Appendix A: PCR Contest Forms.

The PCR Contest Manager is responsible for maintaining and supplying PCR contest forms and may change forms or introduce new forms as needed.

- Model Contest Cover Sheet
- Model Contest Entry Form Open, Kit, & Novice
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- Arts and Crafts Entry Form
- Arts and Crafts Judges Score Sheet



PCR Model Contest Entry Form Cover Sheet

Model Description:		
Category (check one)	Contest (check one)	
☐Steam Locomotive	□Open	Scale: $\Box Z \Box N \Box TT \Box HO \Box S$
□Diesel & Other	□Kit	□O □G□Other
□Passenger Car	□Novice	RR Name
□Freight Car	□Youth 13 to 17	Kit Mfgr
□Caboose	□Youth 12 & U	
☐Maintenance of Way	□Non-Judged	
□Structure		
□Display		
☐Traction and Self-Propel	led Cars	
□ Special Contest	- Cwi	
eligible for judging, and or attached to the entry form. the model The model shall be remove valid claim form must be purely continued in the process of th	r Sheet and Entry Form for ally that work should be des Supplemental information and from the contest room we bresented to pick up each end in good standing of the NN est Directory. I further affire that only this work will be	each model entered. Only the work you have done is scribed on the Entry Form. Additional pages may be a for the optional use of the judges may be placed with within the period set by the Contest Chairman. A signed, ntry. MRA and meet all applicable Entry Requirements in rm that all work described on the Entry Form was a considered during judging. I also affirm that I have not
won First Place in any NMF I understand that neither PC		responsibility for loss or damage to contest entries.
Name		Region
Address		Division
CityS	stateZip	
Phone Number ()	S	ignature
Email address (optional)		
Entrant's Name_	Model Contest C	Claim Form Entry #
Signature required for entry pick	-up:	Location
INULE > Pick-up time		Location

PCR Model Contest Entry Form

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DESCRIPTION	:			CATEGORY		
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obtain full credit in each	section. Attach an	d refer to additional	e all work accomplished unde pages as needed. List all sup test official will assign and fill i	plementary materials di		Score Judges Only
1. CONSTRUCTION	: Proper handling	of materials, appl	ied labor, skill, and craftsm	anship.	Max 40 pts	
PLANS	MATERIALS	BONDING	METHODS	DETAILS	•	
□Designed □Prototype	□Brass □Wood	□Solder □Cement	□Cut & fit basic shapes □Kit or kitbash	□Scratchbuilt □Commercial		
□Commercial	□Styrene	ПЕроху	☐ Photoetched	☐Cast from patterns		
☐Construction Article	□Other		☐Cast from patterns	□Other (explain)		
2. DETAIL: Refineme	ent , the amount o	of subordinate deta	ail added, and the complex	xity of the model	Max 20 pts	
				•	•	
3. CONFORMITY: Ef	ffort taken to achie	eve prototype prac	ctice and appearance		Max 25 pts	
4. FINISH AND LET	FERING: General	appearance and	proper application of finish	and lettering	Max 25 pts	
□Airbrush or spray □	∃Hand painted □	Hand striped □D	ecal striped Decal lette	ring Dry transfers	☐ Other (explain)	
5. SCRATCH BUILD	ING: All parts fab	ricated from basic	materials.		Max 15 pts	
						,
TABULATED BY:		_ VERIFIED BY:	:	125	TOTAL SCORE POINTS MAXIMUM	

PCR Model Contest Youth Entry Form

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DESCRIPTIO	N			_CATEGORY		
				YOUTH □ 12 & U	NDER	PCR will fill in.
	Check the boxes and fill in the ed to tell the judges what you					Score Judges
plans, photos, or m	nagazine articles to show the	e judges how yo	u built the model a	and what the prototype I	ooked like.	Only
	N : How did you build the me				Max 40 pts	
Starting Point			<u>M</u> ethods	Bonding	Details	
□ Kit	☐ Kit plans	☐ Plastic		d parts 🔲 Plastic glu		
Kit Brand	☐ Mag. Article	□ Wood	☐ Swapped		•	
	☐ Photos	☐ Metal		t pieces 🔲 White glu		
☐ Kitbashed	☐ Prototype Plans	☐ Styrene	☐ Cast part		☐ Made	
☐ Scratchbuilt Other Info:	☐ Commercial plans	☐ Wire			☐ Other	
Other into.						
						
2. DETAIL: What r	new parts or extra details did	I you add to the	basic model?		Max 20 pts	
Sides	Ends Roo	of U	Inderbody	Interior	Other Details	
·	·					•
						
3. CONFORMITY	What did you do to make th	e model more lil	ke an actual speci	fic car_structure_etc?	Max 25 pts	1
	Timat ara you do to mano ar	<u> </u>	an detail open	, ,	ax =c ptc	
☐ Added Detail	☐ Changed Detail ☐ M	oved Parts [☐ Changed Part	ts 🛘 Changed Basic	c Model ☐ Othe	r?
4. FINISH AND LE	TTERING: How did you pai	nt and letter the	model?		Max 25 pts	
☐ Painting	☐ Striping	☐ Lett	-	☐ Weathering	□ Other	
☐ Pre-painted k			already lettered			
☐ Touched up p	•		dded lettering	☐ Glossy "new" m		
☐ Painted some	•		nanged lettering	•	<u> </u>	
☐ Hand painted	•	•		☐ Hand weathered		
☐ Airbrushed m	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		ew decals	☐ Chalk weatheri	•	
☐ Stained wood	☐ Other	LI Ne	ew Dry Transfers	s Airbrush weath	ering \square	
5 SCDATCH BIIII	_DING: What did you make	from basic mate	rials like wood sh	anes styrene or wire?	Max 15 pts	
5. SCRATCH BUIL	DING. What did you make	ITOTT DASIC ITIALE	ilais like wood Sile	apes, styrene, or wire?	wax 15 pts	
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TABULATED BY:	VERIFIE	D BY:			OINTS MAXIMUM	



PCR PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Name			NMRA #	
ADDRESS				
City		State	ZIP	
Email address (d	optional)			
 Model Subjet Prototype St Display Prin 	ubject – Black & White t (not judged)	4. 5. 6. 6	otype subjects – Color Trains in Action Tracks & Structures Other (General) Subjects	shio forms
List all entries be	y of PCR contest rules and category elow	delimitions ap	PCR will fill	
Category	Title or desc	cription of en	try	Entry #
CERTIFICATION: been awarded Fin	I affirm that all photographs subm	itted were cor PCR Region	nposed and taken by me ar al contests. I further stipulat	nd have not e that I am
eligible to particip	ate in this contest according to cur winning entries in official publication	rrent NMRA F	PCR rules. I hereby grant pe	
			as my proxy to enter and [place]	
	PHOTO CONTE	ST CLAIM F	ORM	
En	trant's name		-	
	Entry # () () () ()	() ()	
NOTE > Pick-	up time	Le	ocation	

SUMMARY OF RULES FOR ENTRY (PRINT CONTEST)

- 1. The entrant must be a member of the PCR in good standing or a member of the NMRA residing outside the boundaries of PCR, and may not enter any category for which he/she is a contest judge. Joint entries are not permitted.
- 2. Contest entries shall be entered by the attending member or an authorized proxy. Entries must be claimed at the time specified by the host contest chairperson.
- 3. Exposure of the original negative or transparency must have been made by the entrant personally. Images that have won First Place or higher in any NMRA National or Regional contest may not be entered.
- 4. An entry form shall be completed by the entrant (or proxy) listing all entries by category on said form.
- 5. No entrant can enter more than six (6) entries in total. A maximum of three (3) entries may be made in an individual category.
- 6. Each print must be at least 5x7 inches and no larger than 8x12 inches and must be mounted on a rigid mounting board for ease of display. Said mounting board shall be no smaller than 11x14 inches and no larger than 12x16 inches.
- 7. Any person deriving more than 50% of their income from employment as a professional photographer is excluded from entering the contest.
- Entries in Category 7 (Display) may exceed the limitations for size of print and mounting expressed in item #6 (above). No framed pictures or pictures mounted under glass are permitted.

CATEGORY DEFINITIONS

Category

- 1. Black and white print of any model railroad subject.
- 2. Color print of any model railroad subject.
- 3. Black and white print of prototype railroad subject.
- 4. Color print of available-light picture of prototype trains or rolling equipment in motion.
- 5. Color print of available-light picture of prototype track arrangements, stations, bridges, signals or other structures appurtenant to railroading.
- 6. Color print of prototype railroad-related subjects not qualifying under categories 4 and 5 above. These may be (but are not limited to):

Pictures of railroad people
Isolated detail
Static pictures of railroad equipment
Flash assisted pictures
Night scenes
Double exposures
Composite pictures
Multiple images
Pictures using special effects attachments



Photo Contest Judges and Participants Guide

A. Purpose

One of the many attractions of a PCR meet are the railroad photographs on display. To aid judges in rewarding photographic excellence in portraying model and prototype railroading, this guide expands upon the PCR Contest Directory (Section IV). This guide may also be used by entrants.

B. Entries

Size:

Minimum and maximum sizes shown in the rules apply to square cornered single images. Other shapes (i.e. oval) shall be eligible for entry if their shortest dimension meets or exceeds the minimum and their longest dimension meets, or is less than the maximum specified in the rules.

Multiple images (i.e. two or more photos mounted on one board) shall be eligible for entry if: 1) at least one of the images meets the minimum and maximum size requirements, and 2) the total area of all the images on the board does not exceed the area of the maximum dimensions specified in the rules (80 sq. in.). As long as the two conditions above are met, there is no minimum size requirement for additional images on the mount. Images may overlap one another, but only the dimensions or area visible to the judges shall determine eligibility.

Unusual situations:

Creativity is encouraged but not to the point that it departs from being railroad related, is bizarre or creates unfair competition. The following examples should determine entry eligibility. If in doubt, request a decision from the Photo Event Chairperson.

Sepia tone – enter in black and white category.

Colored black and white (i.e. hand tinted) – must be entered in color category.

Multiple exposures (either in camera or darkroom) - eligible.

Three-dimensional images (i.e. print(s) mounted so that the front of an image is more than 1/8 inch from back of the mount) – Not eligible.

Multiple layers of one or more film images sandwiched with reflective backing – eligible.

Retouched images – eligible if majority of image is photographic.

Xerography or graphic arts images (i.e. color Xerox, black & white high contrast "line shot", posterization) – eligible if a majority of the image is created by action of light on a sensitized surface.

C. Judging

Entries selected for awards should exhibit photographic excellence in portraying model or prototype railroading. It is up to each judge to determine what qualities constitute that excellence. It is entirely subjective: however, each judge must be impartial in evaluating the entries. Bias regarding photo technique, road name, type of motive power and equipment etc. must not be a part of the judging. It is the overall impression of the entry that should be considered.

D. Procedure

- 1. Entrants complete the appropriate spaces on the entry form and submit the form with entries to the contest clerk. Clerk assigns entry number using entry log and labels each entry with its assigned number and places entries on display. The clerk shall not accept entries that do not meet the contest rules.
- 2. At the designated time when the contest is closed for further entries, the judges (three in number, or five if available but not four) assemble with the contest chairperson in the display area. The contest chairperson will give appropriate instructions to the judges. Then, the judges working individually, and without conferring, will review the displayed entries and record their choices for first, second and third places in each category on their individual work sheets. The work sheets will then be submitted to the chairperson.
- 3. The contest chairperson will list by category all entries shown on the work sheets. These entries are considered to be in the judging finals. In all situations in which the work sheets indicate a judging consensus (e.g. all judges vote for the same entry for a designated award), the award may be made at this step in the judging process. In all categories in which a

- judging consensus is not indicated, the judging will proceed to the next step.
- 4. For each category, the clerk will display each entry separately and the judges will indicate by a secret "yes" or "no" vote whether the entry should be retained or eliminated. Each entry receiving at least two "yes" votes (three, if there are five judges) will be retained. If too many entries still remain at the end of this process in the opinion of the contest chairperson, it may be repeated for further elimination.
- 5. The remaining entries from step 4 will now be displayed adjacently. The judges, as an open panel, shall reach agreement on first, second, third and honorable mention awards. ALTERNATE METHOD: In the event of a very low number of entries in the category, the contest chairperson may eliminate step 4 and allow the judges to go directly to step 5.
- 6. Judges are not required to make an award. In the event that the judges do not make an award (e.g. only one entry in category), the contest chairperson may make the award with concurrence of the PCR contest chairperson.
- 7. Judges are requested, but not required, to enter comments on each entry judges sheet.
- **8.** Print entries will be available for viewing following judging with award winners clearly marked.
- **9.** Entrants, or their proxy, will retrieve their entries. Receipts must be shown.



PCR Portable Layout/Module Contest Cover Sheet

Entry No._______(PCR will assign entry number)

Entrant(s)	Name(s):						
	Address:						
	City:						
	State: Zip Code:						
	Phone Number:						
	Email address(es) (optional)						
Category (ch	eck one) □Individual □Group						
Module Star	ndards Used, If Any:						
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Comploying Entry F	: (For full details, see the PCR Contest Directory) ete a separate Cover Sheet and Entry Form for each entry. Only the work of the entrant(s) is eligible for g, and only that work should be described on the Entry Form. Additional pages may be attached to the Form. Supplemental information for the optional use of the judges may be placed with the entry. try shall be removed from the contest room within the period set by the Contest Chairman. A signed, valid form must be presented to pick up each entry.						
Requirer Form wa	that the entrant(s) is(are) a member(s) in good standing of the NMRA and meet all applicable Entry ments in Section III of the PCR Contest Directory. I further affirm that all work described on the Entry as performed by the entrant(s), and agree that only this work will be considered during judging. I also that this entry has not won First Place in any NMRA National or PCR Regional contest.						
I underst	and that neither PCR nor NMRA assume any responsibility for loss or damage to contest entries.						
Region	DivisionNMRA No						
	Signature						
Entrant's Name	Portable Layout/Module Contest Claim Form Entry #						
	red for entry pick-up:						
NOTE > Picl							

PCR Portable Layout/Module Contest Entry Form

	ENTRY
ENTRY: DINDIVIDUAL DGROUP A PCR Model Contest official will assign and fill in the Entry Number.	#
INSTRUCTIONS:	Score
1. Describe the module in detail. 2. Check items that apply and add any other pertinent data	Judges Only
1. CONSTRUCTION: Max 35 pts	
a. Percentage of kit built plastic structures% c. Percentage of cross-kitted structures%	
b. Percentage of kit built craftsman type structures% d. Percentage of scratchbuilt structures% e. Scenery other than above. Describe in detail techniques and materials used below.	
C. Occidery other than above. Becombe in detail techniques and materials asea solow.	<u> </u>
2. DETAIL: Max 20 pts	
Describe the complexity, difficulty, refinement, amount of subordinate parts. List commercial parts used. Point out extra	
detail.	
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3. CONFORMITY: Max 10 pts	
Give information as to prototype modeled or explain logic of design.	
4. ELECTRICAL: Max 10 pts	
Give details of electrical features beyond those required by module specs	
5. FINISH AND LETTERING: Max 20 pts	
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Type of Module_____

NMRA PCR PORTABLE LAYOUT/MODULE CONTEST RULES AND JUDGING GUIDELINES

	General C	ategories
	General C	
	Construction	
	Detail	
	Comformity	
	Electrical	
	Finish and Letterin	
	Scratchbuilding	
	Ingenuity	5 points
	Total Maximum Po	oints125 points
Note: <i>Up to 20 points may be deduc</i> determined by your layout coord		es not meet the specs for your type of module as your group.
Motive power and rolling stock plac	eed on the tracks on the m	nodule are not considered in the judging.
		if at least 90% of the work was done by an individual ork on the module, it is to be entered in the "Group"
		Achievement Program, their rules call for a section of uare feet for HO, or 24 square feet for N scale.
	Judging G	uidelines
Terrain. Construction; modeling; realistic natural and man-made f	-	roportion; selection and use of materials to create
Structures. Prototypical suitabilit display – as scenic effects, not as		ance in relation to the terrain and background of the
		l use of paint; backdrops; dioramic structures and/or foreground with background and horizon.
Lighting. Adequate and realistic	lighting effects for sign	nals, buildings, streets, and roads.
	oking, believeable, min	I feeling of "rightness," or "convincingness" of the niature representation of what might be a section of a e distance and space.
entry. If your module conforms t	to your group's specific	or layout coordinator for your module group before cations as to size, wiring, track placement, etc., no neet the specs, up to 20 points may be subtracted.
☐ This module conforms to	all our module spec	cs. Except for

PCR Portable Layout/Module Contest Rules and Judging Guidelines Revised for computer access on 29 February, 2000



PCR ARTS & CRAFT CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Na	me						
City	/			State_	ZIP		
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Ca	tegorie	es					
		ERAL	RAILROADIANA		NEEDLEWORK]	
	1.a K	it Built	2.a Kit Built		3.a Kit Built		
	1.b P	attern	2.b Pattern		3.b Pattern		
	1.c O	riginal	2.c Original		3.c Original		
•	Kit Bu	ilt: (comme	ercially available kit	; includ	es plans/instruct	tions and mate	rials)
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Ple	ase co	mplete one	copy of the Judge's	Score S	heet (without the	scores) for each	entry.
CE	RTIFIC	ATION: I affi	rm that all works subr	nitted we	re created by me a	and have not beer	n awarded
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part	icipate	in this conte	est according to currer	nt NMRA	PCR rules. I hereb	y grant permissio	n to publish
any	award-	-winning ent	ries in official publicati	ions of th	e NMRA and PCR		
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retrie	eve the a	above listed ent	eby authorize (name)tries in the PCR Arts & Cra	afts Contes	st at (place)	as my proxy on (d	late)





PCR ARTS & CRAFTS CONTEST JUDGES' SCORE SHEET

Description	Category
Describe your entry in detail. Add other information y	ou feel necessary
RRECT EXECUTION (Maximum 50 points) Describe in detail how your entry was made. Note an	Points Awarded _ ny special materials required or used:
FICULTY (Maximum 30 points)	Points Awarded
Describe the complexity of the entry. Note any special If Pattern or Kit, were any changes made? Was the panother? If a combination of Kit/Pattern/Original, % K	project adapted from one medium to
SHING (Maximum 25 points) Describe how the item was prepared for display/use	Points Awarded
	(type of materials, matting, etc
TNESS (Maximum 25 points)	Points Awarded
	Final Score

JUDGES' COMMENTS