

DKF Nail Open 2019 - Soak off

- 1. Total time allowed is 1 hour
- 2. This competition is done on natural nails only.
- 3. The model is to come with nails ready to be manicured.
- 4. The nails are to be manicured during the competition, soaking is optional. Lotion and massage is not necessary.
- 5. All models nails will be checked to make sure manicures and filing of the nail were not done prior to the competition.
- 6. Nail must appear to be at least 1 week without any type of manicuring.
- 7. If it is determined that the models nails have been manicured prior to the competition a 5 point deduction can be enforced on the competitor.
- 8. The nails must be enhanced and covered with any type of soak off gel or Gel polish. No traditional nail polish.
- 9. Top sealer must be applied
- 10. All products must be clearly labeled
- 11. All products used for manicuring are allowed.
- 12. All products and tools must be on the table prior to the start of the competition.
- 13. You are not allowed to get products out of your case or have product brought in from outside of the competition arena once the competition begins.
- 14. One hand is to be solid red color.
- 15. One hand is to be applied in a traditional French manicure. Using white on the free edge and French shades on the plate. No glitter, shimmer or frost.



DKF Nail Open 2019 - Mixed Media

- 1. Mixed Media Box Art is a submission type competition.
- 2. The artwork is done prior to the competition and submitted at the time of the competition.
- 3. All entries may be submitted for any competitions multiple times. Once the entree has taken 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in any division at any competition it can not longer be submitted. No repeat trophied entries from past years are allowed.
- 4. Nails are to be designed on nail tips and placed in a transparent box which allows nails to be seen and to be displayed in the competition area during the entire event.
- 5. Covered displays may be bought or made. Boxes should not be any larger than 10 inches in either direction and no more than 4 inches in height.
- 6. Having a display any larger may result in the competitors entree not being displayed and if it is too large, it may not be accepted. This is left to the discretion of the nail open staff.
- 7. All entries are to be 100% complete before bringing to the competition.
- 8. A full set of 10 tips are to be created and must reflect different nail sizes, as real nails do. Anyone using all one size tips will have an automatic 5 point deduction to their final score.
- 9. The tips may be connected together or displayed separately.
- 10. You must be present to enter the Mixed Media Competition.
- 11. All entries must be left at the competition until the close of the competition.
- 12. No entries left after the close of the competition will be returned. It is the competitors' responsibility to pick up their work at the designated time and place.
- 13. All entries must be accompanied by a typed description of the work involved, including what types of nail art media were used. The description must be written in both English and the native language of the hosting country that the art is entered in.
- 14. Competitors must use 3 of these 5 nail art media: airbrushing, acrylic, gel, hand painting (Micro art), nail art embellishments such as Rhinestones, pearls, bullion, foils and crushed shells. Failure to use three separate art media will result in a 5 point deduction for each media less than 3 are used.
- 15. All three media used must be used in an artistic way, or they will not count towards the required 3 nail art media.
- 16. No decals or pre made art pieces such as machine made 3d art or Fimo shapes are allowed in the mixed media nail art competition. .



- 17. Every competitor must be ready to verbally explain how something was created, if asked by the judges.
- 18. Competitors may only submit their own work. All entrees may be questioned and the competitor asked to recreate a portion of the work submitted as proof.
- 19. All of the nail art applied to the actual tips, whether attached to the tip or not, will count & must not extend further than 1 cm from the nail surface or 5 points will be deducted from the final score.

DKF Nail Open 2019 - Fantasy

- 1. All entries may be submitted for any competitions multiple times. Once the entree has taken 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in any division at competitions it can not longer be submitted.
- 2. Artwork will be prepared by the competitor prior to the competition.
- 3. Every competitor should be prepared to verbally explain how something was created, if asked by the judges.
- 4. Competitors may only submit their own work.
- 5. All artwork must be attached onto 1 nail tip as the base. Any tip length and shape is acceptable.
- 6. The artwork may be as large as the competitor chooses,
- 7. Three dimensional artwork should be applied with acrylic or gel.
- 8. Rhinestones, feathers, foil, gems, accessories, ornaments and painting is allowed.
- 9. This competition stresses creativity, difficulty and how well the theme of the entire design is recognizable and "makes sense" or goes together, all adding to the theme.
- 10. All form of sculpting and 3D tools are allowed. Wire, foil, balloons, electric enhancements & net are all allowed.



DKF Nail Open 2019 - Stiletto nail art

- 1. This competition combines the element of art with the technical aspect of nail structure.
- 2. Competitors will be scored on a combination of technical and artistic criteria.
- 3. The nails should have a traditional Stiletto shape where the tip of the nail comes to a fine point.
- 4. Total time allowed for this competition is 2 hours for 1 hand
- 5. Competitor is allowed to choose to sculpt with gel or acrylic and the nails must be sculpted with forms.
- 6. Tips are not allowed!
- 7. The competitor is allowed to use products with any color and glitter.
- 8. Design work can be applied inside the application without limitation and/or on top of the nails with art that is no more than 5 millimeters in height.
- 9. The competitor may incorporate all types of paint and rhinestones for an added artistic element on top of the nail, but the hand painting will only count for 20% of the total score on all artistic scoring criteria.
- 10. The nails will be scored in a similar manner as most artificial enhancement competitions.
- 11. The application can be designed to the competitor's desire and ability.
- 12. Gel sealers or top coat must be applied
- 13. Electric files are allowed
- 14. Nail oil is allowed
- 15. Electric file oil is allowed
- 16. Pinching tools, c-curve sticks and all types of tools used to create a proper structure are allowed
- 17. The natural nail may be prepared up to the primer application
- 18. No pre-sizing of forms or applying of forms is allowed prior to the competition
- 19. Decals or pre assembled art of any kind is not allowed
- 20. All work must be created at the time of the competition
- 21. All general rules apply to this competition



DKF Nail Open 2019 - Salon style French

- 1. Competitors must polish one hand of the model with a red cream polish only NO base coat, ridge filler or top coat may be used. The polish may be any brand, as long as it is a red cream polish. No frost or shimmers allowed in the polish.
- 2. Salon style French pink & white nails are to be created. Cover pink products are allowed. These are salon style nails. The free edge may be shaped with this in consideration. Soften squared free edges are allowed. o stiletto or Almond shapes are allowed.
- 3. The competitor may use gel and acrylic.
- 4. Time allowed is 2 hours (120 minutes)
- 5. Topcoat or gel sealer on the exposed pink and white application is allowed to create shine
- 6. Oil is allowed.
- 7. Water and soap may be used in finishing.
- 8. The competitor may choose to apply with forms or tips.
- 9. Competitors may not pre-size or cut the forms prior to the start of the competition. Doubling of forms is allowed as long as they are not cut in any manner and are attached on the paper. Metal supports are allowed but must be applied after competition begins
- 10. Natural or clear tips or forms may be used. No white tips
- 11. Electric files are allowed, but competitor must supply their own machine, electrical cords and adaptors.
- 12. Electric file oil and all types of buffing creams are allowed.
- 13. Pinching tools, c-curve stick and all types of tools used to create a proper structure are allowed
- 14. One hand may be applied with the competitors choice of Clear or Pink acrylic or gel (red polish must be applied on this hand), the other hand must be applied with Pink and White acrylic or gel. Gel paint is allowed to create the white free edge
- 15. UV or LED lights are allowed on the table during the competition and must be provided by the competitor.