

**AIRCRAFT MODELLING COMPETITION**  
**WING VARIATIONS TO REGIONAL RULES**

The Wing operates its local individual 1/48<sup>th</sup> Scale Modelling Competition with two categories:-

Junior – For cadets aged under sixteen on the date of the Wing Field Day  
Senior – For cadets aged sixteen or over on the date of the Wing Field Day

The category for which a model is entered, Junior or Senior, must appear on the models accompanying text.

The judges will decide which one of the two category winning models goes forward as the Wings single entry into the Regional competition.

**AIRCRAFT MODELLING COMPETITION – REGION FIELD DAY**

The Regional Commandant has selected the following models to be judged at the Region Field Day on in Sep 2010:

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1:48 Individual Model: Revell Mosquito B MK 1V Kit number 04555

1:72 Diorama: The Royal Air Force in the Central & East Region ACO

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Your attention is drawn to the Field Day rules about model bases and sizes on the following pages.

# **RULES FOR THE MODELLING COMPETITION**

## **COMPETITION RULES**

1. The overall rules are:
  - a. The entry to each class is to be as stated in paras 2 and 3 below.
  - b. One entry to each class per wing.
  - c. The scale of the model is to be as stated against each class.
  - d. The model subject is to be as published by Rgnl HQ.
  - e. Paintwork and markings are to be appropriate to type and period.
  - f. Points will be deducted where text about the model is called for but not given.
  - g. Airbrush painting IS allowed.
  - h. Specialised decals and addition of scratch built parts not included in kit are allowed and may gain additional points.
  - i. Cadets names or the Wing creating the model are not to appear on the model or any accompanying text.
  - j. Models must have been built since March 2009.

### **INDIVIDUAL CLASS 1/48 Scale**

2. The aircraft for this class will be announced before 1 Apr each year. It is to be to 1/48 scale in the markings of any unit that operated or still operates the type. It is to be displayed free standing (not fastened) on a PLAIN WOODEN BASE. The model is to be accompanied by a typed (not hand-written) sheet stating the aircraft type and any other information on the particular aircraft displayed. The base or the postcard is not to show the name of the cadet who built the model or the squadron entering it for the competition.

### **DIORAMA 1/72 Scale**

3. This class is open to all individual cadets or syndicates of 2 to 3 cadets. The subject will be announced before 1 Apr each year. The maximum size for the diorama is 75 x 50 cm. The models may be displayed either free standing or fastened to the base of the diorama. The model is to be accompanied by a typed (not hand-written) sheet stating the aircraft type and any other information on the particular aircraft displayed and the scene depicted. The base or the postcard is not to show the name(s) of the cadet(s) who built the model or the squadron entering it for the competition. Note: 40% of the marks awarded for this class are awarded for the diorama and its presentation and 60% for the actual models.

## ADVICE TO MODELLERS

The judges will look for the following points in judging the entries.

### 1. GENERAL

- a. That the entry meets the rules for the class eg correct mark of aircraft used, size of diorama etc.
- b. The general construction of the model or diorama.
- c. The general painting of the model or diorama.
- d. The general finish of the model or diorama.
- e. That accompanying text where required is correct. Points will be deducted for missing text.
- f. Figures/vehicles, if used, must be correct for the period and depicted in the correct manner. (It's no use showing a figure marshalling an aircraft if there is no pilot in the cockpit etc or the fuel bowser is still shown as fuelling the aircraft etc.

### 2. CONSTRUCTION

- a. Is the model put together well? Have joints/seams been sanded down?
- b. Is there excessive glue around the joints? (Use liquid glue and a brush/toothpick rather than a tube of glue).
- c. Are the wings/undercarriage cockpit areas assembled correctly?
- d. Have scratch built parts or modifications been made to the basic model?

### 3. PAINTING/MARKINGS/FINISH

- a. Is the colour scheme correct for the period depicted.
- b. Has the paint been applied in a reasonable manner? Too thick/too thin, has it been applied in correct pattern. Airbrushes are now allowed (this is a change in the rules, effective from 2004).
- c. Have the small detail like canopy frames, hydraulic pipes in wheel wells, cockpit interiors etc been painted.

- d. Have the correct decals been applied. Have they been applied in the correct places. Are they the basic decals from the kit or specialised decals used.
- e. Have any extra markings been painted on.
- f. Are the markings correct for the aircraft depicted against the class rules.
- g. Has a varnish been applied. Is it correct i.e. matt or gloss.
- h. Is the model displayed on the correct base as called for.
- i. Has any subtle wearing/weathering been done to make it look like an 'in service' machine

4. REFERENCE MATERIALS

- a. A little research before starting work can pay dividends.
- b. Source modelling magazines, illustrated aviation magazines for detailed information. RAF Yearbook, Aircraft Illustrated or scale modelling magazines.
- c. Use the internet. [www.fly.to/airnet](http://www.fly.to/airnet) is a good starting point.

4. TEXT

- a. Is the text just basic information copied from a book or has it been enhanced.
- b. Does the text attempt to depict information specific to the particular aircraft displayed.