4-H PROJECT BOWL

Job Description for Judges

**REMEMBER YOU ARE THE FINAL WORD ON QUESTIONABLE ANSWERS***

1. Always sit next to the moderator so you can work as a team. Smile often.

2. Answer “correct” or “incorrect” for each answer given.

3. Look through the questions and answers prior to the start of the contest and again prior to each round. Be very familiar with the rules, especially regarding challenges.

4. Be fair, but you should accept only the first answer given. Don't let the student keep on searching for a correct answer. Use the first answer given and let the other team challenge and prove the answer. **Do not prompt the 4-H'er to elaborate an answer.**

5. In the book of questions, write any information you feel would assist a judge at the next regional or state contest.

6. Remind the spectators not to mouth answers or write down any notes or in any way assist team members during the match. You may ask spectators to leave after one warning is given and request their notes be given to you.

7. In the case of a tie, five additional regular questions will be asked. Ten points will be given for correct answers and no points for incorrect answers. If a tie still exists, the first team to correctly answer a question will be declared the winner.

8. Be sure of yourself. **Answer quickly and firmly.** Less challenges are made if the judge knows what she or he is doing.

9. Contest procedures not immediately resolved by you should be referred immediately to the contest coordinator.

10. If coaches or 4-H’ers misbehave one warning is given; after that the team is eliminated.

11. Feel free to add educational information concerning an answer when appropriate. This is to be a learning experience.

12. The numbers in parentheses to the left of each question are the contestant from each team to whom the question is to be posed. The left-hand number is team #1; the right-hand number is team #2. The three numbers above each question, with the dotted line running through them are: C=category, D=degree of difficulty, database reference number. The letters and numbers in the parentheses on the right side at the end of each answer are the reference abbreviation and page number for the source of the question.

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