

The image features a decorative arrangement of seven circles. The top row consists of three circles: a white circle with a light blue outline on the left, and two solid light blue circles on the right. The bottom row consists of three circles: two solid light blue circles on the left, and a white circle with a light blue outline on the right. The text "Irish Photographic Federation" is centered horizontally across the top row of circles.

Irish Photographic Federation

Distinctions

Types of Distinction

- Licentiate (LIPF)
- Associateship (AIPF)
- Fellowship



LicentiateShip (LIPF)

- This is a basic distinction and requires the submission of 10 images (print, slide or digital format).
- Submissions should be sufficiently varied to show an understanding of basic photographic skills. These include:
 - Good technical ability
 - Selecting correct viewpoints
 - Good composition
 - Use of light
 - Good print quality



Associateship (AIPF)

- The Associateship distinction is open to photographers who have been awarded the Licentiateship Distinction.
- The Associateship is a much more specialised distinction and of much higher standard than for Licentiateship.
- A panel of 15 images is required.
- It recognises individuality and sustained ability in photography.



Fellowship

- The Fellowship Distinction is open to photographers who have been awarded the Associateship Distinction.
- The Fellowship is the highest distinction awarded by the IPF and is normally awarded for distinguished ability/style in a specialist area of photography.
- A panel of 20 images is required.
- The Fellowship panel should constitute an outstanding body of work.





General

- Print sizes should not exceed 20ins X 16ins (10ins X 8ins would be considered reasonable).
- Most slide submissions are in 35mm format but larger samples are acceptable by arrangement.
- Digital projection of images accepted only if projection system is made available by photographer making submission or by arrangement.
- Submissions in audio visual by arrangement with Distinctions secretary.
- Application Fee 35 Euro



General (continu'd)

- Presentation and mounting of prints should be sympathetic with the subject matter.
 - A simple method would be to mount prints on black or white card – remember, the image is being assessed, not the mount.
- Application forms can be downloaded from IPF website www.irishphoto.com

Closing Dates for IPF Distinctions

- November 1st 2006
 - I believe judging takes place on November 11th at the IPF National Shield Finals (Portlaoise)
- February 1st 2007 for FIAP
- April 1st 2007
- November 1st 2007
- Distinction judging has taken place at the annual SACC (Southern Association of Camera Clubs) competition previously. This usually held in February.
 - Website www.saccinfo.com

Other Annual Competitions

- IPF National Audio Visual (AV) Championships.
 - October 14/15 in Waterford
- IPF National Shield
 - An inter-club competition open to the non-advanced members of all IPF clubs.
 - November 11/12 in Portlaoise
- SACC Print and Slide competition
 - Individual competition.
 - November/December timeframe
- Nature competition
 - Regional held in January, finals in March
- SACC Creative Digital Photography Competition
 - An 'anything goes' digital image competition

Questions?

