

The Wesleyan Potters, Inc.

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Standards, and Guidelines for Pottery

Please adhere to these Standards and Guidelines to ensure that juried work at Wesleyan Potters is consistent

- > One Wesleyan Potters barcode label per pot. DO NOT place new tags over old price tags. The price tag is to be placed on the outside lower edge, unless it is a large platter to hang on the wall.
- **Bottoms** or feet must be smooth to the touch and not scratch any surface on which they are placed. They must be free of any kiln wash.
- ➤ **Rims** must be free of burrs and sharp edges. All rims should relate to the function of the pot. For example: Casserole rims need to be sturdy enough to withstand repeated use. Drinking vessels should have a comfortably smooth rim.
- **Handles** must be comfortable, have no sharp edges, and be joined to the pot without cracks.
- Covers should fit with minimal play. Covers should relate to the general form and function of the pot. Be extra careful with lids, they chip easily in transport.
- > Surfaces the eating surfaces of pots should be checked thoroughly for roughness. For other surfaces, unless something is deliberately part of the design, they should be free of sharp edges, burrs etc.

 Customers should not be at risk of cutting themselves on a pot.
- > Seams on vessels intended for liquids must be watertight. Please test for leakage before inventory In.
- > Cracks NONE! No "S" cracks in the bottom of the pot, and no cracks in seams or anywhere on the pot.
- Recycled Materials may not be used on vessels intended for food or beverage use.
- > **Glue** may be used to adhere decorative pieces to a pot but be sure the glue is not visible. If your piece has an obvious assemblage, it will not be accepted into the show. Repair work is not acceptable. Pieces that show obvious signs of usage will not be accepted.
- Props and Tags please see our more comprehensive document "Props and Tags Standards".
- ➤ Lamps must be wired properly, using new wire and bulb sockets. Lamps must have bulbs and shades so that they may be lit when out on the floor. Lamp shades must fit properly and complement the lamp base in style, size and color.
- > Sets Only one set is allowed in your top ten pieces. Dinnerware sets are not to be in your top ten.
- ➤ **Highly breakable pots** Please do not submit delicate or fragile pieces that can easily be broken or tipped over. Our Inventory In committee will reject any pot deemed too fragile.
- ➤ **Glazes** need to be appropriate to the function of the pot. Please indicate on your pot "Not food safe" or "Not watertight" or any other special instructions. If you do not have labels for these special instructions, the Inventory In committee stocks the most common labels and will apply them for you, as long as you have clearly indicated on the pot what is needed.