

## General Rules for Competitions

- 100.1. Each divisional winner is automatically eligible for the jurisdiction competitions. It is assumed that each chapter will have a runoff and then each division will conduct its own competitions.
- 100.2. All competitors must be a DeMolay in good standing and have said both obligations in open chapter, and be registered for the full event where competitions are being held.
- 100.3. The competitors must not have reached their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.
- 100.4. The Jurisdiction winner for individual ritual competitions is not eligible to compete in the same category in future years.
- 100.5. There will be no grace period. If the competitor is not at the assigned site at the designated time, it will constitute a forfeit unless an excuse has been received and approved by the Competition Advisor prior to the competition.
- 100.6. Original MATOC rules apply to all ritual competitions.
- 100.7. No part may be filled by more than one person in a TOC competition.
- 100.8. If a speaking part in a Ritual competition is filled with a member from another chapter, 100 points will be deducted from the final score.
- 100.9. A non-speaking role in a Ritual competition may be filled by a proficient member from another chapter without penalty.
- 100.10. Judging panel for jurisdiction level Ritual competitions must consist of at least two judges for each appropriate category:
- Ritual Judge
  - Direction Judge
  - Performance Judge
- 100.11. The competitor in a Ritual competition with the highest number of remaining points will be declared the winner. If a tie exists, the competitor with the lowest number of ritual errors will be declared the winner. The minimum scores acceptable for a winner to be declared in a competition when there is only one competitor are as follows:

Contest	Minimum Score	Time Limit
Chapter Proficiency	700	40
Initiatory Degree	700	60
DeMolay Degree (1-3)	700	60
DeMolay Degree (4)	850	20
Ceremony of Light	800	20
Flower Talk	800	20
RD Ceremony	850	20
Installation	850	60
Recognition Pin	850	15
Majority Service	700	20
Magnificent Seven	800	20

- 100.12. Each chapter will provide its own robes, costumes, props, etc., that are required for the presentation of the ritual.
- 100.13. The Director of Ritual will receive the completed sets of judging sheets for MATOC based competitions and audit the results.
- 100.14. Competitions may not be held in all of the ritual competitions in any given year. However, the Executive Officer may, upon recommendation from the Director of Ritual or the Competition Advisor, designate a chapter or individual to represent the in European based competitions.
- 100.15. SOURCES
- Closed Competitions: Ritual of Secret Work of the Order of DeMolay, Thirteenth Edition, 1984 (CORRECTED).
  - Open Competitions: Monitor of Ceremonies of the Order of DeMolay, Fifth Edition, 1985.

- The Mid-Atlantic Tournament of Champions (MATOC) "Rules, Contest Procedures, and Specifics" as found on the MATOC web site.