

Section
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The Tournament

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Section 3 – The Tournament

3.1 – Overview

The CREATE Open will be played in a tournament format. Each tournament will include *practice*, *qualifying*, and *finals matches*. After the *qualifying matches*, teams will be ranked based on their performance. The top teams will then participate in the *finals matches* to determine the event champions.

3.2 – Tournament Definitions

Crystal Verification – The approval of the tournament officials of the radio frequency or WiFi method used to control the robot. A team must have an approved method and/or RF frequency to controlling their robot.

Finals Match – A match used to determine the championship team. Teams in the finals get one round to post the best score to determine the event champion.

Practice Match – An un-scored match used to provide time for teams to get acquainted to the official playing field.

Qualifying Match – A match used to determine the rankings used to determine which teams move on to the finals. Teams will compete in three rounds. Scores from all three rounds will be added together to determine a team's qualification score total.

3.3 – Practice Matches

At the event *Practice matches* will be played during the team registration time until the Drivers Meeting begins. Every effort will be made to equalize practice time for all teams, but will be conducted on a first-come, first-served basis. These matches are not scored, and will not affect team ranking.

3.4 – Qualifying Matches

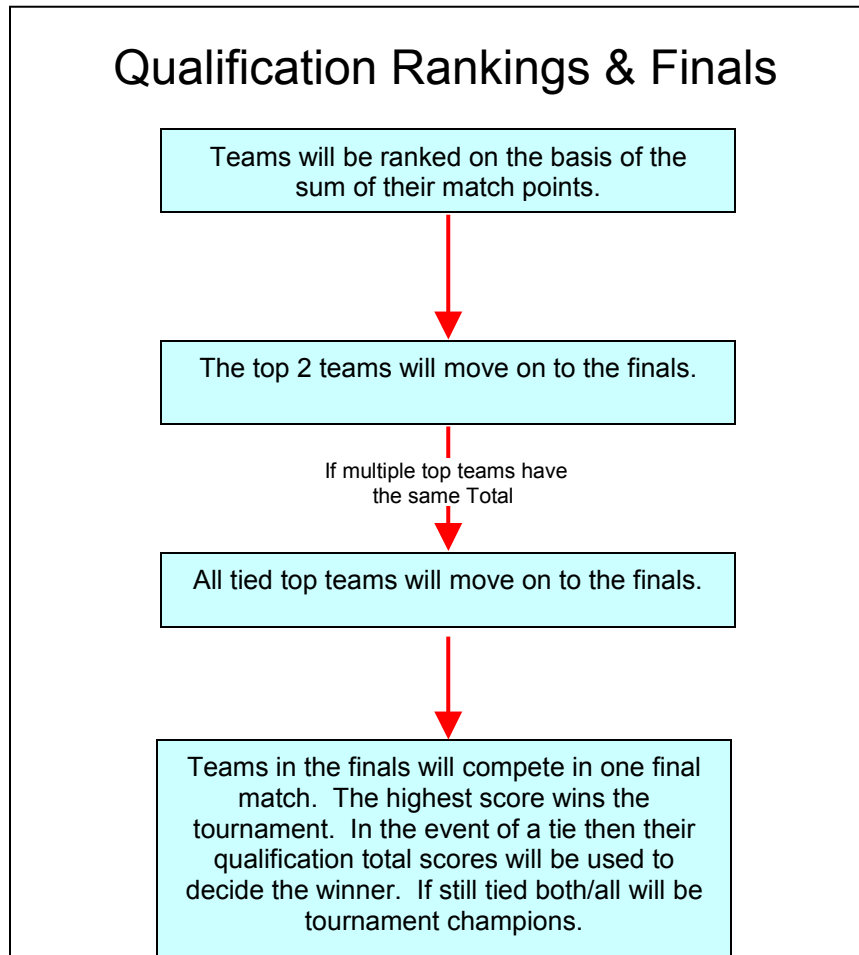
3.4.1 – Schedule

- The *qualifying match* schedule will be available prior to opening ceremonies on the day of competition. This schedule will indicate team number and approximate match time.
- The *qualifying matches* will start immediately after the driver's meeting in accordance with the qualifying match schedule.
- All teams will be **scored** on the same number, three (3), *qualifying matches*.

3.4.2 – Rankings

- At the conclusion of each match the score will be added to a teams total qualification score. If a team is disqualified they receive zero (0) points.

Qualification Rankings & Finals



3.6 – Tournament Rules

<T01> Referees have ultimate authority during the competition. **Their rulings are final.**

- a. The referees will not review any recorded replays.
- b. Any questions for the referees must be brought forward by a driver within the time period of two (2) matches.

<T02> The only people permitted by the playing field are three drive team members. (Two drivers and one coach or observer.)

<T03> There are no time outs in the qualifying rounds; in the finals rounds, each team will be allotted one (1) time out of no more than three minutes. The matches must progress according to schedule.

- a. If a robot cannot report for a match, at least one member of the team should report to the field for the match.

<T04> **All team members, including coaches, must wear safety glasses or glasses with side shields while in the pit or driver stations during matches.**