

PORTLAND REGIONAL GEM AND MINERAL SHOW ASSOCIATION

MINI NOVICE MINERALS COMPETITION

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PURPOSE: To allow Mineral Collectors to enter into competition with a minimum number of specimens which will promote competitive mineral collecting and preparation.

1. All Exhibitors shall be Novice, that means having never won the top award (Blue Ribbon) in any Mineral Competition in the Portland Regional or at any other show.
2. All Mineral Categories must be chosen from the AFMS Rules Book. All judging will be based upon the current edition of the AFMS Rules Book, With the exception of the number of specimens. (see Rule #4 below)
3. The following Categories are out of class: Micro Mount Minerals BM-1 Thru BM11-xy. All Personally Collected Minerals BF-1 Thru BF-5.
4. The number of specimens will be a minimum of six (6) and a maximum of ten (10), in any given category to illustrate a good representation and variety.
5. All entries shall be delivered, set up and picked up after the show by the exhibitor. There will be no mail-in entries or proxy entries.
6. The Exhibit Chairman will provide a standard 24" x 24" x 48" lined, lighted display case to hold all specimen exhibits. (two (2) per case) The exhibitor will prepare his or her on a lined (covered) styrofoam riser with all specimens mounted thereon, cut to a 20 x 20 inch square area. Showmanship will be judged from this area.
7. The Exhibits Chairman will provide an appropriate trophy for the Mini Novice Mineral class.
8. All entries will be judged on the following basis:
 - 15% - Labeling
 - 15% - Showmanship
 - 65% - Quality
 - 5% - Rarity
9. Entries will be judged by Qualified judges using these rules and the latest AFMS listings, with the judges decision being final.