

RULES FOR STATE AND DISTRICT CLEANEST CITY JUDGES

1. Cities and towns must be entered in the Cleanest City Contest in their proper population category (within corporate limits).
2. The judges, whether State or District, never reveal the point scores to entrants. Score sheets are never given to entrants for their scrap books.
3. Special attention should be given to the landscaping and overall litter-free, clean appearance of Blue Star Markers.
4. Approaches to a city or town should be carefully observed. Weeds around poles, signs, and in roadside ditches detract as well as subtract points from the Judges' scores. Care should also be taken to see that there are not weeds growing in broken cracks of sidewalks or on street curbs.
5. Special attention should be given to make sure no weeds or tall grass is growing along school ground fences. Students could be given the job of policing the grounds to ensure that they are litter-free. This will help encourage pride in the cleanliness of their school.
6. Vacant lots should be mowed at least 10 feet from the street or high way. We know it is not always possible to mow the entire lot - although it does look better. Vacant lots must be litter-free.
7. Abandoned cars are one of the worst litter problems. A good anti-litter project is to rid the community of such objects.
8. The State or District Judges have the privilege of asking the City Chair man to take other than the designated or "prepared" judging route.
9. The State or District CC Chairman should make arrangements for City Officials to meet the state or District Judges at the time of judging, or when an award is to be presented.
10. The State Cleanest City Chairman should be notified well in advance of the time and place she is to meet with local chairmen and City Officials, so that she may plan her itinerary.
11. A "Certificate of Appreciation*" will be given to all state entrants who score more than 80 points, but do not win Top Honors.
12. Hospitality of some sort is usually offered to the Judges. This is not mandatory. It is a courtesy and is greatly appreciated.

Display the Green Flag of Ecology as a Symbol of your commitment and as a Pledge to Act as an Environmental Conservator of our Earth.

The Greek Letter "theta" - warning of death, symbolizes a threat to Earth and its atmosphere. Green stripes are for unspoiled land; white, for pure air.

Once the air was clean, the water good. We could enjoy the smell of the earth; we could walk the land. It is incredible what we have done to America in 200 years. Too much of it is now noisy, cluttered, ugly, and dirty. As citizens, we need a new commitment to clean up, to enhance and to restore our country - and to use our natural resources wisely.