



NCCTA TREE & CONTEST RULES

ALL trees and wreath greenery must be made from North Carolina grown materials.

See Tree judging Form and Wreath Judging Form for specifics.

Agree to the following:

I am a North Carolina CTA paid member.

If I am a 1st Place tree or wreath winner, I agree to join the National CTA if I am not already a member.

If I am NC Grand Champion, I agree to be willing to personally present a tree or wreath to the NC governor and take a tree or wreath to National competition. I understand that I am responsible for any expenses incurred with this endeavor.

If I am NC Grand Champion in the tree division, I agree to work with the Tree Contest Committee in selecting and promoting trees.

I will be committed to participation in the National presentation at the White House if I am National Grand Champion and I will take a Fraser Fir. I understand that I am responsible for any expenses incurred with this endeavor.

TREES: Trees must measure 6-8 feet from bottom of the handle to top of the leader.

MONETARY AWARDS TREES:

FRASER FIR

1st Place	\$500 Grand Champion
2nd Place	\$250
3rd Place	\$100

NON-FIR SPECIES

1st Place	\$200
2nd Place	\$100
3rd Place	\$ 50

WREATHS: Wreaths must be on a 12-inch ring; single or double faced.

MONETARY AWARDS WREATHS:

UNDECORATED

1st Place	\$40 Grand Champion
2nd Place	\$25
3rd Place	\$15

DECORATED

1st Place	\$40
2nd Place	\$25
3rd Place	\$15

In addition each Grand Champion Tree Contest winner will be given \$500 for attending National Competition. This will be given the year of the National Convention. The Grand Champion will also receive \$100 for attending the presentation ceremonies for the NC Governor.

SET UP TREES AND WREATHS BY 10:00 AM

09-08

**North Carolina Christmas Tree Association
Annual Tree and Wreath Contest
ENTRY FORM**

NAME _____

FARM _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ **or** _____

Was this tree grown in NC? Yes _____ **No** _____

Member National Christmas Tree Assn? Yes _____ **No** _____

TREE Category (6' to 8' in height): Fraser Fir _____ **Non-Fir** _____ (specify)
If you enter a tree in both categories, you must fill out two forms. Limit one tree per category.

WREATH (12-Inch Ring) Category: Undecorated _____ **Decorated** _____
If you enter a wreath in both categories, you must fill out two forms. Limit one wreath per category.

I agree to the following:

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___ If I am a 1st Place tree or wreath winner, I agree to join the National CTA if I am not already a member and enter the National Contest.

___ If I am NC Grand Champion, I agree to be willing to personally present a tree or wreath to the NC governor and take a tree or wreath to National competition. I understand that I am responsible for any expenses incurred with this endeavor.

___ If I am NC Grand Champion or 1st place in the tree division, I agree to work with the Tree Contest Committee in selecting and promoting trees.

___ I will be committed to participation in the National presentation at the White House if I am National Grand Champion and I will take a Fraser Fir. I understand that I am responsible for any expenses incurred with this endeavor.

SIGNED _____ (required)

DATE _____

NCCTA CHRISTMAS TREE CONTEST

TREE JUDGING FORM

Entry # _____ Judge # _____

Species Circle One: Fraser Fir or Non-Fir _____ (Specify)

REMEMBER: Tree must be 6' to 8' in height.

	Possible Points	Score	Comments
<u>FOLIAGE (100 points):</u>			
Absence of insects/diseases	0-20	_____	_____
Density (Appropriate for species)	0-20	_____	_____
Uniformity of balance (Gaps, crown thickness, internal structure, weak branches, whorls)	0-20	_____	_____
Quality of cultural work (Long branches, multiple tops)	0-20	_____	_____
Cleanliness	0-20	_____	_____

HANDLE (20 points):

Length (min. 6"; max. 12")	0-20	_____	_____
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TAPER (20 points):

Pines (40% - 90%)			
Fraser Fir, Spruces, Others (40% - 70%)	0-20	_____	_____

TOP (20 points):

Proper length, proportion to taper, full top, good needle coverage	0-20	_____	_____
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MARKETABILITY (40 points):

Consumer acceptance (First impression, color, taper, etc.)	0-20	_____	_____
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Number of good faces (USDA Standards)	0-20	_____	_____
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TOTAL POINTS	0-200	_____	
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COMBINED TOTAL POINTS:	Judge #1	_____		
	Judge #2	_____		
	Judge #3	_____	Grand Total	_____

NCCTA WREATH JUDGING FORM

CHECK CLASS: Decorated _____; Undecorated _____ Date _____

Judge # _____ Entry # _____

Wreaths may be single or double faced. Wreaths must be made of natural conifer greens and a ring size of 12-inches. No colorant may be added.

NOTE: To judge undecorated wreaths use items 1-4 only. To judge decorated wreaths use items 1-9 and the combined total.

1. Foliage	Fresh	5-10 _____ or
	Dry	0-5 _____
2. Color	Good	5-10 _____ or
	Fair	0-5 _____
3. Workmanship	Even Density	0-10 _____
	Even Center Hole	0-10 _____
	Even Outside Perimeter	0-10 _____
	No Cut Ends Visible	0-10 _____
	Choice of Material	0-10 _____
	Placement of Material	0-10 _____
4. Overall Appearance	(Eye Appeal)	0-10 _____
		TOTAL _____

DECORATIONS

5. Craftsmanship		0-10 _____
6. Originality		0-10 _____
7. Arrangement of Decorations		0-10 _____
8. Bow	Excellent	10-20 _____ or
	Average	0-10 _____
9. Overall Appearance	(Eye Appeal)	0-10 _____
		TOTAL DECORATIONS _____

COMBINED TOTAL _____