



Cake International Junior 1-3 November 2024

Show opening times:

Friday: 0930 – 1700, Saturday: 0930 – 1700, and Sunday: 0930 - 1630

This document contains the Rules and Regulations, and the Competition Schedule.

You must read the Rules and Regulations thoroughly as well as the Competition Schedule.

We would like to remind you that your exhibit **must not** be shown on social media or in any previous/simultaneous/future competitions prior to judging.

RULES & REGULATIONS:

Please be aware that these rules are subject to change after the schedule release, you are advised to refer to our website for up-to-date changes and subscribe to our newsletter.

Throughout the rules and regulations, and competition schedule, we refer to 'exhibits'. For clarification of exhibit, we mean your cake, your Junior exhibit, your competition entry, your exhibit.

General Rules and information:

- a) Your competition entry gives you free entry to the show for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. You only receive the free entry if you exhibit your competition piece at the show. If you are not able to deliver your sugarcraft exhibit, **do not** attempt to collect your competitor badge.
- b) Entry to the competition and/or individual categories may close earlier than stated due to limited spaces at the show. Please remember to check the website frequently for updates.
- c) Exhibits **must** be the genuine, unaided work of the individual who has entered. If it is proven the individual did not complete the exhibit unaided, they will be disqualified. **This includes fixing any damage during transit at the repair stations.**
- d) Exhibits **must not** be entered into any other competition worldwide at shows or online prior to judging (including Cake International). If proven, the exhibit will be disqualified. This applies to previous competitions, simultaneous competitions or future competitions prior to judging.
- e) Exhibits **must not** be shown on any social media sites until the results are announced on our website. If proven, the exhibit will be disqualified.
- f) Exhibits that do not comply with the schedule will be marked as NTS/Not To Schedule/Disqualified. Exhibits entered into incorrect classes and therefore Not To Schedule will be disqualified and will not be moved into the correct category.



g) If your exhibit has writing or inscription in a language other than English then a full translation must be provided to the organisers noting the competition number it relates to. This **must** be handed to a member of the ICHF team at exhibit check-in BEFORE your piece is placed in the competition area. The organiser reserves the right to remove any entries that contain inappropriate language or that will cause offence. Your exhibit will still be judged in line with the competition schedule but may not be displayed in the cake competition area.

h) If an exhibit is removed from the competition display area for whatever reason the organisers/judges deem fit (including complaints or deemed offensive), this is not the same as being disqualified, you will only receive a Not To Schedule card if you are disqualified. All entries will receive certificates, and any associated prize money, if they are awarded by the judges.

i) Queries/questions must be submitted to questions@ichf.co.uk before 18th September 2024. No queries will be answered after this date. Queries/questions should only relate to the rules. You **must not under any circumstances** contact any of our individual judges directly including our Head Judge.

Competition Rules - these must be read in conjunction with individual category schedules.

These rules apply to ALL categories unless otherwise stated in the individual schedules.

- For categories where dummies are permitted, the word cake in the below rules, and in the schedule, indicates the cake or dummy you are using. Where dummies are used, you **must not** leave any part of the dummy exposed.

i) The area stated in the schedule is for the entire exhibit. The exhibit **must not** exceed the allowed area. If your display is bigger than the allowed space it will be disqualified. It can, however, be smaller.

ii) The entire exhibit **must** fit within the allowed area as stated in your category. If your exhibit overhangs the cake board but stays within the maximum allowed area, marks may be deducted; if your exhibit overhangs the cake board and exceeds the maximum allowed area it will be NTS/disqualified. Everything in your display **must** fit within the allowed area including the board and any notes you are providing. If there is a height restriction, unless otherwise noted in an individual schedule, this is measured from table level.

iii) Bare wires are not permitted - When wires are used in sugar flowers, all wires **must** be taped. Wires used as internal support in decorations (where permitted) **must** be completely covered in an edible medium. Marks will be deducted for wires left bare.

iv) When use of wires is permitted, wires **must not** directly penetrate the cake, they **must** be inserted into a posy pick. Any wire penetrating directly into a cake will be deemed not to schedule (NTS). Where use of cocktail sticks is permitted, cocktail sticks **must not** penetrate the cake, they **must** be inserted into a posy pick.



v) Non-edible ribbon is only permitted on your base board not the exhibit itself unless specified in the category.

vi) You **must** use a suitable base, board or stand to display your exhibit, exhibits **must** not be placed directly on to the table. **A cake card alone is not sufficient.** If you choose to use a board, you **must** choose a baseboard of an appropriate size and depth for the size of your entry.

Should a cake board be used it **must** be fully coated in an edible medium, and the edges of the cake board **must** be covered with either an edible medium or with non-edible ribbon. If you are using a stepped board, you **must** only cover the edge of the bottom board with ribbon. The edge of the upper board **must** be covered in an edible medium. If you do not do any of this, you will be **heavily marked down.**

Tips

- *Make sure your work is clean.*
- *If you have damaged your piece during transportation, you may request a “Damaged in Transit” card from the registration desk. You may note the damage on the card if you wish. (Please note this may not be taken into consideration by the judges as transportation to the competition is your responsibility and is considered part of the competition process.)*
- *Remember your exhibit will be viewed from every angle.*
- *It is better to ask a question rather than risk NTS or disqualification.*



Entry Process

Complete a form for EACH ENTRY at www.cakeinternational.co.uk.

Early Entry £10 - closes 1600hrs UK time 8th September 2024

Late Entry £14 closes UK time 6th October 2024

There are no refunds or changes of categories. Entries cannot be 'carried over'.

Should the unlikely event happen, and the show is cancelled, you will be given the option of transferring your competition entry to the next available show.

Delivery of Exhibits

Competition exhibits **must** be delivered to Hall 17 door 17.4 from 0700 until 0900 UK time on Friday 1st November 2024. If arriving on foot you may enter through the main entrance to Hall 17.

Late entries will not be accepted unless in exceptional circumstances.

On arrival, show your entry acknowledgment. You will be given a competitor badge and instructions on how to place your exhibit(s). Competitors only become eligible to receive their badges on delivery of their exhibit(s).

Once you have placed your exhibit(s) on the competition table/s you **must** leave the hall and re-enter at show opening time through the public entrance.

Competitor badges **must** be worn at all times, including Prize Giving.

- Children under 16 are not permitted in the registration/set up area unless they are competitors.
- Competitors may have one helper in the set-up area. Helpers will need to purchase a ticket to visit the show.
- Once you have placed your exhibit(s) you **must** leave the hall until the show opens.
- A repair area will be available to mend damage incurred in transit. You must bring your own repair kit.
Repairs must only be made by the competitor.
- Travelling boxes **must** be removed after delivery and brought back for collection. There are no storage facilities.

Exhibit labels.

Three numbered labels will be issued per exhibit. Stick one to your exhibit so that it is visible to the judges, one to the underside of the base for security purposes and the final one on the back of your competitors Badge.



Displaying Exhibits

You **must** unpack and, if needed, repair your exhibit **only** at the prep tables in the registration area before taking your entry to the competition tables. Unpacking at the competition tables is **not permitted** as there is a risk of damaging other exhibits.

You **must** place your exhibit on the competition tables **only** where indicated by the class and exhibit number.

- Please do not place products of any type near your exhibit. They will be automatically disposed of.
- You may leave a brief note listing products used or details about your exhibit e.g. the concept or inspiration (one or two sentences only). The note **must** be one side only and placed in front of your exhibit and **must** fit within your allocated area. **Do NOT include your name or any reference to you, the competitor.** Some categories must leave specific details, see your relevant category for requirements.
- You **must not** leave names or personal details next to your exhibit before judging.
- The organisers/judges reserve the right to move exhibits as necessary.

Results

Judging takes place on Friday 1st November 2024.

Results will be available online Saturday 2nd November 2024 from 1400hrs UK time at www.cakeinternational.co.uk with placements announced at Prize Giving on Sunday 3rd November 2024 publicised online from 1400hrs UK time.

Not To Schedule/Disqualified and No awards will not be shown on the results website.

Score sheets / Feedback.

Feedback sheets will be available from the **Competition Office** from 1400hrs on Saturday, until close of show on Sunday, except during prize giving when the office will be closed.

There is no judges' face to face feedback after the awarding unless there is an error with the calculation of your marks and/or an error with the rules. We will not offer any feedback. If there is a disagreement with the award grading, the judges' decision is final.

Removal of Exhibits

Exhibits may only be removed from 1630hrs UK time Sunday 3rd November 2024. You will be asked to leave the competition area shortly before close of show, in order to ensure all members of the public have also left, you will then be allowed back in to collect your exhibit. Please be aware of this when



organising your travel plans and please do not request to remove your exhibit earlier than stated time. The organisers reserve the right to remove and destroy any exhibit not taken by 1730hrs UK time on Sunday 3rd November 2024.

Awards

Gold, Silver, Bronze or Merit may be awarded. Each category may have 1st, 2nd, or 3rd awarded. Where the highest award in a category is Bronze, no 1st, 2nd, or 3rd places will be awarded. Best in Show is chosen by the Judges from the category 1st placings.

Junior Best in Show prize - a trophy and £300 Sponsored by Dummies Direct

Not all entries are guaranteed an award.

Prize Giving 1400hrs UK time on Sunday 3rd November 2024 in the Cake International Theatre.

Trophies and First, Second and Third prize only certificates will be presented. Cash prizes (if applicable) must be signed for and collected from the Competition Office.

Certificate collection

We will email your certificate to you. Please allow up to 28 days to receive these.

Complaints/Appeals Procedures

Any complaints must be emailed to melanieu@ichf.co.uk by 14th November 2024. Judge's decision is final, no judging results will be discussed after the show closes unless there is an error in calculation and/or an error with the rules. Judges will not re-mark any disagreement with grading of awards. Please allow a minimum of 28 days for complaints to be processed from the 14th of November 2024. We **aim** to answer all complaints/appeals by 11 December 2024. You **must** include your class entry number in any correspondence.

Security

Whilst reasonable care will be taken with the security of the exhibits, the organisers will not be responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits, equipment or personal effects. All entries are displayed in the competition area at the competitor's own risk.

Intellectual Property Rights

By entering Cake International **BE AWARE** that photographs or copies may be taken by any person or visitor and realise that your designs/work may be reproduced but you will not hold ICHF Events or its employees liable in any way should this happen.



Behaviour and conduct of competitors.

We expect everyone to act in a respectful manner before during and after the cake competition – the following is an example of behaviour that will not be tolerated and could result in the following action being taken:

- Removed from the show with no re-entry or refund.
- Banned from attending Cake International or entering the competition for a minimum of 2 years.

All threats towards any members of the Cake International team including the judges or other participants at the show will be referred to the police.

1. Any competitor who interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of the judging process or the competition
2. Aggressive behaviour, foul language or shouting will not be tolerated.
3. All defamatory, offensive, or derogatory comments, either verbal or written (including emails, text/voicemail/phone messages, social media or other written communication) to a member of the judging team or a member of ICHF Events.
4. If you damage or interfere with another cake competition exhibit.

Copyright

You may take inspiration from movies, books, fashion etc, but we encourage you to use your own creativity, you will lose marks for lack of originality.

Photographs

Photographs of competition pieces may be used online by ICHF Events or printed in future relevant publications as agreed with ICHF management team.

By entering Cake International you agree to abide by the rules and regulations herein.



Cake International Junior competition 2024

Competition Schedule

W. Restricted to young people 9 years and under

W. "Under The Sea"

The cake **must** be based on a 20cms coated finished round or square cake or a dummy round or square cake.

1. Cake or cake dummies are permitted. You will be awarded the same marks if you use cake or cake dummy.

2 The entire exhibit **must not** exceed 35cm x 35cm square, there is no height restriction. This is the only space allocated to you on the competition table. Corn silk, noodles and pasta and artificial decoration is **not permitted** on the cake. Internal supports are allowed.

3. Your cake or cake dummy **must** be coated in sugarpaste, royal icing, buttercream or chocolate only.

4. You are **not allowed** to use non-edible ribbon on the cake

5. You **must** display your cake on a board, The cake board **must** be completely covered with an edible medium and edged with non-edible ribbon or you can cover the edges of the board with an edible medium.

6. The rules and regulations/competition rules **must** be adhered to along with the rules in this category schedule.

HINTS & TIPS

- Place your cake or dummy cake on a cake board that is at least 4cm bigger than your cake. This must also be completely covered with icing and edged with ribbon.



X Restricted to young people between 10 and 16 years of age.

X. CREATE A SINGLE TIER CAKE WITH A THEME OF "MY FAVOURITE THING"

We want you to create a single tiered cake with the theme of My Favourite Thing.

For example, this can be anything you really love. Use your imagination and bring your favourite thing to Life in Sugar Craft.

20cms coated finished single tiered cake to competitors' choice.

RULES

1. The cake **must** be based on a 20cms coated finished round or square cake or a dummy round or square cake
2. Cake or cake dummies **are permitted**. You will be awarded the same marks if you use cake or cake dummy.
- 3 Your cake or cake dummy **must** be coated in sugarpaste, royal icing, buttercream or chocolate only.
4. The entire exhibit **must not** exceed a 35cm x 35cm square and **must not** exceed 40cms in height. This is the only space allocated to you on the competition table.
5. Corn silk, noodles and pasta is not permitted on the sugarcraft exhibit • Internal supports are allowed.
6. No artificial decorations, you are **not allowed** to use non-edible ribbon on the cake
7. You **must** display your cake on a board
8. The cake board **must** be completely covered with an edible medium and edged with non-edible ribbon or you can cover the edges of the board with an edible medium.
9. The Title of your Favourite Thing **must** be placed in an envelope beside your exhibit.
10. The rules and regulations/competition rules **must** be adhered to along with the rules in this category schedule.

HINTS & TIPS

- Place your cake or dummy cake on a cake board that is at least 4cm bigger than your cake. This must also be completely covered with icing and edged with ribbon.





Y. DISPLAY OF JUNIOR CUPCAKES

Restricted to young people between 10 and 16 years of age.

Six different, individual cupcakes with a unifying theme of your own choice

RULES

1. 'Cupcakes' are small cakes baked in standard paper or foil cupcake cases, to serve one person. They are usually baked in cupcake or muffin tins/pans. You may use dummy cupcakes for ease of transport or 100% edible cupcakes using cake. Cupcake wraps are permitted.

2. **Each decorated cupcake has a height restriction** of a maximum of 10cm from the base of the cupcake to the top of the decoration.

3. The display **must** have a unifying/common theme (e.g. 'Christmas' or 'makeup') but each individual cupcake **must** be different (non-identical).

4. The exhibit **must** be displayed on a suitable base to show off the exhibit to its best. Should a cake board be used it **must** be covered with an edible medium, the edges of the cake board **must** be covered with either an edible medium or with non-edible ribbon. If you do not do any of this, marks will be deducted for overall presentation. (please refer to rules and regulations/competition rules/viii)

5. Additional separate decoration covered in an edible medium and containing internal supports is permitted to enhance your cupcakes display. All decoration on the cupcakes must be 100% edible and **must not** contain wires or internal supports.

6. Cocktail sticks are permitted only in the **additional** board decoration. You **must not** use cocktail sticks in any part of the cupcake or cupcake decoration.

7. The entire exhibit **must** fit within 30cm x 30cm square. This is the only space allocated to you on the competition table.

8. The rules and regulations/competition rules **must** be adhered to along with the rules in this category schedule.

HINTS AND TIPS

Toppers that are excessive in size or height compared with the cupcake itself will not look balanced. You can use dummy cupcakes but may find it easier to bake your own in advance and leave them uncovered to dry out. The cupcakes are not tasted.

We allow additional separate decoration to enhance the display of your cupcakes, but the majority of your marks are for the creation of your cupcakes.