Categories

Category I: Scratch-Built Models
Models that did not originate from a kit. Kit parts may be used in the model. But more than half of the model, including the hull, must have been fabricated by the modeler. All media.
- Class A: Vessels at a scale of 3/32" = 1 foot or smaller
- Class B: Vessels at any scale larger than 3/32" = 1 foot

Category II: Kit Models
Models based on commercial kits or hulls with or without the addition of scratch-built parts. This includes kit models that have been modified from the original instructions and any model with at least half of its materials composed of pre-made commercial pieces. Kits used must not be a pirated kit. Please refer to the list of banned kits at https://modelshipworld.com/guidelines/ for more information. or email the NRG Office at info@thenauticalresearchguild.org.
- Class A: Wood of any scale (ivory and bone, paper cardstock and metal may be used on the wood model).
- Class B: Plastic of any scale (includes laboratory-made materials such as resins and fiberglass).

Category III: Paper Models
- Class A: Scratch-Built Models
  - Models that did not originate from a kit. Kit parts may be used in the model. But more than half of the model, including the hull, must have been fabricated by the modeler.
- Class B: Kit Models
  - Models based on commercial kits or hulls with or without the addition of scratch-built parts. This includes kit models that have been modified from the original instructions and any model with at least half of its materials composed of pre-made commercial pieces.

Category IV: Operational Models
Models will be judged on the static criteria of the model. Quality of operational installations will be considered. No classes.

Category V: Dioramas
Display must tell a story. Ships-in-bottles may be considered for this category. No classes.

Category VI: Nautical Crafts
Models and craft items that are nautically related such as cannons, anchors, figureheads, nautical decorations, maritime carvings (figureheads, fish, water creatures,
waterfowl) or crafts made from nautical items, etc. Models that do not fit into Categories I-IV may be included in this group. No classes.