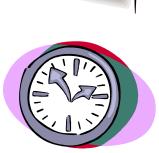


## National Ocean Sciences Bowl

## Rules Judge

## What Do I Do?

- 1. You are responsible for ensuring that the rules are followed:
  - This includes ensuring that the no one signals/communicates with the competitors during a match. If communication does occur, you have the authority to ask the person to leave the room (without causing undue duress).
  - No unsportsmanlike behavior is allowed (towards competitors or officials).
  - Ensure that quiet is maintained in competition room per NOSB rules.
- 2. Stand in the front of the room, so that you can see all officials, teams, and audience.
- 3. Double check that the competition room is set up according to NOSB standards.
- 4. Warnings
  - If a rule is broken you may, at your discretion, give one warning to the offending team or individual.
  - You have the authority to ask a disruptive observer to leave the room.
  - For repeat or more serious problems, call in the Chief Rules Judge, and step outside the competition room to confer.
- 5. Pass out Team Challenge Questions (TCQs) and collect extra papers at the end of each TCQ.
- 6. Collect all used scratch papers from teams at the beginning of the match, at the half, and at the conclusion.
- 7. Time: "Stop the Clock!"
  - Ensure that the clock is stopped during challenges/discussions between officials, and between officials and students.



## **Challenge?**

• Ask the timekeeper to stop the clock