

Noreastcon 47 Contest Rules Updated 1-27-2018

1. The contest is open to all registrants of Noreastcon 47. IPMS membership is encouraged, but not required. Absentee entries will be accepted with an Absentee Registration Fee. Handlers of absentee entries will be responsible for all entry paperwork, retrieval of the entries and awards if any.
2. The Bantam Category will include Registrants ages 12 and under. The Junior Category will include Registrants ages 13 to 17, and not permitted in the Bantam Category. A Junior entrant may, at his/her discretion compete in any of the standard categories instead of Junior categories.
3. IPMS/USA, LISMS and the Museum of American Armor assume no liability for loss or damage suffered by entries. Handling considerations should be noted visibly on entry forms, i.e. "Model is NOT attached to base" on your entry form. As required in the judging process, judges will be permitted to handle the entries. Entries purchased and pre-painted are NOT permitted in the contest.
4. Entries should not be removed from the display area until announced by the Contest Chairman or LISMS President. The sponsoring chapter assumes no responsibility for contacting award winners whose entries are removed prior to the awards ceremony, or for mailing unclaimed awards.
5. Entries that have won awards at **prior Noreastcons and National Competition** are not eligible for awards. Previous Noreastcon award winners can be used in group type categories, such as 605, 801 & 802.
6. Entrants are placed on notice that entries may be excluded on grounds of propriety.
7. While the use of plastic is encouraged, other modeling materials are permitted. Judging standards of construction, finish, attention to detail, and authenticity will be the same regardless of material used. Unless described differently in these rules, judging will follow the most recent available IPMS Competition Handbook (http://ipmsusa.org/CH_index.html).
8. Models may be displayed on bases, but only the model will be judged, unless the entry is in a Diorama Category.
9. Markings will differentiate between military and civil categories, and will also determine eligibility for theme awards. Open hatches are subject to be judged at the judge's discretion.
10. **Final decision on category placement shall rest with the Chief Judge.** The Chief Judge may **split or combine categories** prior to judging, depending on the number of entries in each category. There must be at least 2 contestants in a split out category in order to make a split.
11. First, second, and third place awards will be given in each category. Out-of-Box (OOB) will have a separate category, OOB entries may be entered in the standard categories instead of the OOB Category. Individual entrants are eligible for only one award in each category [NO SWEEPS] regardless of the number of entrants entered.
12. **Out-of-Box** Category: Entries must have been built from a commercially available kit using the parts from the kit only. Seams may be filled, guns and pipes drilled out, rigging, antenna, simple tape or foil seatbelts are permitted, any edges may be thinned, but no other modifications may be made to the kit parts. **Kit instructions must be displayed with all OOB entries.**
13. **Conversion:** Entries must represent a version different from that provided by the basic kit. The conversion must contain significant structural modifications

to the basic kit involving extensive change in contour or configuration. In addition to the judging criteria common to the entire contest, judges of the Conversion Category will give special consideration to the complexity of the conversion. The entrant should detail the conversion changes made to the basic kit on the entry sheet or accompanying documentation including any pictures. The Chief Judge has the ultimate authority to determine a model's category placement.

14. **Scratchbuilt:** Entries must comprise less than 25% commercially available parts (wheels, tracks, propellers, etc). The entrant must have fabricated all major components. Methods of fabrication should be specifically described on the entry form.
15. **Triathlon:** Entries must comprise of three items of unrelated subjects to each other from the 100 through 600. Example: one item from the 100 group, one from the 400 group, and one from the 600 group on the left. Items that have won in a previous Triathlon or Collection in past Noreastcons are **NOT** eligible to enter. Entries that won in past individual categories can be included.
16. **Quintathlon:** Entries must comprise of any five related items to each other. Entries that won in past individual categories can be included.
17. **Miscellaneous:** This category is for any single item entry that does not belong in the categories specified, not a group of multiple items.
18. **Best Long Island Aircraft Award** representing an aircraft company based on Long Island such as Grumman, Republic Aviation, Fairchild Republic, Brewster, or Seversky.

Note: Always refer to our website for any additions or changes to Rules and Categories.