



Returning Coaches
Eastern Region Coaches Training
November 2, 2024

Program Guide Changes

- **Membership Sign** – now just needs to show official membership name and not membership number. Official name is found in Membership Area and it the one you used registering for official competitions.
- **Materials** – props, backdrops, costumes, etc. that are part of a school closet or other storage are no longer considered Outside Assistance and penalized if used by other teams. Now considered as commercial products and scored accordingly.
- **Spontaneous** teams will receive 2 copies of the problem to follow along as judge reads the problem aloud.

Clarifications

Confused by a problem element?
Avoid losing points and
improve team's solution by asking for
clarification from HQ.

- **Make sure you check the Public Clarifications first**



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General Clarifications

General clarifications amend or further explain a problem's limitations without revealing information about a team's solution. The clarifications below take precedence over limitations listed in the problem and the rules in the Program Guide, so it's important that teams keep current on all general clarifications issued throughout the year.

Problem 1 Vehicle **Problem 2 Technical** **Problem 3 Classics** **Problem 4 Structure** **Problem 5 Performance**

Problem 1: The OM-Mazing Race

— Oct 10, 2024

A - The Problem: The host interview with a racing character is not required for score but if presented it will be considered when scoring D/b.

B8b(4) - Stuck in the mud: the vehicle must lift itself, the racing character, any riders, and anything on the vehicle to the required height listed for their division (Division I - 5", Division II-IV - 6"). The vehicle is not required to travel while lifted.

B9 - The Racing Characters: at least one of the Racing Characters portrayed by a team member in costume must be on the vehicle at any time it is traveling or completing an obstacle for score.

Problem 2: Mech-Animal Sidekick

— October 10, 2024

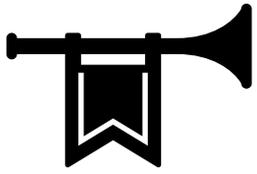
B7a(4) - The three tricks performed by the device—Walk: the device must travel while walking and the travel may be in any direction across the floor. There is no distance requirement for the travel but it must be visibly obvious to the judges and audience.

Problem 3: Classics...Cooking with Books

TEAM-SPECIFIC CLARIFICATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 15!



- Remember that the response you get from your clarification request will be short & sweet, so frame questions to maximize the help. Refer to problem element in question i.e. *11a The team-created cooking gadget...*
- Submit requests early so team can use the information or follow up.
- Include team solution details to get the best info. They will NOT be posted. “What happens in Clarifications stays in Clarifications”



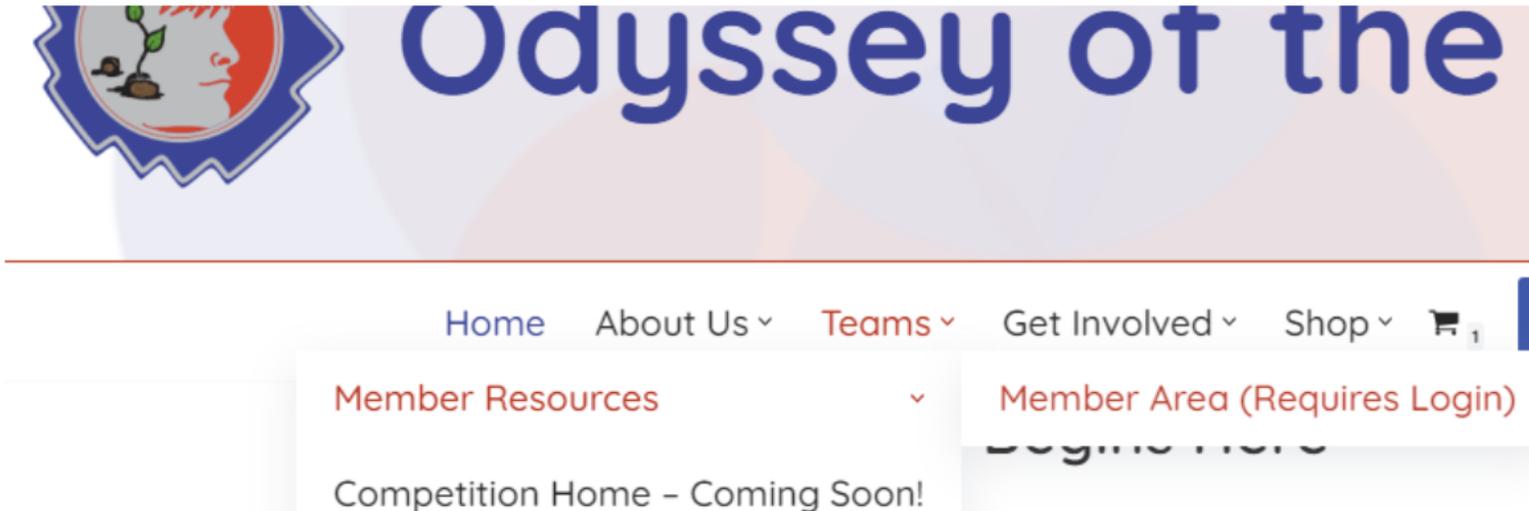
NEW CLARIFICATION PROCEDURE

Submit Clarifications

📅 Posted September 16, 2024 ✎ Updated September 24, 2024 📊 Views 196

How to submit Clarifications using the new Odyssey of the Mind system.

Log into www.OdysseyoftheMind.com Member's Area



5. At the bottom of the page, select your problem

[Guide](#), so it's important that teams keep current on all general clarifications issued throughout the year by clicking "[Read Clarifications](#)" below.

taken to tournaments, to affirm that a team's solution is valid. For full details, please consult the [Program Guide](#). To submit your request, click "[Submit Clarifications](#)" below.

clarifications are ONLY seen by Odyssey of the Mind association representatives.

**SUBMIT
CLARIFICATIONS**



**Problem 1:
Vehicle**



**Problem 2:
Technical**



**Problem 3:
Classics**



**Problem 4:
Structure**



**Problem 5:
Performance**

Please take note:

The clarification system is not intended to replace reading the problem and program guide. Teams should read the problem and its limitations, all general clarifications, and the general rules listed in the [Program Guide](#) **BEFORE** requesting a clarification.

4. Find the problem section which needs Clarification

Problem 2



Problem 2



B1. General Rules

Questions 0

Answers 0

Posts 0



B3. Time Limit

Questions 0

Answers 0

Posts 0

5. Click the 'Ask a Question' button

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B1. General Rules

Ask a question

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6. Title your question and enter it in the body. Click 'Ask a Question' when complete

B1. General Rules ✕

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Subscribe to this question

Please designate **Division and **Association** with checkbox and dropdown respectively*

7. The clarification team will respond within 2 weeks or sooner! Once a response is available, you will receive an email.

Provide a Judge & Volunteer

- We can't run successful tournaments without your help! Many volunteers are needed to provide a great competition
- When you register your team for the tournament, you must also register a judge and volunteer to work at the tournament.
- Volunteers will work a 3–4 hrs. shift at the tournament and we will schedule them so they can see their team perform.
- Judges will attend an online Judges Training session Saturday, February 15, 2025, and will be judging most of the tournament day March 1, 2025
- Judges will **NOT** be able to see their team perform.
- Anybody can be a volunteer and/or judge. Check with friends, neighbors, relatives, and former OMERs over 18 yrs.
- **Tournament Registration deadline is January 15, 2025.**



IMPORTANT DATES



- Tournament Registration Early Bird (\$125/team; \$25/Primary) December 24, 2024
- FINAL Registration Deadline (\$175/team; \$25/Primary) January 15, 2025
- Clarification Request Deadline February 15, 2025
- Eastern Regional Tournament: March 1, 2025 @ Wakefield HS, Raleigh
- NCOM State Finals March 22, 2025 in Jacksonville