

CSW Grades Revised

THIS IS HOW WE STAND FOR 1949

POMPON CHRYSANTHEMUMS

<u>CSW Grade Designation</u>	<u>Number Sprays Per Unit</u>	<u>Weight Per Spray (Ounces)</u>	<u>Weight Per Package (Ounces)</u>	<u>Stem Length Inches</u>	
				<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>
SPECIAL	1/4 Doz.	2½ or more	9 or more	36	24
FANCY	½ Doz.	1½ - 2½	9 - 12	30	20
EXTRA	½ Doz.	1 - 1½	6 - 9	30	20
FIRST	1 Doz.	½ - 1	6 - 9	20	

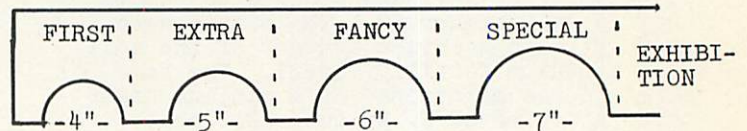
The weight is with the foliage turgid, with no surplus water on the exterior and after the leaves are removed from the lower 1/3 of the stems. The stems must be reasonably straight, foliage and flowers free from insect injury, disease and other disfigurements. Flowers which do not fit this classification because of foliage or flower blemishes shall be packed as the grade indicated by their weight and labeled UTILITY.

DISBUDED CHRYSANTHEMUMS

<u>CSW Grade Designation</u>	<u>Flower Diameter (Inches)</u>
EXHIBITION	Over 7
SPECIAL	6 - 7
FANCY	5 - 6
EXTRA	4 - 5
FIRST	Less than 4

GRADER FOR STANDARDS

Make this to scale and hang it over your grading table. (Idea from Yoder Brothers, Barberton, Ohio.)



The stem must be strong enough to hold the flower upright when held at a distance of two feet from the flower. The stem length should depend on market demand and is not considered in this grading. It is suggested that stems be 30 inches and over for all grades above first.

The foliage and flowers must be free from insect, disease or other blemishes which reduce the sale value of the product.

UTILITY grade is any flower which does not fit into these classes because of weak stems, injured foliage or flowers.

Grades for disbudded varieties. Adopted from Yoder Brothers, Barberton, Ohio.

SNAPDRAGON GRADES

<u>CSW Grade Designation</u>	<u>Weight Per Spike (Ounces)</u>	<u>Minimum Flowers Per Stem Number</u>	<u>Minimum Stem Length Inches</u>
SPECIAL	Over 3	15	36
FANCY	2 - 3	12	30
EXTRA	1 - 2	9	24
FIRST	1/2 - 1	6	18
SECOND	1/2 - 1	less than 6	--

Grades Special and Fancy must have reasonably straight stems and uniform, clean foliage free from insect and disease injury. The foliage must be removed from the lower 1/3 of the stems. Flowers which do not grade because of crooked stems or foliage injury are labeled UTILITY.

CARNATION GRADES

<u>CSW Grade Designation</u>	<u>Weight Per Flower (Ounces)</u>	<u>Minimum Stem Length Inches</u>
SPECIAL	1 and Over	24
FANCY	3/4 to 1	24
EXTRA	1/2 to 3/4	18
FIRST	1/4 to 1/2	12
SECOND	less than 1/4	12

Flowers should be bunched with like colors together. Stems should be reasonably straight, calyx not split, stems disbudded and suckered. Split calyces or those mended could be graded as normal but labeled #1 and so forth.

STOCKS

<u>CSW Grade Designation</u>	<u>Flowers Per Stem Number</u>	<u>Weight Per Stem (Ounces)</u>
SPECIAL	20	3 or more
FANCY	15	2 - 3
EXTRA	10	1 - 2
FIRST	5	less than 1

The stems must be straight and the foliage and flowers free from objectionable injury. Flowers which do not fit these requirements are labeled UTILITY.

IRIS

<u>CSW Grade Designation</u>	<u>Weight Per Stem (Ounces)</u>	<u>Minimum Stem Length (Inches)</u>
SPECIAL	2 and up	28
FANCY	1½ - 2	24
EXTRA	1 - 1½	24
FIRST	½ - 1	18

Flowers may be open or in bud with some color showing, and should be above the foliage. Foliage must be clean, uniform, and free from disease. Slight foliage tip burn permissible, but if over one half inch it must be trimmed. Stems must be reasonably strong and straight.

Stems that are weak, crooked, under eighteen inches, under one half ounce; stems that carry a malformed, off color, or injured flower; stems that carry foliage that has been severely trimmed to remove burn or reduce height above flower - may be graded as UTILITY.