

JUDGE'S CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY AND CODE OF ETHICS



All judges must complete this form before the contest and submit it to the chief judge at each level of competition.

Name of Contest: ☐ Evaluation ☐ Humorous ☐ International ☐ Table Topics ☐ Tall Tales
(check one)

Contest Level: ☐ Club ☐ Area ☐ Division ☐ District ☐ Semifinal ☐ World Championship

Date of Contest: _____

Eligibility

1. Judges at club contests shall be members in good standing.
2. Judges at area, division, and district speech contests shall:
 - a. Be a Toastmasters member in good standing for a minimum of six months.
 - b. Have completed a minimum of six speech projects in the *Competent Communication* manual.
3. Judges at the semifinal and International contests shall be at least an Advanced Toastmaster Bronze or Advanced Communicator Bronze and have previously judged a Toastmasters speech contest at area, division, district, or semifinal level.
4. Judges are not eligible to compete in this contest cycle for this type of contest.

Judge's Code of Ethics

1. I will demonstrate the utmost objectivity. I will consciously avoid bias of any kind in selecting first, second and third place contestants. I will not consider any contestant's club, area, division or district affiliation. Nor will I consider any contestant's age, sex, race, creed, national origin, profession or political beliefs.
2. I will not time the speeches and will not consider the possibility of under-time or overtime when judging a contestant's speech.
3. I will support by word and deed the contest rules and judging standards, refrain from public criticism of the contest and only reveal my participation as a judge, scores and ranking in accordance with speech contest rules.
4. I am not a member of the same club as any contestant when judging at the division, district, semifinals and international levels.
5. I have no conflict of interest with any of the contestants that would cause me to be biased.

I certify that I am eligible to serve as a judge, under the current speech contest rules, and will uphold the Judge's Code of Ethics.

Signature

Printed Name