



U.S. Open Robotics Championship Policies and Guidelines

We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation in following these site specific rules.

- No large banners or signs that would restrict the view of other teams in the pit area, competition area or anywhere that would obstruct the view of fans or participants.
- No portable music devices. Additionally no loud noise makers that could interfere with announcements. (It would be disappointing to have a team be disqualified if they missed their match because they could not hear the announcer calling for their team.)
- Outside food and drink is prohibited by Arena officials.
- Name tags and wristbands are to be worn at all times.

What to Bring

Required:

- Laptop Computer with power cord.
- All tools needed to repair your robot. (No large power tools please.)
- Safety glasses for all team members coaches and mentors

Highly Recommended:

- Engineering Notebook (These are to be submitted at the beginning of your judges interview and will be returned to your pit table. Notebooks are optional.)
- Prior to arriving at the event review the Inspection Checklist and Guide. By pre inspecting your own robot you will ensure you can pass inspection quickly.
- A backup of your program on disk or CD.
- Carrying case for robot/equipment and all the spare parts you will need.
- Power Strip
- Emergency contact number (for team members)
- Note paper and pens/pencils
- Extra Batteries for your robot and controller
- Team Spirit
- Enough money for lunch/snacks.

Optional:

- Things to promote competitive robotics and your team.
- Gifts (Small trinkets to share with other teams.)
- Pit Decorations (Make a positive statement about your team and your sponsors! We do ask that any decorations be limited to things that you can tape to your table and do not obstruct walkways or visibility to other teams.)
- Costumes (Identify your team with a unique "uniform".)

What Not to Bring

- Valuables (Jewelry, video games, large amount of money, etc.) *The tournament hosts are not responsible for lost or damaged items.*
- Loud noise makers
- Stereo/music devices (Personal music devices like iPods are fine.)

General Recommendations

- Make sure to label all your equipment and materials with your team number or school name.
- Before arriving at the event make sure your team reads and understands all the scoring and current rules for the game.
- Open toed shoes are not recommended and are heavily discouraged.