

# LA MARTINIERE MOOT COURT 2023

# **EVENT HANDBOOK**

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## **MOOT COURT RULES AND PROCEDURE**

#### **Preliminary Rounds:**

- The Preliminary round shall comprise of Two Rounds of oral arguments subject to the allotment of team codes. In the preliminary round, each team shall be required to argue either as a petitioner or a respondent, as allotted at the beginning of the competition.
- Each team will get a total of 60 minutes to present their case. This time will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time (if permitted by the judge(s)). The division of time per speaker is left to the discretion of the team subject with a minimum of 30 minutes per speaker and not more than 45 Minutes per speaker. Rebuttals can be assigned a time period of not more than 8 minutes.
- The oral arguments should be confined to the issues presented in the memorial. The researchers may sit with the speakers during the oral rounds. No two Teams will argue against each other more than once in the Preliminary Rounds.
- The winners of the preliminary round shall qualify for the Semi-Final Rounds. For the qualification from the Preliminary Rounds to the Semi-Finals, the top 8 teams of their separate pools as per their total scores shall move into the next round. In case more than one team scores the same number of points, the winning difference of the rounds of the respective teams shall be taken into consideration.

#### **Semi Final Rounds:**

The winner of the Preliminary rounds shall be declared qualified for the Semi Final Rounds. Each team will get a total of 60 minutes to present their case which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time (if permitted by the judge(s)).



### **MOOT COURT RULES AND PROCEDURE**

#### **Pool Finale Rounds:**

The winner of the Semi Final rounds shall be declared qualified for the Pool Finale Rounds. Each team will get a total of 60 minutes to present their case which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time (if permitted by the judge(s)).

#### **Grand Finale Rounds:**

The two teams who stand declared as winners of the Pool Finale Rounds shall qualify for the Grand Finale Rounds. Each team will get a total of 60 minutes to present their case which will include rebuttal and sur-rebuttal time (if permitted by the judge(s)). The Winner of the Grand Finale Round shall be declared as Winner of the Competition in the Closing Ceremony of the Competition.



#### **RULES FOR MEMORIALS**

All memorials submitted for all purposes of the Competition shall strictly adhere to the rules of the Competition. Each Team participating in the Competition must prepare one Memorial on behalf of Petitioner(s)/ Appellant(s) and one on behalf of the Respondent(s).

Petitioner memorials are required to have a Blue cover and Respondent memorials are required to have a Red cover. Moreover, each team is required to bring 3 hard copies of each of the two memorials. One copy of the memorial shall be submitted to the respective Judge for personal evaluation, one copy shall be retained by the organizers whereas the third copy may be used by the respective team for personal use. Negative marking shall be in order in case a team fails to submit the same.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR FORMATTING:**

- 1. Memorial Structure: The memorial must have the following pages only:
- i. **Cover Page** The cover page shall contain the case title, side of the memorial, year of competition, name of the Court and team Code on top right corner.
- ii. Table of Contents
- iii. List of Abbreviations
- iv. Index of Authorities
- v. Statement of Jurisdiction
- vi. Statement of Facts
- vii. Issues Raised
- viii. Summary of Arguments
- ix. Pleadings / Arguments Advanced
- x. Prayer



### **RULES FOR MEMORIALS**

- 2. **Team Code** (<u>assigned by the host</u>): The team code, as mentioned in the confirmation by the <u>lamartinierelawsociety.2023@gmail.com</u> must be mentioned on the top right corner of the cover page.
- 3. **Content Specifications**: The following content specifications must be strictly adhered to:
- i. Font and Size (General) Times New Roman, 12 pts
- ii. Line Spacing (General) 1.5 lines
- iii. Font and Size (Footnotes) Times New Roman, 10 pts
- iv. Line Spacing (Footnotes) Single line
- v. Page Margins 1 inch on all sides
- vi. The citation should be in compliance with the 21st edition of Bluebook.



#### FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

- I. The two teams from each school shall be segregated into Team A and Team B, to be put under Pool A and Pool B respectively.
- II. The pool system shall have the following rounds:
  - 1. Preliminary Round
  - 2. Semi Final Round
  - 3. Pool Final Round
- III. The aforementioned rounds will be conducted intra-pool i.e. no fixtures will be made between teams belonging to different pools.
- IV. The qualification of teams in the preliminary round will be done on the basis of leaderboard standings of the respective teams.
- V. The qualification of teams from semi final round onwards will be given to the winners of each individual fixture, and not on the basis of leaderboard standings.
- VI. The winners of the pool final rounds of both the pools will confront each other in the grand finale.

Note: In case of evaluation of all the Rounds, in order to break a tie, the Memorial Marks shall be included to decide the merit.



## **AWARDS**

The awards for the Moot Court competition shall be as follows:

(i) **PRELIMINARY ROUND**: NO AWARDS SHALL BE AWARDED

#### (ii) **SEMI FINAL ROUND**:

- **Best Speaker**: 4 (Best Speaker from each of the 4 fixtures)
- Best Researcher: 4 (Best Researcher from each of the 4 fixtures)

#### (iii) POOL FINALE ROUND:

- Best Speaker: 2 (Best Speaker from the 2 fixtures)
- **Best Researcher**: 2 (Best Researcher from the 2 fixtures)

#### (iv) GRAND FINALE ROUND:

- Best Speaker
- Best Researcher
- Best Memorial
- Winners

#### Note:

- **Participation Certificates** shall be awarded to each participant, only if they are present in the Closing Ceremony.
- Certificates of Merit shall be awarded to the winners of the awards
- Trophy will be awarded to the winners of the Grand Finale Round.



# **SCHEDULE**

<u>Day 0: 28th November</u>	
Registrations and Orientation	10:00 a.m. to 12 noon
Day 1: 29th November	
Opening Ceremony	9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m
Researcher's Test	10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
Preliminary Round 1	11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Lunch	1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Preliminary Round 2	2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Day End Announcement	4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
After-Court (Socials)	5:30 p.m. onwards
<u>Day 2: 30th November</u> Semi- Finals (Pool A & Pool B)	8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Tea and Team Photographs	10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Pool Finals (Pool A & Pool B)	11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Lunch	1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

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4:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Grand Finale** 

Closing Ceremony