

RULES for the Jeju Forensics Network Online Debating Championship

The present document titled “RULES for the Jeju Forensics Network Online Debating Championship” (hereinafter referred to as “the RULES”) stipulates the rules governing the Jeju Forensics Network Online Debating Championship (hereinafter referred to as “the CHAMPIONSHIP”). The RULES represent the entire rules with regard to the CHAMPIONSHIP and precedes all prior discussions, agreements and understandings of every kind and nature between and among the Jeju Forensics Network Online Debating Championship Secretariat (hereinafter referred to as “the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE”). No modification of the present RULES shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

NOTE: The RULES are based on the Charter of the World Schools Debating Championships (WSDC) and the Rules of the Korea High School Debate Championship (KHSDC), and have been modified and approved by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the CHAMPIONSHIP.

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CHAPTER 1: AIMS OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- To provide an opportunity for debaters to pursue their genuine interest in debating regardless via online
 - To achieve excellence in debating
 - To promote global awareness
 - To promote communication skills in English
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CHAPTER 2: ELIGIBILITY

PART 1: Eligibility of Debaters

1. The CHAMPIONSHIP is open to all (prospective) Debaters who are enrolled as full-time students at a secondary school around the world.
2. A school may be considered a secondary school under these RULES if a two-thirds majority of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE agrees.
3. The selection and composition of a participating team is a matter for the debating team concerned. Every team at the CHAMPIONSHIP shall be, in principle, from the same school represented by a Team Leader or accompanied by a Faculty Liaison (a teacher of the team's school or an authorized organisation. Private tutors or anyone from private tutoring institutes are not recognised). At the same time, however, a team may be assembled with debaters from different schools.
4. Students who wish to compete in the CHAMPIONSHIP shall meet the registration procedures and deadlines set forth by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
5. Any student who is unsure of his or her eligibility is advised to contact the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE or ask his/her Faculty Liaison/Team Leader to make an inquiry to the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE on his/her behalf.

PART 2: Eligibility of Adjudicators

For regulations on the eligibility of Adjudicators and other rules on adjudication, refer to Chapter 6: Adjudication.

CHAPTER 3: DEBATE FORMAT

1. Each debate consists of two teams of three students each; one team ("The Government") will propose the Motion and the other team ("The Opposition") will oppose it.
2. The debate format for the CHAMPIONSHIP is stipulated as follows:
Debates consist of three Substantive Speeches (6-minutes) and one Reply Speech (4-minutes) from each team delivered in the following order:
 - 1st Speaker of the Government (Prime Minister) (6 minutes)
 - 1st Speaker of the Opposition (Leader of Opposition) (6 minutes)
 - 2nd Speaker of the Government (Deputy Prime Minister) (6 minutes)
 - 2nd Speaker of the Opposition (Deputy Leader of Opposition) (6 minutes)
 - 3rd Speaker of the Government (Government Whip) (6 minutes)
 - 3rd Speaker of the Opposition (Opposition Whip) (8 minutes)
 - 4th Speaker of the Opposition (Opposition Reply) (4 minutes)
 - 4th Speaker of the Government (Government Reply) (4 minutes)
3. Reply Speeches MUST be given by the 1st or 2nd Speaker, i.e. 3rd Speakers may not give reply speeches.
4. Debates shall be judged by an odd number of Adjudicators.
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6. A timekeeper shall time a debate. In the event that none has been nominated in a particular Chamber, one of the Adjudicators will take over the role of timekeeper.
Timekeepers shall:
 - a. Accurately record the time of each speech and report that time to the Adjudicator(s).
 - b. Provide audible signals at designated times and demonstrate those signals prior to the start of the debate.
 - c. Time signals given during Substantive Speeches are:
 - i. One Rap at the end of the first minute, indicating the end of the first "Protected Time". (NOTE: Points of Information (POI) may be offered by the opposing team after the first rap)
 - ii. One Rap at the end of the seventh minute, indicating the beginning of the second "Protected Time". (NOTE: POIs may not be offered after the second rap)
SEE ANNEX 1, Part 4, for more details on POIs.
 - iii. Two Raps at the end of the eighth minute indicating the "End of Speech" time.
 - iv. Repeated Rapping at the end of eight-minutes and thirty-seconds, indicating the end of the thirty-second "Grace Period", if a speaker has gone overtime.
 - d. Time signals given during Reply Speeches are:
 - i. One Rap at the end of the third minute, indicating a One Minute warning.
 - ii. Two Raps at the end of the fourth minute, indicating the "End of Speech" time.
 - iii. Repeated Rapping at the end of four-minutes and thirty-seconds, indicating the end of the thirty-second "Grace Period", if a speaker has gone overtime.
7. Debaters giving speeches at the podium shall be recognised as "Holding the Floor".
 - a. Debaters NOT "Holding the Floor" shall stand only to offer a POI.
 - b. Debaters behaving in a manner which interferes with the acceptable course of debate will be declared "Out of Order" by the Adjudicator.

See ANNEX 1, Part 3, for more details on the roles of the speakers.

CHAPTER 4: TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

PART 1: Overall Tournament Structure

1. The CHAMPIONSHIP shall be divided into two main phases of competitive debating: five “Preliminary Rounds” and four single-elimination “Elimination Rounds”. When the number of participating teams increases, the number of rounds may increase under the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE’s discretion.
2. At the discretion of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, the balance between prepared and impromptu rounds may be adjusted.

See CHAPTER 4, Parts 4 and 5 for more information on Prepared/Impromptu Rounds.

PART 2: Preliminary Rounds

1. Preliminary Rounds will be power matched based on the results of the debates up to that point. Some of the factors that the tournament tabulations program may employ, but not entirely exclusive to, governing power matching are:
 - a. Win versus Loss record
 - b. Total Team Points
 - c. High/Low Points (Highest/Lowest points of each team are dropped)
 - d. Points differential (all win/loss margins added together)
 - e. Opposition Wins
 - f. Coin flip
2. Silent Rounds: Silent Rounds constitute the last Preliminary Debate Round. In a Silent Round:
 - a. There will be no oral adjudication
 - b. Adjudicator’s decision is to be kept secret
 - c. No one who comes in contact with the Adjudication Ballot or has knowledge of its contents shall reveal the information thereof to any person(s) prior to the beginning of the next round
 - d. Adjudicators are not to be approached by anyone wishing to know their decision or the outcome of that debate round
3. At the end of the preliminary rounds, teams shall be ranked according to the number of wins. If teams are tied on the same number of wins, they shall be separated where practicable by elimination debates and otherwise on the following priority:
 - a. Total Speaker Points
 - b. Standard Deviation
 - c. Point Differential (sum of all win/loss margins)

PART 3: Elimination Rounds

1. The top 16 teams advancing into the Octo-Finals shall debate as follows:
 - Octo-Final A: Team 1 and Team 16
 - Octo-Final B: Team 2 and Team 15
 - Octo-Final C: Team 3 and Team 14
 - Octo-Final D: Team 4 and Team 13
 - Octo-Final E: Team 5 and Team 12
 - Octo-Final F: Team 6 and Team 11
 - Octo-Final G: Team 7 and Team 10
 - Octo-Final H: Team 8 and Team 9
2. The winners of the Octo-Finals shall debate in the Quarter-Finals as follows:
 - Quarter-Final A: winner of Octo-Final A and the winner of Octo-Final H
 - Quarter-Final B: winner of Octo-Final B and the winner of Octo-Final G
 - Quarter-Final C: winner of Octo-Final C and the winner of Octo-Final F

- Quarter-Final D: winner of Octo-Final D and the winner of Octo-Final E
- 3. The winners of the Quarter-Finals shall debate in the Semi-Finals as follows:
 - Semi-Final A: winner of Quarter-Final A and the winner of Quarter-Final D
 - Semi-Final B: winner of Quarter-Final B and the winner of Quarter-Final C

PART 4: Prepared Rounds

1. In a Prepared Round, NO preparation time shall be granted immediately prior to the debate.
2. During Prepared Rounds, Debaters may bring into the Chamber:
 - a. Pens/pencils/highlighters
 - b. NEW paper-pads/Post-Its/study-cards, speech notes, prepared material
 - c. One bound dictionary (single or bi-lingual)
 - d. One almanac PER TEAM
 - e. Single-function digital stopwatches
3. Any use of electronic devices, except single-function digital stopwatches, is strictly prohibited during all preparation times and all debate rounds. This includes: electronic dictionaries, mobile phones, computers, MP3 players, handheld PCs and any other data-storing or communications or Internet-accessing devices(s).
4. Any violations of this rule, in whole or in part, shall be deemed as cheating.

PART 5: Impromptu Rounds

1. In an Impromptu Round,
 - a. Both teams shall receive the topic (or choice of topics) at the same time.
 - b. Insofar as possible, each team shall have the same number of government and opposition sides in impromptu debates.
 - c. Both teams shall be given similar preparation rooms and conditions.
2. At the start of each Impromptu Round, a SINGLE Motion under a SINGLE Theme shall be announced.
3. Immediately following the release of the Motions, both teams shall proceed DIRECTLY to their designated Chamber. Once in the Chamber, both teams should identify each other and go into preparation for 30 minutes from the announcement of the Motion.
 - a. The Government Team reserves the right to remain in the Chamber and use the Chamber as its Preparation Room. The Opposition Team shall exit the Chamber and prepare separately in areas within the Designated Zone which will be announced on the day of the CHAMPIONSHIP.
 - b. Each team must prepare on its own.
 - c. Only the members of the team may take part in the preparation.
4. Teams must be ready at their designated Chamber no later than 5 minutes before the scheduled start of the debate.
5. Any use of electronic devices, except single-function digital stopwatches, is strictly prohibited during all preparation times and all debate rounds. This includes: electronic dictionaries, mobile phones, computers, MP3 players, handheld PCs and any other data-storing or communications or Internet-accessing device(s).
6. Any violations of this rule, in whole or in part, shall be deemed as cheating.

CHAPTER 5: MOTIONS

1. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall select all Motions for debate at the CHAMPIONSHIP. At least four weeks prior to the start of the CHAMPIONSHIP, the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall forthwith notify all teams of the Themes for debate and announce the Motion for the Prepared Round including the Grand Final. Debaters are expected to prepare with their teams before the CHAMPIONSHIP begins.
2. At the end of the second Semi-Final, two teams in the Grand Final shall decide which team shall take the Government bench.

CHAPTER 6: ADJUDICATION

PART 1: General Principles

1. All CHAMPIONSHIP debates shall be judged by an odd number of Adjudicators.
2. A debate is won by the team which has won preference from a single adjudicator or a majority of the votes of the Adjudicators.
3. The Adjudication Schedule (ANNEX 1 to the RULES) sets out the Marking Standard (Part 1), rules of debate and principles of adjudication, etc.
4. The Adjudication Schedule is an inseparable part of the RULES and may be amended by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
5. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE may authorise guidelines and instructional material for Adjudicators, consistent with the Adjudication Schedule and the RULES.
6. The Chief Adjudicator shall ensure that all Adjudicators are familiar with the Adjudication Schedule and any guidelines and instructional material authorised by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
7. All Adjudicators shall judge in accordance with the Adjudication Schedule and any guidelines and instructional material authorised by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
8. The cumulative adjudication marks or winning teams are NOT used to determine which team wins a debate.

PART 2: Chief Adjudicator

1. There shall be a Chief Adjudicator for the CHAMPIONSHIP.
2. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall nominate the Chief Adjudicator, and the nomination must be approved by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
3. In accordance with the present RULES, the Chief Adjudicator is responsible for:
 - a. Determining the eligibility of Adjudicators
 - b. Training Adjudicators prior to the start of the CHAMPIONSHIP
 - c. Checking conflicts between judges and participants: according to the Rules of Individual and Institutional Blocking, the Chief Adjudicator checks conflicts before the CHAMPIONSHIP and applies them in assigning judges.
 - d. Assessing whether eligible Adjudicators are competent to judge debates
 - e. Assigning Adjudicators to debates
 - f. Recording results of debates
 - g. Determining the tournament of the Octo-Finals, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals and the Grand-Finals
 - h. Any other matter related to the adjudication of debates at the CHAMPIONSHIP.
4. Prior to the start of the CHAMPIONSHIP, the Chief Adjudicator may nominate a Panel (Chief Adjudicator's Panel or CAP) of senior and experienced Adjudicators to assist the Chief Adjudicator in his or her responsibilities.
5. Members of the Chief Adjudicator's Panel may advise and assist the Chief Adjudicator, but may NOT independently carry out any of the Chief Adjudicator's responsibilities or exercise the Chief Adjudicator's powers.

See the ensuing chapter (CHAPTER 6, Part 3), for more details on the Chief Adjudicator's powers and responsibilities related to Adjudicators.

PART 3: Adjudicators

1. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE also reserves the right to establish an Adjudicator-Team registration ratio and disqualify teams that fail to meet the required ration.
2. Adjudicators for all CHAMPIONSHIP debates, including the Grand Final, are to be selected for their ability to adjudicate, not because they hold any particular office or occupation.
3. The Chief Adjudicator may accept an Adjudicator applicant as an Adjudicator if:
 - a. That applicant has judged at a previous CHAMPIONSHIP, or
 - b. In the opinion of the Chief Adjudicator, the applicant is sufficiently experienced and competent to be an Adjudicator.
4. As standard practice, the Chief Adjudicator's Panel (CAP) will arrange for a demonstration debate during Adjudicator Training, and Adjudicator applicants will be asked to complete Adjudicators' ballots on this demonstration debate, including feedback explaining their decision. The CAP will survey these ballots to gain a rough idea of the competence of each member of the Adjudication pool. Adjudicators who do not seem to fully understand the demonstration debate or who cannot clearly express a valid rationale for their decision under the CHAMPIONSHIP RULES will be assigned to further training before being asked to officially judge debate rounds.
5. All Adjudicator applicants shall attend Adjudicator Training and complete the Adjudicators' ballots on the demonstration debate pursuant to Article 4 above.
6. All Adjudicator applicants shall learn, understand and know the RULES of the CHAMPIONSHIP.
7. The Chief Adjudicator may assess an eligible Adjudicator at any time before or during a CHAMPIONSHIP to determine the Adjudicator's:
 - a. Competence to judge
 - b. Understanding of the RULES, the Adjudication Schedule and any guidelines or instructional material authorised by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
8. As standard practice, the Chief Adjudicator's Panel will monitor Adjudication feedback forms submitted by Debaters as well as ballots submitted by Adjudicators to assure the continued competence of the Adjudication pool and to make sure the best possible Adjudicators are assigned to judge debate rounds.
9. Blocking: Prior to the beginning of the CHAMPIONSHIP Debaters and Adjudicator applicants will be issued a "Block-Out Form" that shall be thoroughly completed and submitted to the Chief Adjudicator.
10. Individual Blocking is when Adjudicators are prevented, due to conflicts-of-interest, from judging Debaters they have had "contact" with prior to the CHAMPIONSHIP.
 - a. Debaters shall indicate which Adjudicator(s) they have had "contact" with.
 - b. Adjudicator applicants shall indicate which Debater(s) they have had "contact" with.
11. Institutional Blocking is when Adjudicators are prevented from judging teams registered from the same institution due to mutual "association". Adjudicator applicants must indicate which secondary school and their team(s) they must be blocked from judging.
12. The Blocking procedure is strictly conducted to check conflicts between judges and participants. If anyone concerned ignores it or intentionally deceives relationships, once it is confirmed, judges and the team of participants concerned will forfeit the debate(s). Judges will be disqualified from the CHAMPIONSHIP and participants will be denied any further opportunity to participate in the CHAMPIONSHIP, and the reason for it will be delivered to the participants' schools in official writing.
13. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE reserves the right to use "Mutual-Preference Judging (MPJ)". Every Adjudicator applicant shall submit a fully completed Adjudicator's Pledge and the MPJ CV which may include:

- a. Judging Philosophy, describes their judging principles and the elements of parliamentary debate they emphasise.
 - b. Adjudicator CV, indicates their debating and judging experience and any awards that they have received, as well as the number of years involved in debate.
 - c. These CVs may be distributed to the Debaters prior to Registration.
14. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE reserves the right to enact a "Length of Service" requirement.
 15. All Adjudicators must be available through the end of the Octo-Final Round.
 16. In principle, an Adjudicator may NOT judge a particular team if any of its members are attending the same secondary school. However, exceptions may be granted if a two-thirds majority of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE agrees.
 17. An Adjudicator shall not assist in the coaching of a team at the CHAMPIONSHIP.
 18. An Adjudicator may judge the same team more than once, provided that the judge does not judge that team a disproportionate number of times.

PART 4: Complaints about Adjudication

1. Any complaint about an Adjudicator in a particular debate shall be made to the Chief Adjudicator:
 - a. Within 12 hours of the alleged incident giving rise to the complaint
 - b. By:
 - i. An Adjudicator or Adjudicators accredited by the Chief Adjudicator for the CHAMPIONSHIP and who were on a panel of Adjudicators with the Adjudicator who is the subject of the complaint, or
 - ii. A Team Leader, Faculty Liaison (a teacher of the team's school or an authorised organisation) or a parent.
 - iii. The complaint should be made in writing
2. Complaints shall include but are not limited to one or more of the following:
 - a. The Adjudicator has made remarks prior to, during or after a debate in a way that raises significant doubt as to his or her impartiality for that debate.
3. Upon receipt of a complaint pursuant to Articles 1 and 2 above, the Chief Adjudicator shall determine:
 - a. Whether the complaint can be resolved without further investigation; or
 - b. Whether the complaint requires further investigation in which case the Chief Adjudicator shall undertake such further investigation including but not limited to talking to:
 - i. The Adjudicator who is the subject of the complaint, and
 - ii. Other Adjudicators on the panel with that Adjudicator, and/or
 - iii. The team leaders or Faculty Liaisons concerned with the complaint and/or
 - iv. Such persons as the Chief Adjudicator shall deem appropriate.
 - c. In conjunction with the Chief Adjudicator's Panel, the Chief Adjudicator shall determine the complaint by:
 - i. Dismissing the complaint; or
 - ii. Upholding the complaint; and
 1. Taking no further action; or
 2. Counseling the Adjudicator; or
 3. Directing that the Adjudicator act as a "shadow adjudicator" for such portion of the CHAMPIONSHIP as the Chief Adjudicator shall deem appropriate; or
 4. Directing that the Adjudicator undergo further training prior to acting further as an Adjudicator at the CHAMPIONSHIP; or
 5. Standing the Adjudicator down for such portion of the CHAMPIONSHIP as the Chief Adjudicator shall deem appropriate; or
 6. Referring the matter to the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
4. No determination pursuant to Articles 1 and 2 above shall be made without the further investigation to which Article 3, Clause 2 above refers and in particular, without first speaking to the Adjudicator who is the subject of the complaint.

5. Where a complaint has been determined according to Articles 1 - 3 above, the Chief Adjudicator shall advise the following people:
 - a. The person or persons who made the complaint;
 - b. Where the determination made in accordance with Article 3, Clause 3, Subclause 1 is the result of the further investigation to which Article 3, Clause 2 in the above refers, the Adjudicator who was the subject of the complaint shall be advised in writing.
 6. Where any complaint has been determined pursuant to Article 3, Clause 3, Subclause 2 above, the Chief Adjudicator shall advise the following people in writing:
 - a. The person or persons who made the complaint
 - b. The Adjudicator who was the subject of complaint
 - c. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
 - d. Notwithstanding Articles 1 - 6, NO result of ANY debate shall be overturned.
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CHAPTER 7: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. There shall be an EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE for the CHAMPIONSHIP, which is the highest decision-making body. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall discuss and determine any and all matters with regard to the RULES as well as running and operating the CHAMPIONSHIP. Any decision the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE makes shall take precedence over any and all provision, argument, assertion, claim and/or allegation made by the RULES, the Chief Adjudicator, Adjudicator(s), Debater(s), Faculty Liaison(s), parent(s) or anyone related to the above; and such a decision may not be overturned or reversed.
 2. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall meet regularly before and during each CHAMPIONSHIP and shall decide:
 - a. The approximate dates for the next CHAMPIONSHIP subject to Article 5 of the present CHAPTER.
 - b. Any amendments to be made to these RULES as well as any other matters that it thinks necessary.
 - c. On action in all areas related to the CHAMPIONSHIP, and will focus on key issues through its working groups.
 3. If the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE feels that there is a particular area which needs attention, it may mandate its Chairperson to establish a working group to focus on this area.
 4. The venue and dates of the CHAMPIONSHIP shall be fixed and may vary by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, provided that such variation is passed by a two-thirds majority of the Committee members.
 5. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall meet when necessary to resolve any disputes or questions as to the meaning of these RULES and any other disputes that arise during the course of the CHAMPIONSHIP. All members may attend such meetings of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, but those directly affected by the dispute or question may not vote.
 6. The quorum for a meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE is a majority of the members eligible to attend.
 7. Motions to amend the RULES shall be proposed and seconded by two members. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE must notify members of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE at least two weeks in advance of the meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
 8. Every participating team at a CHAMPIONSHIP must agree to abide by the RULES of the CHAMPIONSHIP.
 9. A team may forfeit any debate in which it fails to abide by the RULES.
 10. There shall be Code of Conduct (ANNEX 3) for the CHAMPIONSHIP, as set out in ANNEX 2 to these RULES.
 11. The Code of Conduct is a part of these RULES and shall be amended in accordance with the requirements for amending these RULES.
 12. Each participation at a CHAMPIONSHIP shall agree to abide by the Code of Conduct and shall indicate that agreement in writing prior to the CHAMPIONSHIP as specified in the Code of Conduct.
 13. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE may provide direction and interpretation of the RULES to the CHAMPIONSHIP as and when required.
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CHAPTER 8: MISCELLANEOUS: MEDICAL ABSENCE, COMPLAINTS

1. Emergency Medical Absence: In the extremely rare case where one Debater on a team is unable to compete during a round due to sudden illness, the remaining two Debaters may continue only that round without forfeiting, HOWEVER:
 - a. The absent Debater will receive the lowest speaker point in each of the Style, Content and Strategy categories.
 - b. The substituting speaker will not earn any additional points for performing their teammate's role.
 - c. A team can only invoke this rule ONCE with the approval of the Chief Adjudicator's Panel.
 - d. The opposing 3-person team will be awarded the scores that they have earned during that round.
 - e. If two members of a team are unable to compete, the team must forfeit that round.
2. Complaints and Compliments: the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE goes to great lengths to ensure the integrity and fairness of the CHAMPIONSHIP and hopes that schools, Debaters and the larger debate family will work together to foster trust and build a strong debating community. In order to meet this goal, everyone involved in the CHAMPIONSHIP will have an opportunity to share feedback with the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. To help ensure that the CHAMPIONSHIP continues to improve, there will also be a formal procedure for making complaints:
 - a. Complaints that are not offered via authorised channels may also result in a Debater's disqualification. All complaints shall be submitted in the following ways:
 - i. Debaters shall use Adjudicator Feedback Forms at the end of a round to make any complaints or compliments related to that specific round or individual Adjudicator.
 - ii. For minor complaints, Debaters are encouraged to talk with their Faculty Liaisons or Team Leader to help determine an appropriate course of action. The Team representative (Faculty Liaisons or Team Leader) may contact the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
 - iii. Adjudicators and other CHAMPIONSHIP Staff wishing to register a complaint may contact the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE in a timely manner to determine if a problem is serious enough to merit a formal, written complaint.
 - iv. Family members and other individuals not directly involved in the CHAMPIONSHIP who wish to register a complaint shall not directly contact any Adjudicators. They must contact their respective team's Faculty Liaisons or the Team Leader to pursue the formal complaint process.
 - b. Adjudication Feedback Forms are the means by which the Debaters can report compliments, criticisms and complaints concerning their debate round directly to the Chief Adjudicator's Panel.
 - i. These forms must be completed by each team directly after the oral adjudication for each round.
 - ii. Teams shall be left alone in the Chamber to complete their forms
 - iii. No assistance or advice shall be offered or given to aid teams in completing their forms
 - iv. Completed forms shall be given to the Chief Adjudicator's Panel for review
 - c. In the event of a serious complaint or a severe infraction of the RULES, the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE reserves the right to meet with individuals directly, but to ensure the integrity of the CHAMPIONSHIP and to help ensure there are no private relationships between outside persons and the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (see CHAPTER 6, Article 3), only Faculty Liaisons or Team Leader may contact the Tournament Director to make the initial report of any problem.

ANNEX 1: ADJUDICATION SCHEDULE

1. In order to encourage consistency of marks, speeches are marked within the accepted range of marks and Adjudicators may not go outside that range. See ANNEX 2: the Marking Standard.
2. Adjudicators will arrive at their decisions on an individual basis and fill in the necessary ballots and pass their completed forms and ballots to the Runner for recording in the Tabulations Room.
3. At the end of every debate, each Adjudicator must complete their Adjudication Ballot.

See ANNEX 2: Marking Standard for more details on marking.

4. Public Adjudication (oral feedback in front of the Debaters and any audience in attendance) is required during all “non-silent” Preliminary Rounds:
 - a. At the end of the debate, the Adjudicators shall announce the winning team, and all Adjudicators shall give an oral adjudication.
 - b. Adjudicators shall NOT announce team/individual scores nor shall indicate the margin of win/loss. Adjudicators are expected to maintain the confidentiality of those numbers during the CHAMPIONSHIP.
 5. “Called to Order” is when an Adjudicator indicates, by saying “Order” or something similar, to a Debater that has committed an infraction of the RULES indicating that they should cease such activities. Such infractions include, but not limited to:
 - a. Lengthy Points of Information lasting longer than 15 seconds
 - b. Points of Information offered during Protected Time
 - c. Barracking
 - d. Talking too loudly with your teammates
 - e. Conversing with the speaking Debater
 - f. Ad Hominem (personal) attacks
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ANNEX 2: MARKING STANDARD

PART 1: Substantive Speeches (out of 100)

Standard	Overall (/100)	Style (/40)	Content (/40)	Strategy (/20)
Exceptional	80	32	32	16
Excellent	76 - 79	31	31	15 - 16
Extremely Good	74 - 75	30	30	15
Very Good	71 - 73	29	29	14 - 15
Good	70	28	28	14
Satisfactory	67 - 69	27	27	13 - 14
Competent	65 - 66	26	26	13
Pass	61 - 64	25	25	12 - 13
Improvement Needed	60	24	24	12

PART 2: Reply Speeches (out of 50)

Standard	Overall (/50)	Style (/20)	Content (/20)	Strategy (/10)
Exceptional	40	16	16	8
Very Good to Excellent	36 - 39	15	15	7.5
Good	35	14	14	7
Pass to Satisfactory	31 - 34	13	13	6.5
Improvement Needed	30	12	12	6

ANNEX 3: CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Before the start of each CHAMPIONSHIP, all participants shall sign the undertaking at the conclusion of this Code of Conduct that they will abide by this Code of Conduct for the duration of the tournament.
2. At least one parent or guardian of every Debater attending the CHAMPIONSHIP shall also sign the undertaking.
3. Behavior during debates:
 - a. Participants in the CHAMPIONSHIP, especially Faculty Liaisons and Debaters, must not confront Adjudicators in an aggressive manner after a debate.
 - b. Feedback between teams and Adjudicators must be given and received in a constructive and non-confrontational manner.
4. If a participant believes that another participant has breached this Code of Conduct, he/she may report the breach to the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
5. Complaints of the following nature must be referred through the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:
 - a. Any form of violence or threat of violence
 - b. Sexual harassment
 - c. The consumption or supply of substances which are illegal in the Republic of Korea
 - d. A participant being under the influence of alcohol or drugs in a manner which has brought or threatens to bring the CHAMPIONSHIP into disrepute
 - e. Any form of inappropriate relationship between a Debater and any other participant
 - f. Willful damage to public property or the property of a HOST venue.
6. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall convene a meeting within 48 hours of receiving a complaint in accordance with Article 4 in the above.
7. At a meeting to discuss a complaint, the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE may:
 - a. Decide to take no further action
 - b. Make a decision about the complaint without a hearing
 - c. Hold a hearing about the complaint.
 - d. Regardless of which option it takes, the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE may also refer the complaint to the country's relevant authorities (such as the police) if it considers that this is appropriate.
8. Hearings are confidential: Until the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE makes a decision about a complaint, details of the complaint and the hearing shall be kept confidential and shall be discussed only with the people participating in the hearing.
9. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE's decision shall be final. The person complained about is not able to appeal it, but where the person complained about has been expelled for longer than the next CHAMPIONSHIP he or she can apply for re-admittance in accordance with Article 10 below.
10. Where the Executive Committee's decision has led to an expulsion and the person complained about has been expelled for longer than the next CHAMPIONSHIP, the person complained about may, after the conclusion of the following CHAMPIONSHIP, apply in writing to the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE to be readmitted as a participant at future CHAMPIONSHIP. The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE must make a decision about the application by:
 - a. Declining the application, or
 - b. Readmitting the applicant subject to any conditions the committee thinks fit, or
 - c. Readmitting the applicant without any conditions
11. After making a decision about the application, the Committee must send a written copy of its decision to:
 - a. The applicant
 - b. The Chief Adjudicator of the following CHAMPIONSHIP
 - c. The person who made the original complaint about the applicant.
12. CHAMPIONSHIP Etiquette requires everyone to conduct themselves in a professional manner that respects the purposeful efforts of the Debaters, the duties of the Adjudicators, the responsibilities

of the Tournament Director and other CHAMPIONSHIP Staff and the RULES that govern the CHAMPIONSHIP. The CHAMPIONSHIP Etiquette includes but is not limited to:

- a. Integrity: Dishonesty undermines confidence in the CHAMPIONSHIP and such infractions include:
 - i. Failing to truthfully complete any or all documents related to the CHAMPIONSHIP, or
 - ii. Prematurely disclosing the results of a Silent Round.
 - iii. Violations must be brought to the immediate attention of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE through the Chief Adjudicator's Panel for investigation.
- b. Fair-play: the CHAMPIONSHIP strictly forbids cheating which is:
 - i. Debaters sneaking prohibited reference materials into a debate round or during prep-times for Impromptu Rounds;
 - ii. Debaters accessing the Internet during any debate round or during prep- times for Impromptu Rounds;
 - iii. Debaters communicating, in any form, with any persons beyond their registered teammates:
 1. After the Impromptu Round Motion has been released, or
 2. After the Prepared Round team-pairings have been released, or
 3. During the debate round with any persons in the audience.
- c. Decorum: Rude gestures, foul language or discriminatory acts of any kind, by anyone at the CHAMPIONSHIP, will result in the violators being immediately ejected from the CHAMPIONSHIP and instructed to leave the premises.
- d. Punctuality: Team Pairings, Proposition/Opposition assignments, and Chamber (debate room) designations will be posted 5 minutes before the beginning of every Round, barring unforeseen organizational delays, therefore, Debaters or Teams arriving late, with no valid reason, risk automatically losing the round if the Chief Adjudicator's Panel determines it necessary to enact the Disqualification Rule (See below).
- e. Discipline: RULES violations investigated by the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE or the Chief Adjudicator's Panel may result in a decision to enact:
 - i. Round Disqualification Rule: The following criteria shall apply if a team is disqualified from a Round. The score range may change depending upon the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE's discretion:
 1. A team that is disqualified will receive the lowest possible speaker scores for each role for the round in which they are disqualified: Substantive Speeches: Style 24, Content 24, and Strategy 12; Totaling 60 points; Reply Speech: Style 12, Content 12, and Strategy 6; totaling 30 points; Team total = 210 points
 2. A team that wins the match automatically by disqualification of their opponent will receive the average of their own scores from all their other debates at the Championship: Scores will be calculated and applied after they have finished competitive debating at the CHAMPIONSHIP.
 3. However, if the debate has already progressed, the team that wins by disqualification of their opponent will receive the scores given by the adjudicator.
- f. The Disqualification Rule: The Chief Adjudicator's Panel shall disqualify from the tournament any individual or team or both it has determined:
 - i. To have forfeited a round for an illegitimate reason, or
 - ii. To have forfeited or been disqualified from two rounds, or
 - iii. To have deliberately misrepresented themselves or others on CHAMPIONSHIP-related documents, or
 - iv. To have committed flagrant acts of discrimination, or
 - v. To have flagrantly violated CHAMPIONSHIP RULES.

- g. Offenders will have their CHAMPIONSHIP scores deleted; and their Faculty Liaison, and Head Master or Principal of their school(s), and the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall be notified of the incident.
13. Audience Etiquette includes but is not limited to the following:
- a. Audio and video recording devices are prohibited during debate rounds without prior approval from the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
 - b. Audience members shall arrive in the Main Hall 10-minutes before the beginning of the debate round they wish to view.
 - c. Audience members may NOT:
 - i. Disrupt the proceedings in the Chamber while the round is in progress.
 - ii. Question the Adjudicator(s) about their decision or their adjudication.
 - iii. The Adjudicators shall dismiss any audience member who is determined to be disrupting a debate and inform the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE or the Chief Adjudicator's Panel of the incident.