



JUDGES INSTRUCTIONS

In an effort to be as fair as possible to all contestants, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Ask all contestants the same questions or bring up the same points. Suggestion: Write down the questions you want to ask or points you wish to raise before conducting the role-play with the first contestant.
- The same judge must do the role-play with all the contestants.
- The second judge should observe quietly and not distract the contestant.
- Each contestant should be allotted the same amount of time -no exceptions- the contestants are aware of the time limit and it is an important part of the competition. Refer to the individual instructions for your event for the exact time limit.
- Please make the role-play seem as realistic as possible.
- Contestants are allowed to bring notes with them into the role-play.
- Only one rating sheet should be completed on each contestant. It can be completed by the judge observing or it can be a collaboration of both judges as long as it is done the same way for each contestant.
- Please fill out the rating sheets in pencil. Once evaluation is complete, please add scores and complete total in ink with judges' initials next to total score.
- Keep all rating sheets until all contestants have completed their role-play in case you find it necessary to make adjustments.
- You are encouraged to give written feedback to the contestants on the rating sheets.

DO NOT BE CONCERNED WITH BREAKING TIES. We have built in tie-breakers and in many cases the role-play score is averaged with a test score.