

State Handicraft

Schedule 26/27



State Handicraft Exhibition Schedule 2026/2027

Each Exhibitor in the Group Competition **must** be a financial member of CWA of NSW.

All knitting and crochet items **must** have a label or strands attached.

Each Article must have been completed within two years of the current State Exhibition. Soiled work will only receive a maximum score of 60.

Each article must be the work of the exhibitor and work which has been entered in the Group Section may be entered the following year in the Natural Fibres Section if it meets the criteria.

Maximum size of any framed work must not exceed 50 cm X 50 cm (unless otherwise stated by the committee) and must be in a padded fabric bag with name, branch and group attached.

Maximum size for quilts and rugs must be **no larger** than 220 cm X 220 cm. If quilted by another person, there must be a label attached stating this.

Maximum dimension of dolls, toys and bears must not exceed 50 cm.

Maximum dimension of filled cushions is 40 cm x 40 cm.

Note: If items do not meet this criteria they will not be judged at state level.

Handicraft Officers are advised that articles are insured from the time they are in the care of Group Handicraft Officer until returned to their owner after Conference.

Group Competition

Each group to enter eight articles

(if possible) of any handicraft technique for Group Competition. The pure wool knitting can of course be entered but it is now not compulsory. Painting, pottery, diamond dots, scrapbooking, mosaics and folk art are not included in Handicraft techniques.

If there are any special details for items, these need to be written and attached to the entry (not attached or on the entry form). If a member has a permanent label with their name on it, this must be covered for judging.

Bonus points will be given for presenting eight different techniques.

Open Classes

CLASS A: Garment or article of craft made by a member 80 years and over.

CLASSES B1, B2: these classes are open to any child residing in NSW and ACT. Age as of 1st May in the year of the State Exhibition and must be stated on the article tag and on the entry form.

CLASS B1: Any Article of craft made by a junior 12 years and under (commercial quilting allowed).

CLASS B2: Any article of craft made by a junior 13-18 years of age (commercial quilting allowed).

CLASS C: Four coathangers using four different techniques. Maximum size for each coathanger, including hook, is 30cm high and 50cm wide. This is a branch challenge and therefore at least four or more members of the branch must be involved in producing the items. Please put names and what part they played on an accompanying page with your entry form and items.

CLASS D—Chairpersons' Choice: Brazilian Embroidery. Maximum

size 40 cm x 40 cm.

CLASS E: Special Section for members: Garment or article incorporating smocking.

CLASS F: Handcrafted bag, any technique, no larger than 50cm x 50cm

Natural Fibres Section

This section is open to **all** residents of NSW and ACT.

All articles must have at least 70% natural fibre. Labels and/or strands must be attached to each entry.

Section 1: Hand knitted or crocheted knee or cot rug using commercial natural fibres—max 150 cm X 150 cm.

Section 2: Hand knitted garment or article from commercial natural fibres 5 ply or finer.

Section 3: Hand crocheted garment or article from commercial natural fibres 5 ply or finer.

Section 4: Hand knitted garment or article from commercial natural fibres 6 ply or thicker.

Section 5: Hand crocheted garment or article from commercial natural fibres 6 ply or thicker.

Section 6: Hank or skein of home spun fibre spun by the maker.

Section 7: Garment or article, knitting or crochet made from 100% pure wool.

Section 8: Garment made from woven fibres (not knitting or crochet).

Section 9: Felted garment or article made from wet or needle felting (not purchased felt).