



ABPS National Competitive Exhibition Autumn 2026

Friday 4 September to Sunday 6 September 2026
The Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, Jubilee Hotel, Nottingham



SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND RULES

This document includes only rules specific to this exhibition. The General Rules covering all exhibitions organized by Stamp World Exhibitions (SWE) can be found at [Exhibition Rules and Guidelines - ABPS](#).

This is a National Exhibition, open to all exhibitors resident in the United Kingdom and from other countries in accordance with Section C7 of the General Rules. No facilities are available for National Commissioners.

The usual National Competition will be held. Please select on the on-line entry form whether your exhibit is competitive or non-competitive. Entries should be registered under the exhibitor's own name and not under any participating society's "themed" entries. Please click on this link: [ABPS Exhibition](#).

All arrangements for the insurance, delivery and return of exhibits are the sole responsibility and at the cost of the exhibitor. When necessary, this includes making arrangements for customs clearance and any attendant customs duties and costs.

Open to entries

Now open

Deadline for receipt of applications

Friday 31 July 2026

Applications can only be accepted on the ABPS application website: <https://exhibitions.abps.org.uk/>

A notification of acceptance will be sent in due course when payment of frame fees will become due.

There will not be a formal hand-in in London.

Nottingham hand-in and mounting of exhibits by Exhibitor or agent

Friday 4 September 2026
strictly between 09:30 and 12:00 only

Exhibitors or their agents should come to the Bin Room to deposit their entries. Exhibitors or their agents are required to mount and dismount their own exhibits together with an SWE appointed helper. Exhibits may be handed in or posted to the General Manager at The Royal Philatelic Society by Thursday 27 August. Containers must be clearly labelled NOTTINGHAM 2026. Exhibitors who send or deliver their exhibits to the RPSL must email administration@rpsl.org.uk to advise when sent or approximate time of arrival if handing in personally. Please remember that the RPSL and SWE are not responsible for the exhibit, which must be insured as on the application form. See below for important return information.

Awards Ceremony

Sunday 6 September 2026 at 11:30

Jury Feedback

Sunday 6 September 2026 between
11:00 and 13:00

Dismounting of exhibits

Sunday 6 September 2025 from
14:00 to 15:00

Displayers or their agents should go to the Bin Room from 12:00. Please do not attempt to collect your exhibit in any other way. You will be taken or directed to collect your exhibit. Please do not make firm arrangements such as rail departures based on these times. By prior arrangement, exhibits will be returned to the RPSL for collection only by the exhibitors or their agents. No exhibits will be posted back to the owners.

Frame Fees

£25 per frame is payable on acceptance, whether single or multiple frame exhibits. However, entries from first time UK resident exhibitors and members of the ABPS will be free of charge. This will be refunded on application to the ABPS by completing and returning the appropriate form obtainable from exhibiting@abps.org.uk.

All entries will receive a Certificate of Entry and letter of thanks. Only multi-frame competitive entries will receive a medal, and only one actual medal will be given to an exhibitor with multiple exhibits. Please note in the case of society "themed" entries for a specific exhibition that societies may choose to sponsor or pay society members' frame fees.

Any enquiries or clarifications sought about the contents of this document should be addressed to:

exhibiting@abps.org.uk