



HEREFORD ALLOTMENT AND LEISURE GARDENERS

HALGS COMPETITION RULES - 2026

PRODUCE

Judges expect to see a good range of produce including vegetables, fruit and herbs which will be judged for variety and quality, with evidence of successional sowing.

CONDITION AND APPEARANCE OF PLOT

Eg productive, weed free, pest free, well maintained, tidy

SUSTAINABILITY AND BIODIVERSITY

Eg composting, companion planting, encouraging pollinators/insects

WATER COLLECTION

Are containers of suitable size for the plot and connected

STRUCTURES

Should be clean, secure and well maintained with free-flowing guttering

An overall mark can be added at the judges' discretion.

IMPORTANT – if your plot isn't numbered, it will not be marked

There will be a children's competition with a prize for the winner at each site
This year's competition will be for the **BEST SCARECROW**

An application form for you to enter will be sent out in May to be returned by 31st May. If an application form is not received, you will not be entered into the competition.
Judging will take place in June/July (weather dependant).

PRIZES

First prize at each site will have a shield engraved with your name to keep as well as a garden voucher. 2nd, 3rd and merit prizes will be awarded a garden voucher

A prize will be awarded to the best allotment overall

A children's prize will be awarded for the best scarecrow at each site.

Note – Judges' decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into

1 March 2026

