



2017 International Club Debate League: Rules and Guidelines

- Debate
 - No new arguments are allowed after the Defense Speeches. New evidence is not recommended after the defense speeches. Judges should consider the lateness and inability of the other team to respond to new evidence at that point in the round.
 - Opening cases and speeches should not heavily rely on pre-written material. For example, note cards should be used for opening speeches.
 - Only one student is allowed to ask questions and only one student is allowed to answer during cross-examination.
 - Teams will be side-locked and debate an even distribution of sides.
- Electronics
 - Remember, students are not allowed to debate off of their electronic devices. If a team requests access to a PDF this can be pulled after the round or in an evidence challenge. Otherwise, full citations or printed material will suffice. Phones may be used as timers as long as they are on airplane mode.
- Judges
 - **GIVE BALLOT TO BALLOT RUNNER, SUBMIT BALLOT ON TABROOM, OR RETURN TO BALLOT TABLE BEFORE RFD.**
 - Judges should decide the round based on the quality of the debating, not their personal beliefs.
 - Judges should take notes and be attentive.
 - Though not mandatory, judges should disclose and explain their reason for decision. Give students constructive criticism. Leave them with your knowledge!



Format Layout

Pro Opening Speech | Pro 1st Speaker | 4mins
 Cross Examination | Pro 1st Speaker v Con 2nd Speaker | 2mins
 Con Opening Speech | Con 1st Speaker | 4mins
 Cross Examination | Con 1st Speaker v Pro 1st Speaker | 2mins

Con Attack Speech | Con 2nd Speaker | 3mins
 Cross Examination | Con 2nd Speaker v Pro 2nd Speaker | 2mins
 Pro Attack Speech | Pro 2nd Speaker | 3mins
 Cross Examination | Pro 2nd Speaker v Con 1st Speaker | 2mins

Pro Defense Speech | Pro 1st Speaker | 2mins
 Con Defense Speech | Con 1st Speaker | 2mins
 Pro Summary | Pro 2nd Speaker | 2mins
 Con Summary | Con 2nd Speaker | 2mins

<p>Delivery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articulation • Vocal Variety • Use of Pauses • Use of Tone • Eye Contact • Hand Gestures • Body Movements • Powerful Wording <p>Organization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Points Outlined • Effective Transitions • Reasons to Support Claim <p>Comparison</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claim Comparison • Evidence Evaluation • Argument reasoning <p>Closing The Debate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persuasively bring the debate together • Clear conceptualization of the debate 	<p>Opening & Closings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attention-Getter • Clear Statement of Arguments • Memorable Closings • Summarize the speech <p>Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was their Support? • Use of Examples • Credible Statistics • Expert Support • Evidence Citation • Analogies <p>Refutation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responses • Logical and orderly • Well prepared & Thought-out <p>Cross-Examination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respectfulness • Likeability • Relatability 	<p>Coverage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Answering Opponent • Close the door on opponent arguments • Select Winning Argument <p>Logos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Argument Well Structured • Sound logic <p>Pathos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective Emotional Appeal • Draw the audience in <p>Value Comparison</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify Values • Weigh Values
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