



SOCIÉTÉ FRANÇAISE DES IRIS ET PLANTES BULBEUSES

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Rules of the FRANCIRIS® 2026 International Iris Competition

1. The French Society of Irises and Bulbous Plants, S.F.I.B., is organizing in May 2026 with the technical support of the PARC FLORAL DE PARIS (one of the four sites of the Botanical Gardens of the City of Paris), an international competition for TB irises in France, in PARIS, entitled: FRANCIRIS® 2026

2. All correspondence should be addressed to:

3. SFIB

ROLAND DEJOUX

LES POUMAROTS

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4. It is important that **I receive the irises intended for the competition between July 20 and 31, 2024**, in strict compliance with the regulations in force regarding the shipment of plant material.

5. Admission to the competition is made after a simple declaration by e-mail or by post to Roland DEJOUX with full contact details (address, telephone, e-mail). Each participant can enter **4 varieties (two rhizomes for each variety)**. Competitors need to send the name (or seed number) of the varieties for the competition along **with a digital photo of each variety**.

6. Varieties entered must have been registered or introduced for no more than 5 years before the date of entry into competition. Varieties that do not have their final name on registration must be reported to Roland DEJOUX as soon as they are registered with the AIS, before the end of the competition.

7. IRIS SHIPPING PROCEDURE

The hybridizer sends his package to:

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so that I receive the rhizomes between July 20 and 31, 2024:.

- Two rhizomes of each variety (**4 varieties**) duly labeled with their name or seedling number
- The plant passport for hybridizers outside the C.E.

8. All rhizomes are sent at the sender's expense (except shipment with grouped orders from the S.F.I.B. abroad). The S.F.I.B. is released from all responsibility in the event of a transport or customs problem.

9. Two rhizomes of each variety must be sent. Each plant will be grown at the PARIS FLORAL PARK and must remain in cultivation to allow the monitoring committee to observe it for two years (2025 and 2026). It cannot be removed from the exhibition garden before the end of the competition. PARC FLORAL DE PARIS is released from all liability for any loss or damage suffered by the rhizomes, during the two preliminary years for the competition and until their uprooting after the end of flowering in the competition.

10. In the event of accidental loss, the breeder would be notified by the S.F.I.B. If a rhizome remained alone in cultivation for the same variety, it would however remain in competition.

11. Any plant entered in competition must be the creation of the competitor himself and not the property of another breeder, except with his or her written agreement.

12. The Floral Park may retain the first 3 prizes from the international jury (subject to the decision of the City of Paris). The competing irises will remain in place in the exhibition garden until they are uprooted after the competition has finished flowering.

13. Competing irises will be judged in May 2026. Specific awards will be given by an international jury of five accredited judges. The awards are:

PHILIPPE DE VILMORIN PRIZE: the best irises in the competition

GLADYS CLARKE PRIZE: the best French iris

AWARD FOR BEST COMMERCIAL VARIETY

AWARD FOR BEST CONNECTION

AWARD FOR THE MOST ORIGINAL VARIETY

AWARD FOR BEST PERFUME

AWARD FOR BEST TRICOLOR IRIS: Blue/White/Red

AUDIENCE AWARD

14. The public prize will be organized by the City of Paris.

15. The closing date for registrations for FRANCIRIS® 2026 is set for July 15 2024

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