

# JUDGE'S CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY AND CODE OF ETHICS



All judges must complete this form before the contest and submit it to the chief judge at each level of competition.

**Name of Contest:**  Evaluation  Humorous  International  Table Topics  Tall Tales  
(check one)

**Contest Level:**  Club  Area  Division  District  Semifinal  World Championship

Date of Contest: \_\_\_\_\_

## Eligibility

1. Judges at club contests shall be members in good standing.
2. Judges at area, division, and district speech contests shall:
  - a. Be a Toastmasters member in good standing for a minimum of six months.
  - b. Have completed a minimum of six speech projects in the *Competent Communication* manual.
3. Judges at the semifinal and International contests shall be at least an Advanced Toastmaster Bronze or Advanced Communicator Bronze and have previously judged a Toastmasters speech contest at area, division, district, or semifinal level.
4. Judges are not eligible to compete in this contest cycle for this type of contest.

## Judge's Code of Ethics

1. I will demonstrate the utmost objectivity. I will consciously avoid bias of any kind in selecting first, second and third place contestants. I will not consider any contestant's club, area, division or district affiliation. Nor will I consider any contestant's age, sex, race, creed, national origin, profession or political beliefs.
2. I will not time the speeches and will not consider the possibility of under-time or overtime when judging a contestant's speech.
3. I will support by word and deed the contest rules and judging standards, refrain from public criticism of the contest and only reveal my participation as a judge, scores and ranking in accordance with speech contest rules.
4. I am not a member of the same club as any contestant when judging at the division, district, semifinals and international levels.
5. I have no conflict of interest with any of the contestants that would cause me to be biased.

I certify that I am eligible to serve as a judge, under the current speech contest rules, and will uphold the Judge's Code of Ethics.

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Signature

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Printed Name