

FLORIDA SCIENCE OLYMPIAD APPEAL FORM

ONLY STUDENTS MAY INITIATE AN APPEAL

Your Event _____ Division _____ Team Number _____

Your Coach _____ Team _____ Coach CELL No. _____

STUDENTS: Tell us what rule/procedure you feel was violated? (Cite specific page # and paragraph from manual)

STUDENTS: Tell us how rule/procedure was not followed (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

STUDENTS: Give us a suggested resolution or fix that is equitable to your team and all others competing:

1. Get Signatures

Students' Signatures

Appealing Coach's Signature w/ Phone #

Event Supervisor's Opinion (Please do not interrupt judging) *Supervisors – provide SPECIFIC information to help the arbitration team make a decision.*

2. Take to judge, and get judge's signature

Event Supervisor's Signature

Arbitrator's Resolution: (The decision of the arbitrators is final)

3. Return to help desk

Arbitrator's Signature

RETURN FORM TO HELP DESK. DECISION POSTED AT HELP DESK.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING AN APPEAL

REMEMBER: Event judges are extremely busy during the competition. Please do not interfere with an event while others are competing. Only students may file an appeal and talk with the appeals committee. No parents or teachers.

- 1. MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM WITH THE EVENT SUPERVISOR (JUDGE) BEFORE SUBMITTING A WRITTEN APPEAL.**
- 2. THIS FORM MUST BE TURNED IN TO HELP DESK WITHIN 1 HOUR AFTER THE TEAM COMPETES IN THE EVENT, EXCEPT IN THE FINAL HOUR; THE TEAM MUST APPEAL IMMEDIATELY. IF CIRCUMSTANCES PREVENT FILING WITHIN THIS TIME LIMIT, THE APPEALS COMMITTEE MAY, AT THEIR DISCRETION, ACCEPT A LATE APPEAL.**
- 3. PLEASE BE SPECIFIC IN YOUR APPEAL. BE SURE TO IDENTIFY THE EXACT RULE/PROCEDURE THAT YOU FEEL WAS NOT FOLLOWED. APPEALS THAT ARE GENERAL IN NATURE MAY BE REJECTED BY THE APPEALS COMMITTEE. THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE OFFICIAL COACH OF THE TEAM.**
- 4. THE EVENT SUPERVISOR (JUDGE) MUST SIGN THIS FORM BEFORE IT IS SUBMITTED TO THE APPEALS COMMITTEE. HE/SHE MAY ENTER HIS/HER RESPONSE ON THIS FORM, OR ENTER THE TIME NOTIFIED AND RESPOND TO THE APPEALS COMMITTEE BEFORE THE FINAL SCORING FOR THE EVENT IS COMPLETED.**
- 5. THE DECISION OF THE APPEALS COMMITTEE IS FINAL.**