 Dried Herbs</b>	Jam and Jelly conserves are sweet and contain fruit, vegetables or edible flowers. Use jars/containers not more than 300ml. (Please note that Jelly is a Jam without seeds and does not contain Gelatine).  Marmalade is a sweet preserve with a bitter tang made from juice and peels of citrus fruit/s. Use jars/containers not more than 300ml.  Use jars/containers not more than 900ml.  1 or more varieties not more than 50gm per variety. Keep each variety separate but include in one display.  1 or more varieties not more than 50gm per variety. Keep each variety separate but include in one display.	

### 5.1 Handicraft & Preserves

- 5.1.1 Handicrafts must have been made by the competitor within the last 12 months before the current Bahrain Garden Show.
- 5.1.2 Presentation is also important in the judging process.
- 5.1.3 The handicraft cup winners will be chosen from the best in class for works up to 30cm and for works over 30cm in size. One cup will be given to best in Class 63.

## 6. STUDENTS CLASSES

(Juniors may also enter in Garden Photography Competitions - see section 9)

### 6.1 For schools in the Kingdom of Bahrain

64	<b>Floral Arrangement</b> (see Current Year Attachment for this year's theme)	An arrangement not more than 30cm wide x 30cm length x 35cm height. A. <b>Age13 – 15 years</b> B. <b>Age16 – 18 years</b> C. <b>Age13 – 15 years</b> D. <b>Age16 -18 years</b> E. <b>Age 4 – 8 years</b> F. <b>Age 9 – 14 years</b> G. <b>Age 15+ years</b> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="font-size: 2em;">}</div> <div style="text-align: left;"> <p>Government Schools</p> <p>Private Schools</p> <p>Special Needs Schools</p> </div> </div>
65	<b>Floral Arrangement</b> (see Current Year Attachment for this year's theme)	This creative arrangement should not exceed more than 30cm wide x 30cm length x 35cm height. <b>Ages 8 – 12 years.</b>
66	<b>Miniature Garden</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use seed tray lined with plastic sheet, fill the bottom layer with Hydro con for easy drainage and top layer with compost.</li> <li>- The tray should not exceed 40cm x 30cm, it can be smaller but not bigger than 40 x 30 cm, otherwise the entry will be disqualified.</li> <li>- Use only fresh and miniature plants, grass seedlings etc. And dry natural garden materials for mini garden accessories. Models and figurines are not allowed. Do not use vegetables.</li> </ul> <b>Ages 6 – 11 years.</b>
67	<b>My Fruit Garden</b>	Use basket not more than 25cm to plant a strawberry seedling. <b>Ages 3 – 6 years.</b>

### 6.2 Bahrain Government School Gardens' Productions (entry form of page 26)

68	<b>A Flowers</b> <b>B Vegetables &amp; Herbs</b>	Annual flowers. Vegetables & herbs grown in the School Gardens will be judged at the School grounds.
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### 6.3 Bahrain School Gardens (entry form of page 26)

69	<b>Educational School Gardens</b>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin-right: 10px;">}</div> <div style="text-align: left;"> <p>A. Primary</p> <p>B. Intermediate</p> <p>C. Secondary</p> <p>D. Private Schools</p> </div> <div style="margin-left: 10px;"> <p>Government Schools</p> </div> </div>
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## **6.4 Introduction to School Gardens**

The School gardens can be a wonderful classroom. Students can connect with nature and discover the true source of the food they eat. The garden can be an educational tool to teach the value of horticulture.

A school garden can be incorporated with many subjects from Maths and Science to Arts, Physical Education and Social Studies.

Gardening can be combined with other educational goals such as personal and social responsibility which can shows students of all ages how horticulture can contribute to a sustainable environment as well as turning their hobby into a fulfilling career goal.

## **6.5 Requirements for Competition**

6.5.1 Entry Form (Page 26) for classes 68.A, 68.B & 69.

6.5.2 One photo of school garden size 8 X 11 inches should be submitted at registration.

6.5.3 Gardens will be judged by a panel of professionals according to criteria stated in this handbook.

6.5.4 The Judges decision is final.

## 7. RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL EST. GARDEN COMPETITIONS

(NB. If you wish to enter categories in this section please ask at the Bahrain Garden Club office for “Residence Garden Booklet”).

Gardening fulfil a human need to be in touch with nature. Creating and tending a garden is satisfying rhythm to life. As a result we get experience, joy and nourishment to our souls. Gardening is a delight in good times and also times of difficulty.

Hoping you get inspired in being involved to become more familiar with plants, trees and what they like and dislike and be happy in living in harmony with nature. Whether you are filling your balcony or just want colour by your front door, there is a category to meet your preference.

### 7.1 Residential Gardens

70	<b>Best Kept Residential Garden</b>	A. Best kept small garden up to 500 m <sup>2</sup> (Vegetable patch is not required). B. Best kept medium garden up to 1000 m <sup>2</sup> (Vegetable patch is required). C. Best kept large garden over 1500 m <sup>2</sup> (Vegetable patch is required). D. Best kept new garden up to 4 years old (Vegetable patch is not required).
71	<b>Best Display of Annuals</b>	
72	<b>Bougainvillea</b>	Best display of assorted varieties.
73	<b>Best Kept Container Gardens</b>	Best Kept Container Gardens – the container must be moveable and more than 35 container and 60% planted with perennials.
74	<b>Water Plant Garden</b>	
75	<b>Best Display of Shrubs and Trees</b>	
76	<b>Best Kept Kitchen Garden</b>	
77	<b>Best Kept Experimental Garden</b>	
78	<b>Best Kept Front Garden</b>	Most effective use of space to create greenery using containers, trellis, water element etc.
79	<b>Best Kept Rock Garden</b>	Not more than 200 m <sup>2</sup> .
80	<b>Best display of Exotic Plants</b>	Tree, shrubs, climbers, annuals and cactus.

## 7.2 Commercial Establishments Gardens

81	<b>Best Kept Environmentally Friendly Garden.</b>
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This competition is basically considered for commercial establishments. (Ministries, public gardens, compounds, coffee shops ...etc).

Annually will choose one category of establishment (see current year attachment for chosen category of establishment).

### **IMPORTANT NOTE PLEASE REFER TO THE GUIDELINES IN EACH CATEGORY**

## 7.3 Rules of Entry and Hints to Exhibitors

The purpose of the annual garden competition is to promote excellence in gardening in the Kingdom of Bahrain (whether through the use of rare and unusual plants or in the overall design and effect of a garden) and good horticultural maintenance practices.

The continued enthusiasm and support for this annual event is the result of a small, hardworking team of volunteers. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of everyone involved in the competition, especially the judges, competitors and photographers. Their dedication to the task is inspiring.

Information regarding the competition can may be found on The Bahrain Garden Club website, [www.bahraingardenclub.com](http://www.bahraingardenclub.com) or by contacting the Garden Club on 39774194.

## 7.4 Notes on Garden Competitions

- 7.4.1 To ensure that the garden competition is judged both fairly and objectively, the Club has approved and will adhere to the following guidelines:
- 7.4.2 The competition is open to club members and all residents.
- 7.4.3 Amateur gardeners who maintain their own private gardens may enter Gardens that have been professionally designed, constructed and maintained.
- 7.4.4 You can enter only one type of garden (Small, Medium, Large or New)
- 7.4.5 If you have won first place in a particular category for three consecutive years, you must stand aside for three consecutive years immediately afterwards to let others have a chance to win.
- 7.4.6 You may enter as many classes as you wish unless you are entering the Grand Challenge (King Hamad's Cup).
- 7.4.7 The entry fees for all garden classes are BD 5 + 200 files for any other category of garden competition.
- 7.4.8 You may meet the judges when they arrive but you must not be in the garden when it is judged.
- 7.4.9 Judging will take place over TWO days. Interference or influencing judges is highly discouraged. The decision of the judges is final. Photography may happen on the same day as of the judging.

7.4.10 After the completion of the judging a representative of the Bahrain Garden Club will contact you within two weeks regarding the results.

7.4.11 First, second and third place prizes are awarded in each category, and winners will be invited to an award ceremony where they will be presented with cups and certificates. The Ceremony will be announced in the newsletter or on the website and in the media.

## 7.5 Judging Criteria

Judges are looking for gardens that are above average. Carefully consider the class that you enter because you may lose points for entering in an inappropriate class. If you are competing in the Grand Challenge, (King Trophy) the judges will look at the complete yard, including front, back and sides, (Vegetable Garden, Annuals, Lawns, Best Display of Trees and Shrubs and Container Garden, Experimental Garden) will be judged on their own merits.

## 7.6 Prizes

First winner will receive a trophy and certificate. A First Place winners in the Grand Challenge Classes will have their name inscribed on the Grand Challenge Trophy. They will also receive a certificate. Second and third place winners will receive a certificate.

## 8. CARVING

82	<b>Fruit and Vegetable Carving</b>	Open to all, e.g. hotels, catering est., individuals, etc.
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## 9. GARDEN PHOTOGRAPHY

83	<b>A.1 Landscape - School students</b> <b>A.2 Landscape - Amateurs</b> <b>A.3 Landscape - Professionals</b> <b>B.1 Close up - School students</b> <b>B.2 Close up - Amateurs</b> <b>B.3 Close up - Professionals</b>	See Current Year Attachment for details of subject/s to be photographed for the competition.
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### 9.1 Who can enter

- 9.1.1 School Students: Any school student can enter this competition through their respective school formalities (no age restriction).
- 9.1.2 Amateurs: 15 years and above (excluding school students).
- 9.1.3 Professional: 18 years and above.

### 9.2 Entering the competition you agree to abide by the following rules:

- 9.2.1 Any image which won a place in another competition is not eligible.
- 9.2.2 You can use any type of camera to create your image. It is recommended to use the highest image quality.
- 9.2.3 There is no restriction on the type of camera or the technique you use to produce your final image.
- 9.2.4 Each category will have a winner.
- 9.2.5 Finalists will have their winning photographs shown at the International Bahrain Garden Show of the year.

### 9.3 How to enter:

- 9.3.1 You must register and clearly indicate your category.
- 9.3.2 All photos must be in colour.
- 9.3.3 The photos must have been taken in Bahrain in the last 12 months prior to the opening of the Bahrain Garden Show.
- 9.3.4 A competitor may participate with up to 2 photographs in categories 83.A & 83.B.
- 9.3.5 All Photographs must measure 21 x 30 cm.

## 10. COMPETITION CUPS AND PRIZES

### A. IN OPEN COMPETITION

- 1. His Majesty King Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa Cup:**  
To exhibitor gaining most points in Gardens - classes 70 - 77
- 2. His Highness Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Al Khalifa Cup:**  
To exhibitor gaining most points in Flowers- classes 1-24
- 3. His Highness Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Al Khalifa Cup:**  
To exhibitor gaining most points in Vegetables - classes 25-46
- 4. Her Royal Highness Princes Sabeekha Bint Ebrahim Al Khalif Cup:**  
To exhibitor gaining best points in Photography - class 83 (a), (b), (c)
- 5. His Highness Shaikh Abdulla Bin Hamad Al Khalifa Cup:**  
To exhibitor gaining most points in Environmental Garden - class 81
- 6. Her Highness Shaikha Haya Bint Mohamed Al Khalifa Cup:**  
To exhibitor gaining most points in exotic Plants - class 80
- 7. Yateem Trophy: (52-60) First from first**  
Best floral exhibit in the show
- 8. Cooper Ikebana Bowl:**  
Best exhibit in class 62(a) - Basic Style
- 9. The Japanese Ambassador's Award.**  
Best exhibit in class 62(b) - Free Style
- 10. The Bahrain Japan Friendship Society Award.**  
Best exhibit in class 62(c) - Special Occasions
- 11. The Flower Arranger Award:**  
Best exhibit in Class 56
- 12. Keen Goblet**  
Best exhibit in Class 60
- 13. Kanoo Cup:**  
Best kept small garden in Class 70 (a)
- 14. Bahrain Garden Club Rose Bowl:**  
Best kept medium Garden 70 (b)
- 15. Bahrain Garden Club Plate:**  
Best kept large garden class 70 (c)
- 16. Beckett Trophy:**  
Most points in the collections - classes (24 - 45)
- 17. British Ambassador's Cup:**  
To the Bahrain Government school with the best exhibit of flowers 68 (a)

**18. British Ambassador's Cup:**

To the Bahrain Government school with the best exhibit of vegetables 68 (b)

**19. Bond Cup:**

Best exhibit in student class 65

**20. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Best exhibit student in class 67

**21. Zu'abi Cup:**

Best exhibit in Student class 64 (a) (13-15 years)

**22. Zu'abi Cup:**

Best in class 64 (b) (16-18 years)

**23. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Best exhibit in student class 64 (c) (13-15 years)

**24. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Best Exhibit in student class 64 (d) (16-18 years)

**25. Richey – Tucker Trophy:**

Best exhibit in Class 73 (Container Garden)

**26. United States of America Cup:**

Best exhibit in Class 71 (Annual)

**27. Esamat Faraj Cup:**

Best exhibit in class 64 (e) (Special Needs)

**28. Rashida Tadayon Cup:**

Best exhibit in Class 82 (Carving)

**29. Shaikha Shaikha Bint Mohamad Al Khalifa Cup:**

Best exhibit in class 17 (b) Rose one bloom hybrid tea

**30. Walker Trophy:**

Best exhibit in Class 58 (Present Title)

**31. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Best exhibit in class 61(a) Pot et Fleur

**32. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Best exhibit in class 61(b) Terrarium

**33. Shaikha Fatima Bint Ahmed Al Khalifa Cup:**

Best exhibit in class 63a (1), 63b (2)

**34. Shaikha Muneera Bint Ahmed Al Khalifa Cup:**

Best exhibit in class 63b (1), (2), (3) First from Firsts

**35. Mother & Child Welfare Society Cup:**

Best exhibit in special needs - class 64(f)

- 36. Bethan Robinson Cup:**  
Best exhibit in special needs - class 64(g) (Free Style)
- 37. Elizabeth Shaheen Trophy:**  
Best exhibit student in class 66
- 38. National Action Charter Cup:**  
Best exhibit in school garden - class 69(a)
- 39. Ministry of Education Cup:**  
Best exhibit in school garden - class 69(b)
- 40. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**  
Best exhibit in school garden - class 69(c)
- 41. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**  
Best exhibit in school garden - class 69(d)
- 42. Ministry of Municipalities Affair Cup:**  
Best exhibit Kept New Garden - under 4 years old class 70 (d)
- 43. Elizabeth Shaheen Plate:**  
Best exhibit in trees & shrubs - class 75
- 44. Eng. Zahra Abdul Malik Cup:**  
Best exhibit in kitchen garden - class 76
- 45. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**  
Best exhibit in experiment garden - class 77
- 46. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**  
Best exhibit in front garden - class 78
- 47. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**  
Best exhibit in Rock garden - class 79



## **B. TO GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS ONLY**

### **1. His Highness Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa Cup:**

To Club member, most points in experimental gardening - classes (49 - 51)

### **2. Lady Luce Cup:**

Club member most points in the show.

### **3. Gulf Air Cup:**

Club Member second highest point in show - classes (1 - 24)

### **4. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Club member gaining most points in Flower Arranging - classes (52 - 60)

### **5. Bahrain Garden Club Cup:**

Club member gaining most points in Vegetable - classes (25 - 46)

### **6. Bahrain Garden Club Bowl:**

Club member gaining second highest points in Experimental Gardening classes (49 - 51)

### **7. Strickland Rose Trophy:**

Club member showing the best Hybrid Tea Rose - class 18 (a)

### **8. Enid Belgrave Rose Bowl:**

Club member showing the best Bahrain Rose - class 18 (c)

### **9. Halifax Bougainvillea Cup:**

Club member with best exhibit of Bougainvillea - class 72 (b)

### **10. Walker Trophy:**

Best exhibit in Novice - class 58

### **11. Elizabeth Wood Cup:**

Club member gaining- best Collection of Herbs - class 46

### **12. Bahrain Garden club Cup:**

Club member awarded by the club committee

**NOTES:**

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## School Garden Competition Form

(For categories 68.A, 68.B & 69)

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Did you Win 1st Place in any Year

Yes  No

### Is this the first time you have entered Garden Competition?

Yes  No

We enclose our entry fee's:

Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of School representative (signatory's name printed):

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_



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