

International Young Physicists' Tournament



Chairmen guide

To enhance and guarantee the quality of chairmen's work during the IYPT physics fights, the EC decided to prepare this list of rules. Every chairman is asked to stick to these rules as closely as possible. However, duly justified deviations have to be accepted in certain cases.

Before the fight:

- Chairman introduces himself, then asks the jury members to introduce themselves and finally asks captains of teams to introduce their teams.
- Asks all team members to follow basic principles of correct scientific discussion and politeness.
- Announces the ordering of relevant teams during the respective round.

During the fight:

- Introduces every stage of the round.
- Asks the team member to introduce him/herself also in writing on the board.
- Taking of audio and video recordings is allowed only in the case of own performances.
- When the time of the relevant stage is finished, chairman announces this fact. After preparation stages, the time for next stage starts running immediately after the announcement. For presentation stages, chairmen can decide to let the speaker have a final remark, which can not exceed 15 seconds.
- During the preparation stage for the report, if unexpected technical problems occur, chairman can decide to prolong the duration of this stage for not more than 3 minutes.
- Own equipment (except notebooks) requiring the connection to electricity can be used by teams only after prior permission of LOC. This decision has to be respected by chairman.
- Chairman is fully responsible for keeping the time limits, including questions of jury. He may stop a juror, if his/her question is inadequate and/or he/she exceeds the time limit. He may also stop the team member, if his/her answer exceeds the time limit. The overall time limit for questions of the jury must be kept with the same tolerance as time limits for teams.
- If other person in the room disturbs the smooth run of the physics fight, chairman can ask him/her to leave the room.
- In case there is a suspicion of an attempt of communication between teams and third persons, this fact must be reported to Secretary General immediately after the end of the stage.
- Before showing the grades, the chairman checks that jury members have written their grades on the marking sheets.
- If there is a single highest or lowest grade of a jury member, chairman asks the jury member to shortly explain his/her grading; this is done for all stages only after all grades for all stages are shown.
- Chairman is asked to report to Secretary General, if jury member(s) did break seriously or repeatedly the abovementioned rules.