

Allotment Competition Criteria

As used by the Allotments Officer for the City Show and by Moorside Judges for nominating for the City Show and for the Moorside Allotment Trophies

Types of produce:- one point is given for each different variety of vegetable/herb up to a maximum of 20

Soft fruit:- One point is given (up to ten) for each variety of soft fruit, this includes tomatoes, chillies, and peppers as well as traditional soft fruits like strawberries

Seasonal produce:- Gardeners who display crops for all seasons gain up to 5 extra points here. Points are awarded for produce being available at different months of the year

Attractive features:- Up to ten points are given to the general appearance of the plot. Attractive features such as flowers, hanging baskets and general plot lay-out can earn extra points.

Quality of crops:- Up to ten points here

Compost/ Manure Heap:- Evidence of good use of compost and or manure earn extra points up to five points

Weeds:- if no weeds can be seen on a plot 10 points are awarded

Rubbish:- A tidy plot with no rubbish piles hidden behind sheds etc will be awarded up to ten points

Paths:- Well kept weed free paths, well laid out and maintained will earn points up to ten

Buildings:- In the best full plot with glass, up to 5 points are awarded for the appearance and cleanliness of the greenhouse.

Wildlife features:- In all classes 5 extra points can be gained for each wildlife feature i.e. bird/bat boxes, flowers, pond, bird feeding, insect habitats etc

All classes are judged using this criteria except the wildlife plot which is judged more specifically with wildlife in mind and without set criteria.