



**Photography Club of Sun City Hilton Head
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2021—1:00 p.m.
(Held on Zoom)**

In Attendance: President John Burrack, Past President Gracene Peluso, Vice President Bruce Rosenthal, Treasurer George Newman, Secretary Diane Brayden, Education Chair Freddi Hoffmann and guests Jim Smith and Bob Ricketts

This special meeting was held as a result of a discussion in a recent photography class where some members were unclear on what was allowed in composite photos submitted for competition.

With all the editing tools currently available, it is increasingly difficult to know what has been done in post-processing.

The current rule, stated below, was reviewed:

A3. A submitted photograph or all components of a composite image must have been photographed and edited by the member submitting it for a competition. The time limit for components of a composite is the same time limit as the submitted photograph.

In general, it was felt that this very clearly spells out what is and is not allowed. However, to clarify even further, it was suggested that the rule specifically mention that textures and brushes not generated by the entrant are not allowed.

These recommendations also resulted:

- Members need to be encouraged and reminded to read the rules. This can be done both orally at meetings and with an add-on to the auto reply photo entry acknowledgement that goes out.

- The rules are available as part of the club website. Those with questions are encouraged to ask the competitions committee chair.
- Photo class instructors teaching post processing techniques will cover the rule of what is and what is not allowed to be done to photos entered into club competitions.

There is already a system in place to deal with those in violation of the rules and no changes are needed at this time. Members feeling someone is in violation of the rules are encouraged to report this to the competition chair and/or club president.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Brayden, Secretary