

NFR MODEL CONTEST RULES, ELIGIBILITY AND AWARDS (Jan. 2004)

JUDGED MODEL CONTEST RULES

1. All models must be brought to the contest room. They must be properly entered, displayed and removed by the entrant as supervised by the contest committee.
2. No entries will be accepted after judging has started. Late models may be exhibited.
3. Suitable space will be allotted for effective judging and viewing. Every reasonable precaution will be taken to the models.
4. All entries must be on the official entry forms. Contestants will be given a receipt which must be presented to recover the entry.
5. There will be no limit to the number of entries per contestant.
6. Models will be displayed to permit maximum inspection with a minimum of handling.
7. First, second and third ribbons will be awarded in each category on the basis of points earned.
8. Best-In-Show award will consist of a ribbon, plaque and two free full registrations to the next regional convention. These registrations can not be carried beyond the same.

JUDGED MODEL CONTEST ELIGIBILITY

1. Contestants must be paid-up members of the NMRA and the NFR.
2. Commercially built models and professional model builders are ineligible.
3. Unmodified, ready-to-run models are ineligible.
4. Models that have won awards in previous regional or national contests are ineligible.
5. Entries requiring more than 10 square feet of space and/or weighing more than 100 pounds are ineligible.

JUDGED MODEL CONTEST KITBUILT & SCRATCHBUILT CATEGORIES

1. Steam Locomotives
2. Diesel Locomotives and Others
3. Traction
4. Passenger Cars
5. Freight Cars
6. Cabooses
7. Non-Revenue
8. Structures
9. Scenes

APPEARANCE CONTEST RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

1. All entries must be brought to the contest room, properly entered, displayed and removed by the entrant as supervised by the contest committee.
2. Entrant must submit an entry form (903) giving name, address and brief description of the model entered. No other documentation is required.
3. All convention registrants are eligible to enter this contest.
4. No restriction on the size or scale of entries per entrant.
5. No restriction on the number of entries per entrant.
6. Two divisions in the contest: Prototype and Freelance.
7. The categories in each division are: Steam, Diesel, Traction, Passenger, Freight, Caboose, Non-Revenue, Structures and Scenes.
8. Voting is by popular choice of all convention registrants.
9. Ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in each category.
10. Plaque and prize for Best-In-Division.

SPECIAL AWARD CATEGORIES

1. Best Junior Award
2. Best Novice Award
3. Chairman's Award
4. President's Award
5. Vice President's Award
6. Best Structure Award
7. Best Locomotive Award
8. Fred "Kaboose" Luff Best Caboose Award
9. Best Narrow Gauge Award
10. Ed Van Leer Best Traction Award
11. Best-in-Division (Appearance Contest)
12. Hugh L. Jack Best-in-Show (Judged Contest)

Best Junior Award (sponsored by the NFR)

1. Entrant must be 19 years of age or under on the day of the contest.
2. Award goes to the highest scoring eligible model in the Judged Contest.
3. The entrant must designate entry for this award on the entry form.
4. Entrants are eligible for repeat awards at subsequent conventions until they become over-age.
5. Award winning models are ineligible from further competition in this special award category.

Best Novice Award (sponsored by the BOOMERS Model Railroad Club)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model entered for the first time in any category in the Judged Contest.
2. Award can only be won once by an entrant.
3. The entrant must designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Chairman's Award (sponsored by the Model Contest Chairman)

1. Award goes to the model that the Model Contest Chairman decides deserves special recognition and that has not won another special award in the Judged Contest.
2. Models in all categories of the Judged Contest are eligible.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

President's Award (sponsored by the NFR President)

1. Award goes to highest scoring kit built model in the categories of freight, passenger, caboose, and non-revenue rolling stock in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Vice President's Award (sponsored by the NFR Vice Presidents)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring scratch-built model in the categories of freight, passenger, caboose and non-revenue rolling stock in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Best Structure Award (sponsored by the Central Ontario Division)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model in the scratch-built or kit built structure category in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Best Locomotive Award (sponsored by the Erin Mills Model Railroad Association)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model in the motive power categories of steam, diesel, and traction either kitbuilt or scratchbuilt in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Fred "Kaboose" Luff Best Caboose Award (sponsored by the Western Ontario Division)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model in the scratchbuilt or kitbuilt caboose category in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Best Narrow Gauge Award (sponsored by the St. Lawrence Division)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model (with a minimum score of at least 87.5 points) of any narrow gauge subject in the scratchbuilt or kitbuilt category in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Ed Van Leer Best Traction Award (sponsored by the Lakeshores Division and the Rochester Model Railroad Club)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model (with a minimum score of at least 87.5 points) of any traction subject in the scratchbuilt or kitbuilt category in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.

Appearance Contest “Best in Division” Award (sponsored by the International Division)

1. Award goes to the model receiving the most votes in the Prototype and Freelance Divisions of the Appearance Contest.
2. Award consists of a plaque and a prize.

Hugh L. Jack “Best in Show” (Judged Contest) (sponsored by the NFR)

1. Award goes to the highest scoring model in the scratchbuilt or kitbuilt category in the Judged Contest.
2. Models entered in these categories in the Judged Contest are automatically eligible for this award.
3. The entrant does not need to designate entry for this award on the entry form.
4. Award consists of a plaque and a prize, consisting of two free full registrations to the next regional convention. These registrations can not be carried beyond the same.