



IMPALA TROPHY RULES

Impala Trophy(ies) are awarded annually to the fully paid-up member(s) of PSSA gaining the greatest number of points in each of these mediums:

- Projected Digital Images (PDI);
- Prints; and
- Audio Visual (AV).

Affiliate members do not qualify to participate.

The year will run from 1 July to 30 June each year and the awards will be made at the annual PSSA national congress.

Impala Trophy points will be gained on national and international salons approved by PSSA.

The point system will be:

Award Type	National Salon	International Salon
Winner	4	8
Runner-Up	3	6
COM & all other awards	2	4
Acceptance	1	2

Judging points:

Judges will be credited with the following points:

- PDI : 4 points per category (4 images per category) and 8 points for International salons (4 images per category).
- Prints : 6 points per category (6 prints per category) and 8 points for International salons (4 images per category – FIAP only allows 4 entries per category).

Points are equal to the maximum possible number of acceptances by an entrant, per the category judged.

- Audio Visual : Minimum 2 points per national salon and minimum of 4 points per International salon, but calculated on the average entry as follows:

Salons use various criteria to limit entries either by number or time or a combination thereof. The judging point for AVs in lieu of acceptances will be equal to the rounded average of number of AVs per entrant entered in the salon e.g. 36 sequences entered by 16 authors = 2.25 - > 2 points.

In the event of an International salon these points will be doubled e.g. 36 sequences entered by 16 authors = 2.25 -> 2 points x 2 = 4 points.



Acceptance points versus Judging points:

No person is eligible to win the Impala Trophy on judging points alone and no judge may claim more than his / her total acceptance points in this respect.

Should a judge not earn any salon acceptances in the medium he / she judged, their judging points will fall away. Similarly, the judging points which exceed the judges' own acceptances, will also fall away in the final calculation.

All salon judging points will also be calculated after and updated after each salon so that the scoreboard is current. (Modifications may be made throughout the year depending on a member's ratio between acceptance and judging points). This new practice will give visibility to those PSSA members who are vying for top honours in the Impala Trophy in all mediums, especially PDIs.

Other criteria:

There needs to be a minimum of 3 salons in an Impala Trophy year in each medium before the Impala award is made in that medium. If the minimum is not reached then the points will be carried forward until the following year

An image may only be used once in any salon irrespective of the category or of the image being in colour or monochrome or be the image in digital or print. No similar images may be used.

An image is only eligible for a total of 3 acceptances in its life time. An image which has been accepted in colour and monochrome forms part of the count of 3, e.g. an image gains 2 colour and 1 mono acceptances = 3 acceptances.

For the sake of clarity the following examples should clarify this point:

Image Name	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Count	Image Status
Image A	1	1	1	0	3	Retired
Image B	1	0	1	1	3	Retired
Image C	2	1	2	1	6	Only year 1 & 2 count – years 3 & 4 will not count. Image should have been retired after year 2 as a total of 3 acceptances have been received
Image D	0	0	3	1	4	Only year 3's acceptances will count. Image should have been retired after year 3 as total of 3 acceptances have been received

The tracking of an image's number of acceptances and awards will be done by the PSSA Salon Administrator and will be taken into consideration after each salon's results have been published. This will be reflected in the scores and will not be done at the end of the salon calendar year when the final audit is done.

A salon permitting a 'mixed' category which accepts both colour and monochrome images in the category, will be included in the Impala Open Colour log.

All Nature and Wildlife images irrespective of whether in colour or monochrome, will be allocated on the Impala Trophy log to Nature.

There will be one trophy for each medium.



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The Impala Trophy for PDIs will be awarded to the member with the highest number of points for the three PDI sections combined:

- Open Colour;
- Nature (Colour and Monochrome); and
- Open Monochrome.

In addition to the Impala Trophy for the overall winner in each of the three mediums (PDI, prints and AV), an Impala Gold medal will be awarded for the top scorer in:

- PDI: Open Colour
- PDI: Nature
- PDI: Open Monochrome

The 10 highest scorers on the combined PDI Impala Trophy log will each receive the **Impala Trophy Top Ten Award**. This will be a certificate.

The highest scorer per club on the combined PDI Impala Trophy log, but with at least 10 points and not on the Top 10, will receive the **Club Top Achiever Award**; also a certificate.