



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
Online	Table Topics®	Tall Tales

Contest Level:

Club	Area	Division	District
Quarterfinal	Semifinal	World Championship	

Date of Contest (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Eligibility

To be a chief judge, voting judge, or tiebreaking judge at a Toastmasters speech contest, you must meet all eligibility requirements identified below (as outlined in the *Speech Contest Rulebook*, 2.Eligibility, D).

1. At a club contest, be a paid member.
2. At an Area, Division, or District contest:
 - a. Be a paid member for a minimum of six (6) months.
 - b. Have completed a minimum of six (6) speech projects in the *Competent Communication* manual or earned certificates of completion in Levels 1 and 2 of any path in the Toastmasters Pathways learning experience.
 1. Only members who joined Toastmasters prior to the rollout of Pathways in their region can apply speeches from the *Competent Communication* manual towards eligibility for judging.
 - c. Be physically present at the contest for which you are serving (Exception: contest officials in the Online Speech Contest).
3. At the International Speech Contest Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and the World Championship of Public Speaking:
 - a. Be a paid member for a minimum of six (6) months.
 1. The club must also be in good standing.
 - b. Be at least an Advanced Toastmaster Bronze or Advanced Communicator Bronze, or have completed at least one (1) path in the Toastmasters Pathways learning experience.
 1. Only members who joined Toastmasters prior to the rollout of Pathways in their region can apply speeches from the *Competent Communication* manual to eligibility for judging.
 - c. Have previously judged a Toastmasters speech contest at the Area, Division, District, or semifinal level.

Judge's Code of Ethics

1. I will uphold the Toastmasters core values of integrity, service, respect, and excellence.
2. I will demonstrate the utmost objectivity by consciously avoiding bias of any kind in selecting first, second, and third place contestants.
3. I will not consider any contestant's club, Area, Division, District, or region affiliation.
4. I will not consider any contestant's age, race, color, creed, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national or ethnic origin, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability.
5. I will not time the speeches and will not consider the possibility of undertime or overtime when judging a contestant's speech.
6. 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, my selected scores, and the ranking I assigned in accordance with speech contest rules.
7. I am not a member of the same club as any contestant when judging at the Division, District, quarterfinal, semifinal and final levels.
8. 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. I acknowledge that by serving as a judge I am no longer eligible to compete in this contest type at any level, in any District, for this contest cycle.

Full Name: _____

Member Number: _____

District: _____

Signature: _____

Date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____