BOW TYING FOR FLORICULTURE CDE

Pinch and Twist Floral Standard Bow



BOWS FROM PREVIOUS REGION RALLY



Contestant Name:	
	Event Guidelines
6	Revised July 2020
Contestant School & Number:	

RUBRIC - TYING A BOW (REGIONAL) *If Preparing for an 8" potted plant.

	DISTINGUISHED (8 – 10 points)	PROFICIENT (6 – 7 points)	APPRENTICE (4 – 5 points)	NOVICE (2 – 3 points)	(1 – 2 points)
Taping the Wire	Wire completely and uniformly covered with tape.	Wire completely covered with tape. Thickness of tape varies.	Wire is showing in places. Tape is overused or underused.	Taping attempted. Limited coverage, sloppy.	Wire not taped.
Putting the Bow on a Pick	Bow firmly wired to the pick. Excess wire trimmed to acceptable length.	Bow wired to the pick with slight imperfection. Wire is trimmed.	Bow loosely wired to the pick. Wire is trimmed.	Bow loosely wired to the pick. Wire is not trimmed.	Bow is not on a pick.
Sizing	Bow measures 7.5 – 8.5 inches across.	Bow measures 7 or 9 inches.	Bow measures 6 or 10 inches.	Bow measures 5 or 11 inches.	Bow is under 5 or over 11 inches.
Loops	Symmetrical. Even number of matching loops with or without a center loop present.	Symmetrical. Even number of loops with slightly varying sizes.	Asymmetrical. Matching loops vary in size. Some uniformity. Improper side of ribbon showing.	Asymmetrical. More than 2 loops. No uniformity.	2 loops or less present. Uneven appearance.
Overall Finished Product	Bow is extremely eye appealing.	Bow is eye appealing.	Bow is somewhat appealing. Over 50% complete.	Bow is not presentable. Up to 50% incomplete.	Does not have the appearance of a bow.
TOTAL					

Total Points from Rubric:	multiplied by 2 =	Final Score

RUBRIC FOR TYING A BOW (REGIONAL) GUIDE

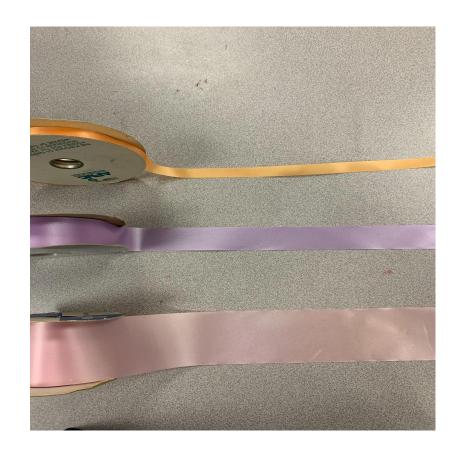
RIBBON SIZE MATTERS!

Bud Vase (and corsage) use #3

8" Potted plant use #9

Large plant or door wreath Use #40

#100 is rarely used



MATERIALS NEEDED FOR BOW TYING PRACTICUM

#9 Satin Ribbon

Scissors

Wire cutters

Floral wire (21-22 thin)

Floral tape

6" Wired pick



#9 BOW FOR 8 INCH POTTED PLANT

Make a Center loop, gather ribbon between thumb and finger



While holding the loop, twist the ribbon (underneath)so that the smooth side is up!



Form your first side loop. Size it according to size of plant/pot.



Gather it, pinch, and twist again so that your smooth side is up



Form your next loop on the opposite side and repeat, pinch and twist.



Continue by making your next loop relatively same size, pinch, twist.



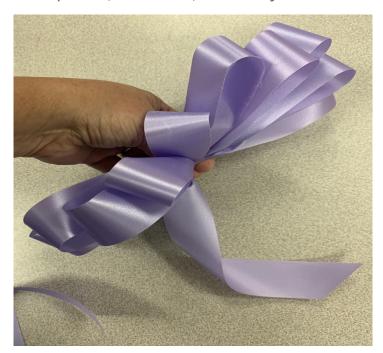
Continue making loops.



I like 5 on each side, minimum is 3



Leave a tail, no longer than length of pot (or vase). Cut your ribbon.



Make a matching tail, or add a third tail, if you prefer.



WIRING THE BOW

Place wire through the center loop while holding the bow in place.

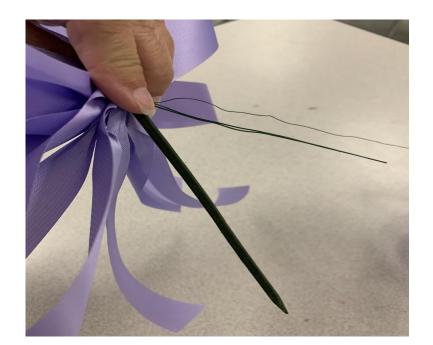


Bend the wire down to meet, and twist the wire as tight as you can.



ADDING THE FLORAL PICK

Place the pick against the bottom of the bow and the wire.



Tightly twist the bow wires and the wire from the pick together around the pick.



TAPING THE WIRE AND WIRED FLORAL PICK

Attach floral tape as close to the bow covering all mechanics.



Cover the entire wire and pick stretching the tape as you go.



FINISHED #9 BOW FOR 8 INCH POTTED PLANT





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QUESTIONS?

RESOURCES
NC FFA CDE GUIDE

NATIONAL FFA FLORICULTURE CDE HANDBOOK

THANK YOU!

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