

3. HOW TO ENTER

Each contestant must completely fill out the official entry form(s) which is to be placed in a plastic bag and pinned to the entry.

4. JUDGING

- A. Needlework entries will be judged in each state by their own procedure.
- B. Only one entry placing First in each class is to be sent to the next higher level of judging.
- C. All entries will be judged using the following criteria:
 - Workmanship
 - General Appearance
 - Selection of design and degree of difficulty
 - Harmony of Color
 - Material and article are suitable to purpose
- D. Time and place of State judging is to be determined in each state. Subordinate and Pomona Chairpersons will have details on judging in each state.

5. AWARDS

Local & State Awards are determined in each state.

NORTHEASTERN AWARDS

Each First Place:
Blue Ribbon & \$15.00

Each Second Place:
Red Ribbon & \$10.00

Each Third Place:
White Ribbon & \$5.00

Best of Show:
\$25.00

**AT EACH LEVEL OF JUDGING ...
THE JUDGES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL**

Judges should be selected with great care. They should be knowledgeable, open-minded, fair, and not be influenced by personal feelings. It is recommended that three judges work together to avoid a tie. It is preferred that judges include non-Grange members if possible, but if they are members they should not be relatives or friends of the contestants. Judges should never be told who made an article. Name identification must be covered until all judging is completed.

It is acceptable to invite a member or members of a state committee to judge in another state, but they should never be allowed to judge in their own state.

The State Director may sit with (or near) the judges to help with the recording of winners, etc. but must refrain from commenting in any way.

For any information pertaining to this contest, please contact your State Director:

For local contest information, please contact the


CWA/Family Activities/HEC Chairman of

_____ Grange No. _____

Name _____


Address _____

Telephone _____



**Northeast
Needlework
Contest**

2023-2024



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Trustees of the
New England Grange Building

**Official Entry Form and Identification Label
Needlework Contest**

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Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Grange Member _____ Non-Member _____

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2023-2024 Northeast Needlework Contest Rules

Rules must be followed exactly for each class or entries will be eliminated at the State or Regional level.

1. **ELIGIBILITY**

- A. Grange members and non-members may enter. This excludes the Family Activity State Directors from entering.
- B. Professional needlework designers or teachers or anyone earning their living in a needlework related field may not enter.
- C. A contestant may submit as many entries as have fulfilled the following requirements, but may enter only ONE item per class.
- D. Work must be entirely that of the contestant.
- E. Entries must have been completed within the contest year (August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024).

2. **WHAT TO ENTER**

CLASS A: AFGHAN

An afghan may be made using any yarn product. It can be any pattern and it may be knitted, crocheted, woven, etc. (Min. width 45 inches and max of 60 inches; Min. length 60 inches and max. of 75 inches).

CLASS B: DOILIES

May be knitted, crocheted or tatted. May use any thread suitable to article. May be any pattern or design. Max. size 18x18 inches.

CLASS C: EMBROIDERY

Any embroidered item except counted Cross Stitch. Any embroidery thread may be used. (Back of work must be visible.)

CLASS D: 3 PIECE BABY SET

May consist of a sweater plus, booties, bonnets, skirt, mittens or pants to make a three piece set. May be knitted or crocheted using any suitable pattern and product.

CLASS E: PLASTIC CANVAS

Any item made with any pattern using yarn or thread.

CLASS F: COUNTED CROSS STITCH

Any item using any thread product.

NOTE: The back of work **MUST** be seen on all embroidered pieces. Pictures may be on stretcher strips or may be framed and/or matted, **BUT NO GLASS.**

CLASS G: ADULT GARMENT

Entry may be knitted or crocheted using any pattern and any suitable product.

A garment is something worn on the body- sweater, dress, cape, poncho, vest, etc. Items not covered in this class, such as hats/caps, mittens/gloves, scarves, socks, collar, belt, etc. are considered accessories.

CLASS H: LATCH HOOK

Any item made with any pattern, using any yarn. The width must be a min. of 18" and max. of 24", and with a max. length of 45". Project must be finished (including back). If project is to be hung, it must have a sleeve on the back for hanging.

CLASS I: QUILTED WALL HANGING

Piece may be hand or machine quilted, no bigger than 36x36 inches and any product may be used for filler. If it is to be hung add a sleeve on the back.

CLASS J: STUFFED TOY

Toy may be knitted, crocheted, stitched, etc. May be stuffed with any product i.e. fiber-fils. Toys must be child safe.

CLASS K: BABY AFGHAN

Baby afghans may be knitted, crocheted, woven, etc. and must appear suitable for a baby- choice of color, selection of yarn product, etc. suitable for a baby. Max. size 35x40 inches.

CLASS L: CHILD or ADULT GARMENT SEWN

Entry must be a sewn garment for a child or adult using your own design or a pattern and use a suitable product for age. Must be completely finished and must state size. A garment is something worn on the body i.e. jacket, dress, skirt, slacks, shirt, cape, poncho, or vest.

Craft Contest

One tea cup and one saucer. Tea cup does NOT have to be glued to the saucer. Any design is permitted. Each state to send the first place winner only to the NEGB.