

THE QUEENSLAND COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION
STATE KNITTING AND CROCHET COMMITTEE
HINTS FOR JUDGES AND COMPETITORS

These Hints should be retained branch Convenors, Division Convenors. They should be given to the Judges prior to Judging Day.

1. Evenness of tension is most important, as is the neatness of seams, Flat seams are preferred especially in finer wools and baby cloths. All seams should be firm but not tight. Some "GIVE" is essential.
2. No knots should be present Check that all Join are at the end of the row or that the yarn be splice. Check all wool ends Wool ends are cut diagonal, and should be as neat and as invisible a possible when sewn in.
3. Check that Stripes and patterns must be exactly, and each stripe joined with its own colour.
4. Baby cloths must have flat seams. Bonnets must not be pointed and should not have a hole at the centre top. Use twists or Crochet ties using the same wool, or matching ribbon may be used (ie) the same ribbon for Jacket and Bonnet and a narrow version of the same ribbon used for booties. DO NOT USE A MIXTURE. Booties must be exactly the same size. Jacket sleeves must be in proportion to the size of the garment.
5. KNEE RUGS DO NOT HAVE FRINGES OR TASSLES. If stated square they must measure square.
6. It is realized that all garments are made to be worn by someone, so should a garment be an unusual shape, it is advisable to attach a label saying, "made specially to fit" and add the measurements, otherwise it may be judged as being out of proportion.
7. Make sure Toys and Rugs are the measurements stated and not larger as you will lose points.
8. Definitions: -
 - (1) GARMENT is worn (Shawls and Stoles included)
 - (2) ARTICLE is NOT worn.
 - (3) ENTRY can be either of above
9. Judges should be conscious of ensuring bias regarding the colour, style and stitches used to sways any decision.
10. Provide feedback during the process to the convenor to forward to the branch or division for future information

