RHS Britain in Bloom
CATEGORIES AND JUDGING ALLOCATIONS

BAND / CATEGORY	ELECTORAL ROLL	JUDGING ALLOCATION
VILLAGES		
• Small Village	300 and under	1 hour
• Village	301 – 1,000	1 hour 15 minutes
• Large Village	1,001 – 2,500	1 hour 30 minutes
TOWNS		
• Small Town	2,501 - 6,000	2 hours
• Town	6,001 - 12,000	2 hours
• Large Town	12,001 - 35,000	2 hours 30 minutes
CITIES		
• Small City	35,001 - 100,000	3 hours
• City	100,001 - 200,000	3 hours 30 minutes
• Large City	200,001 and over	4 hours
URBAN		
• Urban Community[1]	0 – 25,000	2 hours
• BID[3]	N/A	Up to 2 hours
COASTAL[2]		
• Coastal (12,000 and below)[2]	12,000 and below	2 hours 30 minutes
• Coastal (12,001 and above)[2]	12,001 and above	3 hours
CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	N/A	Judged category + 30 minutes

PLEASE NOTE:

The above allocations **do not** include the 15-minutes press call nor the 15-minute presentation.

1. An **urban community** must be an identifiable community within a larger conurbation (sometimes described as an urban 'village or town'). It must have its own sense of identity and have its own "Bloom" group (a group dedicated to leading the "in Bloom" initiative locally). An urban community may not have its own Council, or be able to stand alone, but it will have its own 'sense of place'.

2. A **coastal community** must be an area that actively encourages visitors with a resort, beach and/or harbour (which can be part of a commercial harbour), adjacent to or within easy and reasonable access of the local community.

   The area will have facilities providing varied recreational opportunities for visitors. The beach/ harbour will have some of the following: café or restaurant; shop; toilet; public transport; supervision; first aid; public telephone. A coastal resort is described as an area which has substantial visitor accommodation and tourism as an integral part of the local economy.

3. A **BID entry** must be an official business improvement district; a business improvement district is a defined area within which businesses pay an additional tax (or levy) in order to fund projects within the district's boundaries. For a list of bona fide BIDs please visit the UKBIDS website on www.ukbids.org.