OPS RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITING

- 1. The exhibition is open to any stamp collector who is displaying his/her own material. No entry fee is required. This is a local/regional show. So in the interest of fairness, exhibits that have been previously entered in either a national or international exhibition will not be accepted. An exhibitor will be notified if his/her exhibit is **not accepted**. The show committee reserves the right to refuse an entry.
- 2. All exhibits will be mounted in 16-page frames. Individual pages can be 8 ½ x 11 or 11 x 17. Exhibits are limited to a minimum of one 16-page frame and a maximum of eight 16-page frames. If your exhibit is larger than 8 frames, please contact the show chair and it will be assessed at the committee's discretion.
- 3. Junior or novice competitors may enter a 6 or 12-page exhibit, mounted in a 16-page frame. Note: a junior is considered to be 16 years of age or younger.
- 4. Exhibits, will be accepted between 1:00 and 4:00 P.M at St. Mary's Catholic High School on the Friday before the show. Exhibitors who are bringing their exhibits on the day of the show must have their exhibit ready for display on show day by 9:00 A.M. We will supply all frames before 8:00 A.M. on the day of the show.
- 5. Exhibits that are mailed in, must be received by the Show Chair by **February 21, 2025**. Mailed in exhibits will be returned by mail at the owner's expense. Please indicate mailing instructions. **Note:** if mailing entry in an envelope, please be sure to mark the envelope **DO NOT BEND OR FOLD**. This will help to ensure that your exhibit is not damaged.
- 6. All exhibits will be treated with care and suitable protection is provided. However, the Oxford Philatelic Society, the exhibition committee, St, Mary's Catholic High School, or their staff will accept no responsibility for loss or damage to any exhibit or part of exhibit. Therefore, please arrange your own insurance.
- 7. Exhibits will remain on display until 4:00 p.m. on the day of the show. After that time, the exhibitor can remove his/her exhibit, unless other arrangements have been made in advance.
- 8. Any incorrectly classified exhibit may be transferred to its proper class, at the discretion of the judges.
- 9. A selected panel of qualified judges will judge the exhibits using an eight-tier system, according to accepted standards of philatelic achievements. The decision of the judges is final.
- 10. A minimum of two entries in each OXPEX/OTEX class is required for a club trophy to be awarded in that class.
- 11. The show chairman must receive all entry forms, title pages and synopsis pages by the deadline date of **February 7, 2025** to be accepted.
- 12. Your title page and the synopsis are to be sent electronically to the Exhibit Coordinator . If you don't use a computer, please send your application to the address below. Your pages will be scanned and sent electronically to the judges.
- 13. Mailed in entry forms are to be sent to: Oxford Philatelic Society, Exhibit Coordinator c/o Don Eaton, 459 King Edward Street Paris ON N3L 3E3
 If you require additional information, contact Don Eaton at <u>dhfe@silomail.com</u> or Bob Bidner at <u>bobbidner@gmail.com</u>