

## **Cheating**

- (1) An individual who cheats during the competition will be penalized by disqualification of the team from that event. Disqualification results in a score that is three points greater than the number of teams registered in the region.
- (2) If cheating occurs by a team in more than one event, or in successive years, the team may be disqualified that year, or the following year, from the entire competition.
- (3) If an event team, or team member, or anyone associated with the team, deliberately takes an action that impairs the ability of other teams to fairly compete, that team will be disqualified from the event and awarded three points greater than the number of teams registered in the region. In addition, the event team member(s) involved in the incident may be ineligible for any future Science Olympiad competitions. Furthermore, the teams may be penalized points not to exceed the value of two last place rankings.

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