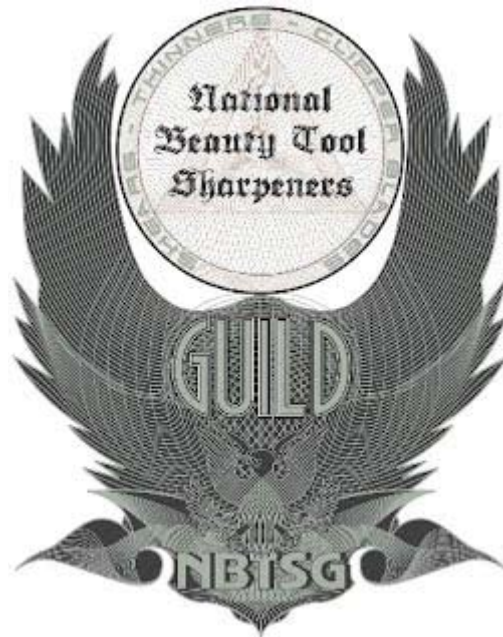


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POLICY PROPOSAL

NBTSG committees consider policies and oversee guild operations, programs, and activities within their jurisdictions. They identify issues for policy review, gather and evaluate information, and recommend courses of action to the Board of Directors.

NBTSG Policy Proposal & Approval Form

Policy Name: CERTIFICATION RULES & INFORMATION

Governing Committee: CERTIFICATION

Committee Chair: Lou Gean

Committee Vice Chair: James McGrew

Proposed Implementation Date: Immediate

Policy Proposal Summary:

Updated certification rules and information to be in line with judge credentialing policy and satellite certification events.

Submitted to membership for comments? NO YES Comment Period: _____ days.

Date submitted for comments: _____ Date comment period closed: _____

The attached policy proposal was approved by the CERTIFICATION committee to be forwarded to the NBTSG board of directors for consideration on the 28 day of February, 2018.

Signed: Lou Gean, Date 02/28/2018
Committee Chair

Board of Directors Vote Count: 7 APPROVE 0 DISAPPROVE

The attached policy proposal was considered by the NBTSG board of directors and APPROVED DISAPPROVED on the 2 day of March, 2018.

Signed: Jesse Hockett, Date 03/03/2018
Chairman of the Board

Signed: Loren Dalla Betta, Date 03/03/2018
Secretary

General Information

1. Sample score sheets will be made available to participants after their certification registration has been received by the Lead Judge.
2. Bring your own equipment, supplies, tools, and extension cords.
3. No cell phone use during certification.
4. No talking to other participants during certification.
5. Participants may sharpen in a designated certification room or use a mobile sharpening vehicle – notify the Lead Judge in advance if using a vehicle.
6. There will be a designated parking area for certification vehicles on the day of certification.
7. All shears & blades are damaged exactly the same. The certification committee takes several steps, including making fixtures, to ensure that all damage to the blades & shears is consistent.
8. Participants get to choose their own packet that contains the damaged shears or blades for certification.
9. The judge's score cannot be changed once the score sheet has been turned in to the Certification Secretary – If a mathematical error is suspected then the score sheet will be reviewed by a panel of certified Guild members and the score will be recalculated as necessary.
10. Only the top three scores for shears and blades will be recognized. However we will still recognize the level of achievement (Master/Certified/Journeyman) the participant obtained in no particular order. Presentation Order: All other Master/Certified/Journeyman Sharpeners will be recognized first - Third place - Second place - First Place
11. In the event the participant did not gain enough points to certify they will be recognized for their participation.
12. Judging is done double blind – Only the participant knows the number assigned to the packet they chose and they keep the number when the packet is turned in to the Certification Secretary – the participant does not know the letter that is assigned to the envelope by the Certification Secretary before the packets are given to the panel of judges.
13. Do not try to mark or identify the shears, blades, or the envelope in any way. This is grounds for disqualification.
14. We recommend that participants use the same processes and techniques during the certification as they use every other day they sharpen. Changing routines and processes at the last minute usually creates more stress and problems than it fixes.
15. An orientation briefing will be conducted before the actual timed event in order to go over the NBTSG standards and expectations and answer any questions that participants may have.

Shear Certification

1. No sharing of sharpening machines for shear certification.
2. Shear certification options include:
 - i. Master Program – shears have nicks, bent blades, bent handles, scratches, one shear blade will need to be corrugated.
 - ii. Journeyman Program– shears have normal, everyday problems including small nicks and dullness, no bent blades or handles, will not need to corrugate.
3. Attainable shear certification levels for the master program conducted at the annual convention are Master Sharpener or Certified Sharpener. The attainable shear certification level for the master program conducted at satellite certifications is Certified Sharpener.
4. Attainable shear certification level for the journeyman program is Journeyman Sharpener.
5. All shears are evaluated (test cuts) based on their ability to blunt cut.
6. There is a 2 hour time limit for shears (1 convex edge shear, 1 convex edge thinner & 1 bevel edge shear to be sharpened).
7. All shear certifications are conducted by NBTSG qualified judges who have met the credentialing requirements put in place by the certification committee.
8. The process at the annual convention is three judges will evaluate the shears on a collective basis on site, two of which will have previous judging experience. The process at the satellite certifications is two judges will evaluate the shears independently off site. If there is more than a 10% point discrepancy between the totals of the two evaluations then they will be evaluated by a third judge. All satellite certification judges will have previous judging experience.

Clipper Blade Certification

1. Special consideration might be available to share sharpening machines for clipper blade certification – prior arrangements with the Lead Judge are required.
2. Attainable clipper blade certification levels for the master program conducted at the annual convention are Master Sharpener or Certified Sharpener. The attainable clipper blade certification level for the master program conducted at satellite certifications is Certified Sharpener.
3. There is a 1 hour time limit for clipper blades (2 detachable clipper blades and one adjustable clipper blade to be sharpened).
4. All clipper blade certifications are conducted by NBTSG qualified judges who have met the credentialing requirements put in place by the certification committee.
5. The process at the annual convention is three judges will evaluate the blades on a collective basis on site, two of which will have previous judging experience. The process at the satellite certifications is two judges will evaluate the blades independently off site. If there is more than a 10% point discrepancy between the totals of the two evaluations then they will be evaluated by a third judge. All satellite certification judges will have previous judging experience.