

Appendix C

Decorative Life-Size Non-Floating Division

The WWA 2026 Decoy Carving Competition and Exhibition shall have a limited Decorative Category. Rules for this category shall follow IWCA rules for non-floating full size decorative carvings. Competitors shall enter either Open or Amateur as a carver classification, with amateur containing carvers or Novice and Intermediate skill levels.

IWCA Rules Section 15. DECORATIVE LIFE-SIZE NON-FLOATING DIVISION

15.1. Subject must be made of wood.

15.2. Must be full-bodied except when part of an environmental composition.

15.3. Feet and legs must be hand carved or constructed by the carver in Open level only.

The following divisions shall be recognized at the 2026 competition:

3.2.1. Puddle or Marsh Duck—Includes all species of mallard, black duck, pintail, widgeon, gadwall, teal, wood duck, and shoveler.

3.2.2. Diving Ducks—Includes all species of canvasback, redhead, scaup, ringneck, golden-eye, bufflehead, ruddy duck (summer or winter), and hooded merganser.

3.2.3. Sea Ducks—Includes all species of smew, long-tailed duck, scoter, eider, harlequin, red-breasted merganser, and common merganser.

3.2.4. Geese and Swans—Includes all species of geese, including brant and swans.

3.2.5. Confidence—Includes all species of gulls, loons (summer or winter), coots, gallinules, and all others.

3.2.7. Shorebirds and Wading Birds (Decorative and Decoy)—Avocets, cranes, curlews, dowitchers, dunlins, flamingos, godwits, herons, ibises, knots, limpkins, oystercatchers, plovers, rails, sandpipers, snipe, stilts, storks, turnstones, whimbrels, willets, yellowlegs.

There will be no divisions for raptors, songbirds or minatures judged at the 2026 competition