

FIRST Robotics Competition — Volunteer Position Description

JUDGE ADVISOR

Nominated by Regional Planning Committee; recruited by FIRST

POSITION SUMMARY

Plan, organize, and facilitate the judging process and award deliberations. Does not interview teams, nor participate in awards recipient selection. Resolve any award disputes in a diplomatic manner. Serve as role model for the competitors.

BENEFITS OF THE POSITION

- Make a difference in the lives of youth by creating a fun, meaningful, and inspirational experience for team members
- High visibility role
- Recognition of service in Regional Program Book
- Community exposure
- Networking opportunities
- Ability to positively impact quality of event

ACTIVITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Demonstrate Gracious Professionalism
- Participate in training opportunities offered by FIRST
- Conduct Judge training at the Judge orientation and dinner meeting
- Assign judge responsibilities
- Distribute password to access any FIRST award submissions, as required
- Set daily schedule of activities; facilitate adherence to schedule
- Edit awards script
- Direct Judge Assistant activities
- Exercise definitive decision-making authority for determining award recipients in cases of dispute

EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS NEEDED

- Minimum two years experience as a Judge at a FIRST Regional/and or the Championship
- Strong leadership, facilitation skills
- Strong organizational skills
- Strong interpersonal/communication skills
- Strong writing skills
- Thorough knowledge of award criteria and selection process
- Ability to move about the facility

TRAINING

Training offered by FIRST headquarters prior to start of competition season. A comprehensive Judge Advisor Manual and Judge Manual is provided by FIRST, as well as email communications and one-on-one support. First year Judge Advisors are trained by a veteran Judge Advisor at an event prior to assuming full responsibilities at own regional.

TIME COMMITMENT AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Commitment: Thursday, Friday and Saturday

DAY/SHIFT	ACTIVITIES
Judge Advisor determines start time <i>* Shift times may vary by regional event</i>	
Thursday 2pm-5pm 6pm-8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit competition venue, ensure preparations are complete (Recommended)• Attend Judge Orientation Dinner Meeting, conduct training
Friday and Saturday 8AM-5PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Perform duties

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPERVISION

Support provided by Lead Judge Advisors