

Recycled Garment

Objectives:

- The member designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used materials. The completed garment is different from its original use.
- This category focuses on creativity as well as sewing skills.
- The original garment is not yardage like a bedspread or sheet, but an actual garment. It might even be two or more original garments. Additional fabric and trim may be added to complete the new garment.
- The new garment must show at least 50% change in construction. This means it can't just be a t-shirt dress cut in half to make a tank top and elastic-waist skirt. It could be a pair of jeans made into a skirt and handbag with calico fabric and trim added. It could be a large dress made into a skirt to fit a smaller person with the dress collar cut down to fit onto a new blouse. It could be 2 old shirts re-made into shorts and a light jacket with trim from a man's tie. It could be an old prom dress made into a new blouse with dress pants cut down from a pair of men's slacks. Be creative!

Eligibility:

All 4-H members 4th grade and above. (There is no primary division.) Garment must be suitable for public wear. A member must have recycled 75% of the garment and document all costs. Garments may be made for and modeled by someone other than the contestant.

Entry Forms:

Each participant must submit a copy of the recycled garment entry with "before" and "after" pictures attached. **Each participant must submit one copy of the Needle Arts entry form along with a written commentary. (Sample included in packet.) Send your completed entry forms by the deadline to the Ukiah 4-H Office, 890 N. Bush Street, Ukiah, CA 95482.**

Divisions:

There are two divisions of competition:

Junior – member has 2 – 4 years sewing experience

Senior – member has 5 years or more sewing experience

Judging:

Judging will be held on the day of the Fashion Revue. Judging will be based on the total appearance of the participant. Participants should be prepared to explain to the panel of judges what changes were made in the garment.

Awards:

Recycled Clothing participants will be eligible for first, second, or third place ribbons. One County Winner and Alternate in Senior Division if there are sufficient entries.

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