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Dear Brian,

Submission to AFLACA J & R

The Gem & Lapidary Council of NSW J & R Committee would like to raise the following point to be considered by AFLACA J & R Panel in relation to the Competitor & Judging Manual Issue no. 7 April 2006.

Commercial Lapidary Items and the Use of “Beads” in Jewellery with Commercial Lapidary Item(s) set by entrant.

Sections – 18D, 18F, 19D, 20D, 21D, 22D and 23D - all these sections state that the entrant has set Commercial item(s) bought over the counter - not made to order. The lapidary item(s) are to conform with any of the sections defined in Groups 1 to 12 and 15.

We would like to add the words to the above statement: **Groups 1 to 12, 15 and Beads. (D2.1 to D2.5).**

This would allow the use of beads as an accompaniment to a cabochon or any other natural lapidary item, or by themselves, in jewellery. There is an increasing amount of these beads available and we are seeing them used particularly with the wire wrapping, It is felt that we need to keep up with current trends and use of these items.

However, we would like to see another paragraph added either after (vi) or after (ii) on page 66, 67, 68, 69, 70 and 71 stating that the **beads must be in Natural Lapidary Material or Natural Organic Material as defined in D2.1 and D2.4 on page 19.**

Yours sincerely

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A Member of the Gem & Lapidary Council J & R Committee