

# SCIENCE OLYMPIAD APPEAL FORM

*ONLY COACH OR ASSISTANT COACH OF RECORD MAY INITIATE AN APPEAL*

Event \_\_\_\_\_ Division \_\_\_\_\_ Team Number \_\_\_\_\_

Coach \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Coach CELL No. \_\_\_\_\_

What rule/procedure do you feel was violated? (Cite specific page # and paragraph from rule book)

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How was the rule/procedure not followed? (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

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Provide a **suggested resolution** or fix that is equitable to your team and all others competing:

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**Appealing Coach/Assistant Coach of Record Signature w/ Cell Phone #**

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

Event Supervisor's Opinion: (Arbitration Committee Meets w/Event Supe)

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**Event Supervisor's Signature**

Arbitrator's Resolution: (The decision of the arbitrators is final)

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**Arbitrator's Signature**

**RETURN FORM TO SCORING ROOM. DECISION POSTED 1 HOUR AFTER RECEIVED.**

# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING AN APPEAL**

**REMEMBER:** Event Supervisors are extremely busy during the competition. Please do not interfere with an event while others are competing. Only coach or assistant coach of record may file an appeal and talk with the arbitration committee. No parents or teachers.

- 1. STUDENT(S) MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM WITH THE EVENT SUPERVISOR DURING THE EVENT BEFORE ASKING COACH TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN APPEAL.**
- 2. THIS FORM MUST BE TURNED IN TO SCORING ROOM WITHIN 1 HOUR AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE EVENT IN QUESTION. IF CIRCUMSTANCES PREVENT FILING WITHIN THIS TIME LIMIT, THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE MAY, AT THEIR DISCRETION, ACCEPT A LATE APPEAL.**
- 3. PLEASE BE SPECIFIC IN YOUR APPEAL. BE SURE TO IDENTIFY THE EXACT RULE/PROCEDURE THAT YOU FEEL WAS NOT FOLLOWED. APPEALS THAT ARE GENERAL IN NATURE MAY BE REJECTED BY THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE. WHILE ALL APPEALS WILL BE GIVEN APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION, THOSE THAT FOCUS ON TEAMS OTHER THAN YOUR OWN MUST HAVE STRONG SUPPORTIVE EVIDENCE IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE OFFICIAL TEAM COACH OR ASSISTANT COACH OF RECORD.**
- 4. THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE WILL OBTAIN THE EVENT SUPERVISORS OPINION AND SIGNATURE.**
- 5. THE DECISION OF THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE IS FINAL. IF A TEAM COACH OR ASSISTANT, OR ANY OTHER PERSON AFFILIATED WITH A TEAM CONTINUES TO ARGUE THEIR CASE THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE MAY PENALIZE THE TEAM'S OVERALL POINTS. IF IT IS APPEARS A COACH, ASSISTANT COACH OR ANYONE ELSE AFFILIATED WITH THE TEAM IS "HARRASSING" THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE OR ANY SCIENCE OLYMPIAD STAFF MEMBER, THE TEAM COULD BE BANNED FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY SCIENCE OLYMPIAD THE FOLLOWING YEAR.**