

Changes for 2023-2024

1. Chapter II/Under Community Groups:

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Established community groups and businesses such as Rotary, church groups, libraries, etc. may purchase a membership under the group's name. A community group may not be organized for the sole purpose of competing in Odyssey of the Mind, that is, it must have an established mission other than participating in the program.

2. Chapter V Rules that apply to all problems

- Rule #15/pg 37 sentence added at end: This is subject to change according to rules at different tournament site locations. If there's a question about part of a solution, teams should ask the Tournament Director if something is allowed or disallowed at the venue.
- Rule #17/pg 38 Drones added.
- New Rule added #28: The use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology for any part of a team's solution is considered Outside Assistance.
- Assigning Cost now #29.
- Exempt items/pg 44 paragraph:

These must be listed along with everything else on the Cost Form but with \$0 assigned to it. Anything not listed below that is used in the presentation of the team's solution must be shown on the Cost Form.

- Penalty Categories: Incorrect or Missing Membership sign new point deduction noted (Incorrect -2, Missing -5)
- Over Time Limit new point deduction noted (-1 point for every 2 seconds or fraction thereof)

3. Glossary

Self-contained definition slightly amended — every aspect of a required component is independent of anything external. For example, if a self-contained item must travel, all parts of the item will travel — unless AC power is specifically allowed in the problem's limitations. If a team uses AC power, the cord providing the energy is allowed to remain plugged in and does not need to move as part of the solution. The cord does not count towards score.

4. Basic Updating

Any other area with a date/year was updated and the Spirit Award Winner was changed to 2023 Winner Dr. Lisa Hackney.