

DPI competition entries - correct naming and formatting

For recent competitions we have had problems with some entries being mislabelled and/or wrongly formatted. This can cause difficulty in setting up the competition and may result in your entry not being shown correctly.

It would be very helpful if all members could check before submission to make sure the following criteria are met, especially for those who may be rushing close to the entry deadline:

Image formatting

- The image should be in [jpeg](#) format using [sRGB colour space](#). Please check as some cameras/software use a different colour space by default.
- The image size must have:
 - A [maximum width 1600](#)
 - A [maximum height 1200](#)
- Neither of the maximum limits must be exceeded (there is no issue with having one dimension at a maximum, and the other any value below the maximum e.g. for letterbox or portrait format).
- The only exception is for panels when the image should be 1920 x 1200

Image file naming

- With the exception of the Annual DPI (NOTE¹ below) image files must be named exactly as:
 - [Your Name#Image title#1](#)
- [Your Name](#) must be:
 - Exactly the same for all image entries
 - First and surname separated by a space
 - Use capitals for first letters only e.g. Fred Bloggs
- The [Image title](#) should start with a capital letter. e.g. Sunset at the beach
 - Capitalisation for subsequent words should be avoided unless a name is included.
 - Don't add anything else e.g. date or copyright symbol
- After the title you must add [#1](#)
- An [example of a correctly formatted image file is below](#).
[Fred Bloggs#Sunset at the beach#1](#)

Image Keyline

- Not part of the rules but it's always a good idea to add a thin (2-3 pixel) keyline around the image especially if the image is very dark

Submitting the Image files

Images should be sent by email to:

dpi@solihullphotographicsociety.co.uk

Some computers, especially MACs, typically send image files embedded in the e-mail rather than attached to the e-mail as a jpeg. This can cause problems resulting in loss of the image title. Please ensure that images only sent as an attachments.

¹ The only exception to the file naming format is for the annual DPI competition. For this competition the **#1** is replaced by **#C, #M, #S or #P** depending on which category you wish your image to be entered in. Where **#C** is for Colour DPI's, **#M** is for Monochrome DPI's, **#S** is for Colour or Monochrome Scape DPI's or **#P** is for Colour or Monochrome Portrait DPI's.