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## Official MICA Competition Policies

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<b>C01</b>	<b>Privacy</b>				
At all MICA sanctioned events, photos and videos may be collected and used for promotional materials. Names of participants will not be included. Participants may opt out via written request to the MICA Board of Directors at least seven days prior to the event.					
Adopted:	13Jan2002	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	29Sept2011

<b>C02</b>	<b>Incident Report</b>				
The official DI incident report form shall be available at all MICA sanctioned events; location determined by the Regional Director, Affiliate Tournament Director, or Affiliate Training Director. When an incident occurs, the completed incident report is to be turned into the Tournament Director or Training Director and a copy is to be sent to the Affiliate Director.					
Adopted:	6Nov2004	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	28July2012

<b>C04</b>	<b>Appraiser Qualifications</b>				
Anyone wishing to appraise at a MICA sanctioned tournament must be trained by a Challenge Master.					
Adopted:	6Aug2005	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	29Sept2011

<b>C05</b>	<b>Providing an Appraiser</b>				
All teams participating in a MICA tournament shall register one appraiser who will commit to working the entire tournament. MICA shall assess a "No-show appraiser fee" to those teams whose provided appraiser failed to meet their responsibilities. The following may take place (at the discretion of the Executive Committee):					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Tournament Director will notify the teams that their appraiser did not show and that they have an outstanding fine.</li> <li>2. If no appraiser is registered the team will be designated non-competitive for the competition day until this fine has been received by MICA.</li> <li>3. If the appraiser is registered and trained, but fails to attend the tournament, the team will not be allowed to compete in future tournaments until this fine has been received by MICA.</li> </ol>					
Adopted:	23Apr2006	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	16August2014

<b>C06</b>	<b>Advancement Qualifications</b>				
<p>All teams placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, at a regional tournament shall be allowed to advance to and compete at the MICA Affiliate Tournament provided the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. they have no outstanding fines or fees</li> <li>2. they have solved their Central Challenge &amp; participated in Instant Challenge</li> </ol> <p>Additional methods of qualification for the Affiliate Finals Tournament:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If there are 15 or more teams in a challenge site at the same level, then the 4<sup>th</sup> place team will advance.</li> <li>2. All teams that received a special award for their Team Challenge or Instant Challenge solution will be invited to advance.</li> <li>3. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, additional places from specific challenges/levels may be advanced from all of the Regions.</li> </ol>					
Adopted:	6Aug2005	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	17January2015

<b>C07</b>	<b>Schedules of Fees and Fines</b>																				
<p>Regional Tournament</p> <p>Registration Fees:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Competitive:</td> <td>\$60.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Non Competitive*:</td> <td>\$30.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Additional Fines:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Late Registration:</td> <td>\$50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No Show Appraisers:</td> <td>\$200.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Affiliate Tournament</p> <table> <tr> <td>Registration Fee:</td> <td>\$110.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Additional Fines:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>    Late Registration:</td> <td>\$50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>    No Show Appraisers:</td> <td>\$200.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Training Fees: (Set as needed)</p> <p>*Teams can choose to register as 'Non Competitive'. These teams will not receive scores from appraisers, but perform in exhibition for appraiser feedback only.</p>						Competitive:	\$60.00	Non Competitive*:	\$30.00	Late Registration:	\$50.00	No Show Appraisers:	\$200.00	Registration Fee:	\$110.00	Additional Fines:		Late Registration:	\$50.00	No Show Appraisers:	\$200.00
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<b>C08</b>	<b>Definition of a Tie</b>				
<p>Teams are tied when their total scaled scores differ by 1 point or less. In a multi team tie, teams are tied when their total scaled scores differ from the leading score for that place by 1 point or less.</p>					
Adopted:	8Oct2011	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	29Sept2011

<b>C09</b>	<b>Splitting a Competition Site</b>				
In order to have the option to split a competition site at a tournament:					
1. There must be more than 20 teams in that challenge in that level.					
2. Before any regional competition site may be split, the Regional Director must obtain approval from the Affiliate Director or the Affiliate Tournament Director.					
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<b>C10</b>	<b>Material Consideration for MICA Sanctioned Tournaments</b>				
If materials are left behind, teams will be responsible for immediate and thorough cleaning and/or drying of the competition site and safe disposal of materials. If cleaning does not meet the standards of the head appraiser, challenge master, or tournament director, deductions will be assessed.					
The following rules apply for specific materials:					
1. The use of helium and silly string are prohibited indoors.					
2. The use of water, loose glitter, and confetti under ½" in length is strongly discouraged.					
3. Dry Ice is permitted as long as the safety guidelines specified in Rules of the Road are followed.					
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<b>C11</b>	<b>Raw Score Concerns</b>				
All concerns regarding raw scores at a tournament must be voiced to a Head Appraiser or member of the MICA Board of Directors. Central Challenge raw scores can be obtained from the Head Appraiser or Challenge Master at the competition site until 1 hour after the last scheduled team competes. After this point, scores will be mailed upon team manager request.					
Adopted:	8Oct2011	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	3August2013

<b>C12</b>	<b>Tournament Day Team Manager Check-In</b>				
At any MICA tournament, all teams must report at the Check-In table at least one hour prior to their earliest competition time.					
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<b>C13</b>	<b>Wild Card Team Selection</b>				
If MICA is given the option of choosing Wild Card Team(s) to advance to the Global Finals Tournament, they will be chosen as follows:					
1. The team that is closest in overall score differential to the Global Finalist from any competition site.					
2. The executive committee may invite additional teams in accordance with the restrictions given to MICA.					
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<b>C14</b>	<b>Becoming Non-Competitive on Tournament Day</b>				
If a team violates one of the Rules of DI or MICA or if a team has unpaid fees on competition day, that team may be designated as 'Non-Competitive':					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The difference in Competitive versus Non-Competitive registration fee will not be refunded.</li> <li>2. The team will only receive appraiser comments, not scores.</li> </ol>					
Adopted:	3August2013	Last Review:	16August2014	Last Revision:	

<b>C15</b>	<b>Nut Allergies</b>				
It is the policy of the MICA Affiliate Board that teams not bring nut products to MICA sanctioned events. Food provided for the event by the MICA Affiliate Board will not contain ground or tree nuts.					
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<b>C16</b>	<b>Site-Specific Restrictions</b>				
MICA official regulations in regards to Site-Specific restrictions in Rules of the Road for the purpose of promoting consistency and safety at MICA sanctioned events:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Weapons are prohibited at all MICA sanctioned events due to the "zero-tolerance" weapons policies of the majority of Michigan schools. Obvious theatrical depictions of weapons are permitted exclusively during presentation of Team &amp; Instant Challenge solutions.</li> <li>2. Lights in a competition site may not be reduced or turned off due to safety concerns unless specifically required in the challenge.</li> </ol>					
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