

...for taking time out from your busy day to help the Central Okanagan Photographic Society members better understand their craft as photographers.

GUIDELINES FOR JUDGES

Our judging system uses three judges scoring from 1 to 10 points each (maximum total - 30). This system provides a wide scope for honest & accurate evaluation of each photo.

1, 2, 3	Extremely poor to poor, with serious faults
4 or 5	Fair, possibly minor faults
6 or 7	Average to good
8	Excellent
9 or 10	Exceptional, outstanding

The 'point system' is considered with the following basic guide. . .

TECHNICAL QUALITY

- Is the image sharp? If not, is it intentionally soft and successful?
- Is it too light, too dark or just right?
- Is it free of scratches, dust spots, stains, lens flare, etc
- Does it have neutral colours or a strange colour cast?

COMPOSITION

- · Is the image aligned correctly or is it crooked?
- Is the arrangement of the visual elements effective?
- Is there a strong centre of interest or pattern/design?
- Is the lighting: dramatic, delicate or moody, and successful?

EMOTIONAL APPEAL

- Does it grab and keep your attention?
- Does it excite your imagination, or show the subject in a new and creative manner?