

Figure 2



Point Scoring Guidelines

(Using the 'step back' rule, i.e. take a 3-foot step away from the exhibit, look hard, and decide if the fault detracts sufficiently from the exhibit to penalize fault)

Registered Flowers

10 points - Color faults: not true to cultivar, murky, dingy, streaked, dull, faded, irregular markings
(suggested deductions are 0.5-1 each, depending on severity)

10 points - Form faults: Not true to cultivar: malformation or uneven spacing of petals or sepals, inconsistent shape of segments, incorrect number of segments.

1. Uneven spacing and inconsistency of segment shape may **NOT** be faults in informal, unusual form, or multiform cultivars.
2. Doubles appearing on the official doubles list not doubling on the day of a show should have points taken off for form, but may not be disqualified. Likewise, cultivars doubling that are not on the official doubles list should have points take off for form, but may not be disqualified.
3. There is no provision for deducting points for a spider form which appears not to meet the minimum 4:1 ratio. It is impossible to verify this ratio at a show due to the fact that it requires touching the flower, which is not allowed. Therefore, deducting points for apparent non-conformation with the 4:1 ratio is **NOT** allowed.

(Suggested deductions are 1 point each or more, depending on severity)

10 points - Texture faults: not true to cultivar, dull, lifeless, coarse, slick, unevenly ribbed, lacking luster
(Suggested deductions are 1 point each or more, depending on severity)

10 points - Substance faults: not true to cultivar, tissue thinning, wilting, browning or melting on segment edges, appearing limp

(Suggested deductions are 1-2 points each or more, depending on severity)

10 points - Size faults: not true to cultivar, smaller or larger than registered

(Suggested deductions are 1 point or more for being undersize, depending on severity; and only 0.5 points for being oversize)

15 points - Scape height and strength faults: Not true to cultivar: too short or too tall, weak, limp, crooked, fasciated (having the appearance of two or more scapes fused together and growing as one).

(Suggested deductions are 2 or more points, depending on severity)

10 points - Buds: Not true to cultivar: scant or crowded (meaning that the buds will not let the flowers open to their best advantage).

(Suggested deductions are 2 or more points, depending on severity)

10 points - Branching: not true to cultivar, crowded, unbalanced or not well-branched, scant or totally inadequate for the cultivar.

(Suggested deductions are 2 or more points, depending on severity)

15 points - Condition and Grooming: Faults which detract from the overall attractiveness of the exhibit include the following: insect damage; presence of resident insects; seed pods, spent or faded flowers; spray residue, dust, or dirt on segments or scape; brown on bracts or bloom scars; proliferations (only if they detract from the overall balance of the scape); water spots; scarred scape; tears, cracks, or breaks in segments; broken or malformed anthers and pistil; removed anthers or pollen; and crooked scapes. Artificial coloring used to hide blemishes will result in the entry being disqualified from the show.

(Suggested deductions are 0.5-1 point each, depending on severity)



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Seedlings

Seedling judging is to encourage cultivars which are better than or different from cultivars already in commerce today and are an advancement in hybridizing (are distinct in some way). NO standard has been established, so ‘distinction’ has the utmost priority. The entire exhibit should be judged for distinction first, then other qualities individually.

25 points – Distinction: look for a quality which sets the flower apart from others already in commerce.

To assess distinction, **ALL** the characteristics of the flower and the entire scape need to be considered. Points are then awarded for characteristics which lend to distinction. It should be noted that there are no points which can be deducted when judging distinction in a seedling, only points which can be awarded. Thus, just because a flower looks like others already in commerce, no points are taken off its score. Likewise, just because a flower happens to be a certain common color, shape or form, no points may be deducted from the distinction score.

Some exhibits may have only a few distinct qualities, while others may possess the finest of all these and will therefore merit more points for distinction. It is possible for a seedling to merit more than 25 points for distinction, although only 25 may be awarded. It is also possible that an entry may merit zero points for distinction. Use the Seedling Distinction Checklist on page 45 of the 2017 edition of Daylily Exhibitions for a guide to distinction.

0-5 points	Similar to others in commerce (no discernible distinction AT ALL)
6-10 points	Limited distinction: only very minor distinctive qualities
11-15 points	Moderate distinction: Some distinctive qualities, but no major distinctive qualities
16-25 points	Exceptional distinction: possesses many qualities different from or superior to cultivars in commerce, or possesses major distinctive qualities

10 points - Color faults: murky, dingy, streaked, dull, faded, not clear, irregular marking

1. In this section, there are no faults or merits for the actual color of the flower, only its characteristics and how the color is displayed.
2. The actual color of a flower is a factor in assessing distinction and should be evaluated **ONLY** on the Seedling Distinction Checklist

(suggested deductions are 0.5-1 each, depending on severity)

10 points - Form faults: malformation or uneven spacing of petals or sepals, inconsistent shape of segments.

1. Uneven spacing and inconsistency of segment shape may **NOT** be faults in informal, unusual form, or multiform cultivars.
- (Suggested deductions are 1 point each or more, depending on severity)

10 points - Texture faults: dull, lifeless, coarse, slick, unevenly ribbed, lacking luster

(Suggested deductions are 1 point each or more, depending on severity)

10 points - Substance faults: tissue thinning, wilting, browning or melting on segment edges, appearing limp

(Suggested deductions are 1-2 points each or more, depending on severity)

0 points - There are no points awarded for size in seedlings, except as it pertains to distinction. See the Seedling Distinction Checklist for awarding points for size

10 points - Scape height and strength faults: too short or too tall, weak, limp, crooked, not proportionate to flower size, fasciated (having the appearance of two or more scapes fused together and growing as one)

(Suggested deductions are 2 or more points, depending on severity)

10 points - Buds: scant or crowded, not well spaced (the buds will not let the flowers open to their best advantage).

(Suggested deductions are 2 or more points, depending on severity)

10 points - Branching: crowded, unbalanced or not well-spaced, not well-branched, scant or totally inadequate.

(Suggested deductions are 2 or more points, depending on severity)

5 points - Condition and Grooming: Faults which detract from the overall attractiveness of the exhibit include the following: insect damage; presence of resident insects; seed pods, spent or faded flowers; spray residue, dust, or dirt on segments or scape; brown on bracts or bloom scars; proliferations (only if they detract from the overall balance of the scape); water spots; scarred scape; tears, cracks, or breaks in segments; broken or malformed anthers and pistil; removed anthers or pollen; and crooked scapes.

Artificial coloring used to hide blemishes will result in the entry being disqualified from the show. Contact the Classification chair immediately

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