



## Diamond Division FAQs

- **What is the Diamond Division Quartet Contest?**

The Diamond Division Quartet Contest of Sweet Adelines International is an annual contest for Sweet Adelines age 55 years and older. The contest is designed to encourage and showcase members' continued singing and barbershop abilities, and to celebrate the success of Sweet Adelines International educational programs.
- **Who is eligible to compete in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest?**

Sweet Adelines members who are at least 55 years of age or older, AND whose quartet has a combined total age of 240 on the date of the contest are eligible to form a quartet to compete in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest. (E.g. 55 + 57 + 63 + 65 = 240)
- **Are there any qualifiers to compete in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest?**

No, the Diamond Division Quartet Contest is a standalone contest. All competitors must do to enter is submit an entry form to the Competition Department. Entries will be processed on a first come-first served basis. After all fifteen (15) slots have been filled, additional entries will be put on a waiting list.
- **Does my quartet have to be a registered Sweet Adelines quartet to compete in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest?**

No, your quartet is not required to be a registered Sweet Adelines Quartet to compete in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest. However, all members of the quartet must be members of Sweet Adelines International. Any quartet formed for the purpose of competing in the contest is not able to use the name of any currently registered Sweet Adelines Quartet.
- **Are International Quartet Champion quartets eligible to compete in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest, provided they meet all other eligibility requirements?**

A Diamond Division quartet may be comprised of no more than two members of an International Quartet Champion.
- **What are the singing requirements for the Diamond Division Quartet Contest?**

Contestants must sing two barbershop songs, following the same requirements for regional contest as stated in the JCDB Music category.
- **How will the competitors be scored?**

Competitors will receive the same adjudication, scoring, and penalties used for all Sweet Adelines regional competitions. Full contests rules will be available in Diamond Division Rules and Regulations.
- **What awards are presented to the Diamond Division Quartet Contest champions?**

Medals for placements 5<sup>th</sup>–1<sup>st</sup> place will be awarded in the Diamond Division Quartet Contest. Champions will also have their picture included on the back cover of *The Pitch Pipe* and be invited to sing during an International event.