

**AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY**

**JUDGES TRAINING ON TALL BEARDED IRIS**

**One Hour Test**

**AIS Webinar June 9, 2021 – Instructor : Jill Bonino, AIS Master Judge**

**NAME:**\_\_\_\_\_ **REGION:**\_\_\_\_\_

1. Tall Bearded iris bloom stalks must attain at least the following height\_\_\_\_\_.
2. T or F Good drainage is an absolute requirement for tall bearded culture.
3. How many increases should a Tall Bearded rhizome make per year? \_\_\_\_\_
4. T or F Skimpy or floppy foliage will require that the variety be penalized the full 10 points.
5. **5A** The ratio of stalks to the number of fans at a minimum must be at what percentage?  
\_\_\_\_\_%.
- 5B** The flowers will become crowded and few plants will remain, resulting in “bloom out” should the ratio exceed what percentage?: \_\_\_\_\_%
6. Poor branching is evidenced in many ways such as:

A= T or F Branches that “toe in”

B= T or F Excessively short branches may display flowers at approximately the same level, creating an unpleasant effect.

C= T or F Branches spaced over the upper  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the stalk, resulting in unbalanced top branching, severely reduces the probability that the stalk will remain erect.

7. The number of open flowers (at once) in any variety is important because the flowers should not be crowding each other in the clump but also they should extend the bloom season. What is that magic number of open flowers? A variety that displays not more than \_\_\_\_\_
8. T or F In amoenas, bicolours, bitones and variegata types either sharp or subtle contrast is acceptable, but it is important that the colors create harmony.
9. T or F Strong midribs are vital assets to form and are an absolute necessity in the standards but not in the falls.
10. What is the substance in the flower structure that determines how long the flower can maintain its color and symmetry of form? \_\_\_\_\_