

RULES OF THE GUILD (REVISED 2018)

1. Meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month excluding January and August and subject to the availability of the meeting place.
2. Subscriptions shall be due at the AGM in September or at the October meeting, after which the membership will lapse.
3. The subscription from October 2018 will be £32.00 per year and this will be reviewed each year. Members are asked to place monies in an envelope marked with their name, together with full contact detail.
Guests are welcome at meetings at a charge of £4 for Practice Nights and Workshops; £5 for Club demonstrations except when tickets are on sale
4. Members are not allowed to enter more than one arrangement for judging at practice meetings. All fresh flowers and foliage must be arranged on the premises. At the Christmas Practice Meeting artificial plant materials may be used.
5. At practice evening, there are three sections, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. New members usually start in the Novice section, unless they are from another club and provide a letter from their previous club confirming their level. Prizes are awarded on a points system. The number of points required to move up a section is **13** and the points system is as follows.

Putting up:	1 point
1st place:	5 points
2nd place:	4 points
3rd place	3 points
Highly Commended:	2 points
Commended:	1 point
Best in Show :	2 extra points
Best use of Colour:	2 extra points

Members may remain in the same section for a further year if they do not feel ready to move up. This system is reviewed each year.

6. Nomination forms in respect of elections to be held at the Annual General Meeting shall be available to Guild members not less than one month before the meeting.
7. Changes in the Rules of the Guild may be made at any Guild meeting provided that not less than 2 weeks' notice is given.