



AUSTRALIAN LACE GUILD
PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS
TATTED LACE STAGE 1

1. Read general guidelines.
2. Submit:
 1. Ten (10) motifs/medallions (any shape) to show knowledge and application of the requirements.
 2. Handkerchief edging, mounted by hand, with corners (material to be not less than 15 cm across)
 3. Small mats -one round
-one square
 4. An insertion/inset -mounted
3. Submit a working notebook. This should include knowledge of different pattern markings, methods of reading and writing patterns, evidence of experimentation with various threads, notes on the work submitted and a record of books used for reference.
4. Draw / write a pattern and work a sample from a photocopy that will be supplied by the Proficiency Coordinator, and chosen from the Guild pool.
5. Retain one (1) major finished piece to be resubmitted for Stages 2 and 3.
6. Submit a list of threads used (as well as samples of thread) and books consulted

REQUIREMENTS

At Stage 1 assessors are only looking for traditional methods of working the requirements listed. However, personal creativity will not be discouraged.

Rings and Chains in motifs/medallions:

- square
- round
- triangular
- hexagonal

Picots:

1. size variation
2. frayed
3. cut

Locking stitch

Josephine knots

Working with two shuttles

Ability to dispose of ends

1. When starting
2. When finishing
3. whilst working

Ability to join motifs/medallions

Ability to mount edgings by hand

Traditional application of the above

2 colour tating (Either two shuttles with different colours, or ball thread one colour, shuttle thread another)

REFERENCES

Suggested references may include, but are by no means limited to, the following books:

Nicholls, Elgiva: *Tatting: technique & history*. Dover, 1984. Republication of *Tatting*, Vista, 1962

Jones, Rebecca: *The Complete Book of Tatting*, Kangaroo Press, 1985

Connors, Judith: *An illustrated Dictionary of Tatting*, Lacis Publications, 2nd edition, 2007

Beeton, Isabella: *Beeton's Book of Needlework*, Ward Lock and Tyler, 1870