

**Nova Woodturners' Guild**  
**Turning Competition Rules and Regulations**  
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**Competitive levels**

Novice  
Intermediate  
Open  
Master

**Categories of Turnings**

Spindle turning  
Face Plate turning  
Mandrel turning

**Rules:**

1. Each competitor may enter 2 pieces per category.
2. Each piece entered must be accompanied by an entry form and the entry fee.
3. The entry fee is \$5.00 per piece for members and \$15.00 per piece for non-members.
4. Competitors are responsible for covering their signature and/or any identifiable marks on their entries. All entries will have a number placed on them by the Competition Committee
5. Each piece entered must have been made by the signing turner within 12 months prior to the competition date.
6. The competitor is responsible for the packing, delivery and pickup to and from the competition location on the specified dates.
7. Each entry must be turned primarily on a woodworking lathe.
8. Individuals with pieces in the competition shall not be involved with judging of pieces or the counting or tallying of the results. In the event where all members of the Competition Committee have entries in the competition, the Committee shall appoint an auditor to verify the results. Such auditor shall not have pieces in the competition being audited.
9. The decision of the judges will be final.

10. Trophies:
  - a) A trophy will be presented for 1<sup>st</sup> place in each level. The trophy remains the property of the NWG but the winning member may take it home for the year. Each year a nameplate with the winners name will be attached to the trophy, creating a history of past winners. Second and third place winners will receive special mention and photos in the newsletter and on the website.
  - b) Trophies will not be awarded to non-members of NWG. Non-members placing first in any category will have their names attached to the trophy.
  - c) In the event of a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place the names of both winners will be placed on the nameplate, subject to Rule 10(b).
11. All pieces entered in the competition are eligible in the “Peoples Choice Award” which is determined by official ballots to be filled out by visitors to the competition. The winner of the Peoples Choice Award will have their name on a nameplate to be mounted on the Warman Castle Memorial Trophy. The winner gets to take the trophy home for a year.
12. Where prizes are donated for the competition, prizes will be awarded for participation and for placing first, second and third in the competition at three levels (Novice, Intermediate and Open), or for participation in accompanying/supporting events. The actual distribution of specific prizes will be made at the discretion of the Competition Committee.
13. Levels:
  - a) The competitor’s level relates to his/her skill capability. Each competitor will determine their level of entry if they have never entered a competition before. The Competition Committee will substantiate this level. The same level of turning will apply to all categories of turning.
  - b) Where a competitor wins a category with three or more competitors, they will be promoted to the next highest level for all subsequent competitions.
14. Any concerns/complaints during the competition will be forwarded to the Competition Committee. Their decision will be final and binding.
15. Categories:
  - Spindle turnings will be defined as when there is a definite grain pattern that is parallel to the lathe axis when it is being worked.
  - Mandrel turnings will be any turnings in which a mandrel was used in production of the item.
  - Faceplate turnings All other pieces are to be considered as faceplate turnings. Pieces that combine both spindle and faceplate turnings will be categorized as per the larger percentage as determined by the Competition Committee.

16. The size of the entry must fit into a 12-inch by 12-inch by 12- inch cube, oriented as it will be displayed.
17. These rules are subject to review/change at the AGM.