

## Leicestershire Brass Band Association

# Annual Contest Rules

### **Leicestershire Brass Band Association Annual Contest Rules: All Sections**

1. The contest will be an own choice test piece (please advise the Secretary by 31st October at the latest of your chosen music).
2. The grading of bands will be in accordance with the appropriate regional committee of the National Brass Band Championships for the current year.
3. Entry fee: £140 (Non Member) Leicestershire Brass Band Association member bands: £105. Fees include 30 bandsman's tickets which must be shown on stage. All cheques to be made payable to LEICESTERSHIRE BRASS BAND ASSOCIATION (payee in full please, not abbreviated) \*\* If Bands wish to withdraw before the entry closing date, entries will be refunded. After this date, no refunds will be granted.
4. All registered players must be registered with Brass Band Players Ltd. The Registry print-out will be used and registration cards will be required on the day.
5. A maximum of 30 players plus percussionists will be allowed to compete.
6. A Band may borrow up to 4 (four) players. The borrowed players must be registered with a band of the same National grading or lower/ unregistered. Fourth Section Bands may also borrow players from a 3rd Section Band, but not to exceed the total of 4 allowed. Borrowed players must sign the signature form in red, and a letter of consent is required from the player's own Band plus their registration card.
7. The Contest will be held under closed adjudication.
8. At the request of Bands, all Sections will be pre drawn and bands will be notified after the closing date.
9. Uniforms must be worn by all competing bands
10. Bands should be ready to perform within 5 minutes of the preceding band vacating the stage.
11. All large percussion items will be provided and must be used (a detailed list will be circulated nearer the time). Bands are required to supply any additional percussion items including beaters.
12. Bands are requested to provide an unmarked copy of their chosen test piece for the adjudicator, to be posted to the Secretary – Mr A Whittle ( 23 Overmoor View, Tibshelf, Alferton, Derbyshire, DE55 5LG) – to arrive no later than 31st October.
13. Results will be announced and prizes awarded at the end of each Section.
14. All trophies to be returned 21 days before the next contest. (A reminder will be sent).
15. The LEICESTERSHIRE BRASS BAND ASSOCIATION cannot accept any responsibility for loss or damage to persons or property.
16. Please note that we intend to apply for a BoPA to cover any players up to the last Friday in December of the year they achieve their 16 th birthday. Any band with young people in this age group will be required to have full written permission from their parents and be overseen by designated chaperones. It is the responsibility of all bands to ensure that all relevant paperwork is available for inspection at all times.