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2022

Atodlen a Rheolau

# Cystadleuaeth Coetiroedd

Schedule and Regulations

# Woodlands Competition

Cyflwyniad Gwobrau yn - Presentation of Awards at the

Sioe Frenhinol Cymru  
Royal Welsh Show

18 - 21 Gorffennaf / July 2022

## Ceisiadau Olaf

**Closing date for entries 16 May 2022** – Please submit your entry as soon as possible, this will assist us to arrange the inspection programme in a timely fashion. Your support will be very much appreciated.

**KINDLY NOTE THAT NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

## Tâl Ymgeisio

### Entry Fee

£40.00 per Woodland

or

£35.00 if you are a fully paid member of RWAS both include entry into the National Competition in 2025

### Payment by BACS

Account Number 40713058

Sort Code 40-15-14

Account Name Royal Welsh Agricultural Society Ltd

Please can you put 'Wood' as the reference along with Woodland name.

### Medal Cards

Medal Cards will be awarded to both the Owner and the Manager / Forester

## Cyflwyniad Gwobrau

### Presentation of Awards

2022 Royal Welsh Show

Confor Marquee - Forestry Section

Tuesday 19 July

3.00p.m.

## Manylion cyswllt

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## Beirniaid

### Judges

Mr Chris Jones

Mr Alan Hubbuck

## OBJECTIVE

To recognize the excellence in Forestry and Farm Woodland Management in Wales.

## HOW TO ENTER

1. **Woodland classes** - the owner should select a range of representative areas of all the woodlands on their property for judging and provide the judges with the reasons for their selection. The judges will not have time to visit all areas especially on larger estates.
2. **Stand classes** – Areas entered as stand classes should be managed as a single entity and not spread over several different areas. The owner should select a representative area usually not exceeding one hectare in extent for the judges to view. Each stand or sub-compartment should only be entered in to one Stand class. Entrants are limited to one entry per Stand class.
3. Judges will consider Silvicultural management and will pay special attention to improved management over the past ten years. The whole of the area within the management unit must be entered and its area stated. Any working plan, objectives, or written scheme of management together with records should be produced.
4. Areas, which will have been naturally regenerated or grown from coppice are eligible for entry.
5. Awards will be made at the discretion of the judges.
6. The best entries for each Class from the four years (2021 – 2024) will be invited to enter the Welsh National Competition in 2025.
7. Entries must be made on the attached form and emailed to: [bethan@rwas.co.uk](mailto:bethan@rwas.co.uk) no later than **16 May 2022**.
8. Guidance notes are included in the application form, however if further help is required to complete the form this is available on request; please contact Mrs Bethan Davies ([bethan@rwas.co.uk](mailto:bethan@rwas.co.uk)) in the first instance.
9. Judges will view the entries as soon as possible after the closing date.
10. Please note: - information from entry forms will be stored on the computer and the name, address and details of entries may be published in the catalogue, unless otherwise advised; information about results may also be published and/or provided to the press for publication. Information about exhibitors may also be passed to any regulatory authority or Trading Standards. The making of an entry is irrevocable consent for the storage and disclosure of information in this way.

## DOSBARTHIAD - CLASSIFICATION

# WOODLANDS

BROADLEAVED, CONIFER AND MIXED WOOD OR STAND OF TREES  
(EXCLUDING POPLAR)

## PART 1

### BEST MANAGED WOODLANDS – Compulsory Section

**Woodland Class 1** - Best Managed Woodlands 1 - 15 Hectares

**Woodland Class 2** - Best Managed Woodlands 16 – 50 Hectares

**Woodland Class 3** - Best Managed Woodlands 51 – 200 Hectares

**Woodland Class 4** - Best Managed Woodlands Over 200 Hectares

## PART 2

### BEST MANAGED STAND or COMPARTMENT – Optional Section

<b>STAND CLASS</b>	<b>You should select a specific area, not exceeding 1 ha, to show the judges. Only one entry per stand class is allowed.</b>
<b>A</b>	Wood of new or restocked planting containing over 50% broadleaves under 10 years old. <i>Stands under 3 years should have a minimum height of 2m.</i>
<b>B</b>	Wood or stand containing over 50% broadleaves, over 10 & under 40 years old.
<b>C</b>	Wood or stand containing over 50% broadleaves, over 40 years old.
<b>D</b>	Wood of new or restocked planting containing over 50% conifers under 10 years old. <i>Stands under 3 years should have a minimum height of 2m.</i>
<b>E</b>	Wood or stand containing over 50% conifers, over 10 & under 30 years old.
<b>F</b>	Wood or stand containing 50% conifers, over 30 years old.
<b>G</b>	Area managed using low impact silvicultural system of any species.
<b>H</b>	A Community Woodland OR a Woodland providing enhanced Public Access facilities

## **GWOBRAU – AWARDS**

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal Certificates will be awarded at the discretion of the judges.

### **GWOBRAU ARBENNIG - SPECIAL PRIZES**

- SP1** The **Milford Silver Medal** awarded to the  
Best Broadleaf Entry in Stand Classes A, B & C
- SP2** \*\*\*\* The **Charles Shakerley Memorial Perpetual Challenge Cup** awarded to the  
Best Conifer Entry in Stand Classes D, E & F
- SP3** \*\*The **EFG Perpetual Challenge Cup** awarded for the  
Best Entry in Woodland Classes 1, 2, 3 & 4
- SP4** The **Meirion Davies Memorial Perpetual Challenge Cup** awarded to the  
Best Community Woodland or Public Access Woodland in Stand Class H
- SP5** **Cash Prize of £100** awarded for the Best Farm Woodland (Managed as part of an Agricultural business)
- SP6** \*\*The **RC Williams-Ellis Perpetual Challenge Cup** and awarded to a **Privately Owned Woodland**  
gaining the highest cumulative number of points for the Stand Classes entered
- SP7** The **Wilson Memorial Shield** awarded to the Forester or Manager of a privately owned Woodland  
gaining the highest cumulative number of points for the Stand Classes entered
- SP8** The **Royal Forestry Society of England, Wales and Northern Ireland Gold Medal Certificate** awarded  
to the Best Entry in all Stand Classes.
- SP9** The **ICF Challenge Trophy** for the **Best Professional Management** in all Woodland Classes
- \*\* Society Owned Trophy  
\*\*\*\* Non-Society Owned Trophy

### **TREFN Y GYSTADLEUAETH - COMPETITION ROTA**

- 2021** - **NORTH** – Anglesey, Caernarfon, Denbighshire, Flintshire & Meirionnydd
- 2022** - **SOUTH EAST** – Brecon, Glamorgan & Monmouthshire
- 2023** - **MID** - Cardigan, Montgomeryshire & Radnorshire
- 2024** - **SOUTH WEST** - Carmarthenshire & Pembrokeshire
- 2025** - **Welsh National Competition** – by invitation from the  
Best Entries of 2021, 2022, 2023 & 2024

# RWAS Woodland Competition 2022 Guidance Notes given in 2021 - 2024

The RWAS Woodlands Competition is open to all Owners and Occupiers of Woodland in Wales and aims to encourage good management practice in all Stand Classes of woodland. The Judges will award prizes to those entrants who can demonstrate both long term and short-term management in their woodlands. The competition has been in place for many years and as well as the Woodland & Stand class prizes there are a range of Special Prizes that have been instigated by supporters of the Competition which are awarded as well.

## How to Enter

### **Part 1 – Best Managed Woodlands – Compulsory Section**

This section is a compulsory part of the competition. Competitors must enter all their woodlands which are managed as one unit. The Woodland Class is based upon the total area of woods under management together as one unit.

*For example: An Estate has ten woodlands ranging from 1 to 15 hectares in size and totalling 75 hectares. In Part 1 they would enter Woodland Class 3, giving the name of the Estate, the area as 75 ha & the number of woods as 10. OR A private Owner has one woodland of 7 hectares. In Part 1 he would enter Woodland Class 1, giving the name of the wood, the area & the number as 1. OR An investor has two commercial blocks, managed separately & situated in different counties. He would enter each separately into the appropriate Woodland Class stating the name, the area, and the number of blocks (if more than 1).*

### **Part 2 - Best Managed stand or compartment – optional section, minimum of one entry**

You must enter at least one Stand Class in this section of the competition. Your choice of Stand Class or Classes is optional though you are encouraged to enter as many of the classes as appropriate. **Remember the entry fee covers entry to one Woodland Class and ALL the Stand Classes.**

In this competition a stand of, say, newly restocked woodland from a woodland from Woodland Class 1, above, will compete directly with a restocked area from Woodland Class 4. In this way Owners of small woodlands compete on the same level as those of the largest woodland. In practice you should select a specific area, not exceeding 5 ha, to show the judges. You should only select one area for each Stand Class for judging.

*For example: The Estate in Woodland Class 3 above enters three stands into Stand Classes B, F & G. The private Owner has one entry in Stand Class G. The investor might enter stands from his wood in to Stand Classes A, F & G.*

*In the judging the entries in Stand Class G would be judged against each other, those of Stand Class F together etc. etc.*

## **Prizes**

Prizes will be given for each Woodland and Stand Class that is entered. The Judges award prizes at their discretion and may not award any prize or may withhold prizes if the standards are not high enough.

Gold, Silver & Bronze Medal Cards will be given to the Owners and to their Manager / Forester for both the Woodland and Stand Class Sections.

The Special prizes include several Cups, Trophies and Cash Prizes.