

Judges Training – Arils and Arilbreds

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Name _____

Date _____

Address _____

Region _____

Judge Status: _____

Fill in the blank:

1. The name “aril” refers to _____ and _____ species and hybrids involving these two species.
2. What are the two American Iris Society (AIS) medals awarded to Aril and Arilbred Irises?
Arils and Arilbreds with 1/2 or more aril complement _____
Arilbreds with less than 1/2 aril complement _____
3. Linear beards and beards on standards as well as the falls is unique to the _____ species.
4. In order to be considered an arilbred an iris must exhibit at least _____ aril complement and a minimum of _____ aril characteristics.

True or false:

5. ___ Recurving falls on Arilbreds is a serious defect and should be severely penalized.
6. ___ Varieties of over 1/4 aril content typically have no branching whatsoever.
7. ___ Regelias are more hardy and tolerant to moisture than the oncocylii
8. ___ In garden judging both Arils and Arilbreds the flower in all of its aspects should receive approximately 2/3 of the total evaluation credit and the plant and stalk 1/3.
9. ___ Arilbred height descriptions, (ABD, ABM ABT) are currently used for registration purposes.
10. ___ In exhibition judging the judge should consider the accomplishment and skill of the grower required in close selection for higher awards.
11. ___ Aril stems should be almost straight, of typical height for the variety, and of adequate strength and rigidity to support the flower.
12. ___ The majority of modern arilbreds are regeliabreds.
13. ___ Several of the aril characteristics you may find on an arilbred are, well recurved falls, a definable signal spot at the end of the beard and broadly domed and reflexed standards.
14. ___ In exhibition judging, both aril and arilbred irises share the same scale of points.
15. ___ Typical flower form is not reached until 8 to 24 hours after opening.