

MACE DEBATING

Public Speaking Day

Sunday 3rd December 2023

VENUE: Wales YFC Centre/ FUW Building, RWAS

Entry Date: Monday 6th November 2023

Entry Date: 06/11/2023
Winter Marks: 50
Last Amended: 10/11/2023
Withdrawal by: 12/11/2023

ELIGIBILITY

Each Club may enter as many teams as they like. A team shall consist of 3 members, each of whom must be 28 years of age or under on 1st September 2023.

PROCEDURE

The team will comprise of a Chairman, 1 speaker for the Proposition and 1 speaker for the Opposition.

The teams will be split so that the Chairman from Team A will work with the proposition from Team B and the opposition from Team C.

Debating subjects will provide **21 days** prior to the competition.

Debating Subjects will be provided by the Judge.

Please Note : Once the Draw is done and the topics have been issues, if any team withdraws from the competition they will incur 50 points off their overall Winter Points

The Chairman and Debaters must be available to meet each other at least twenty minutes before competing time, to enable the Chairman to prepare his/her introductory notes.

Points of Information

These are central to the interactivity of the debate and demonstrate ability to engage in arguments (approx. 25% of the teams marks are for listening and response)

These cannot be made during the first and last minute of the main speeches or during the summary speeches, this time is known as protected time.

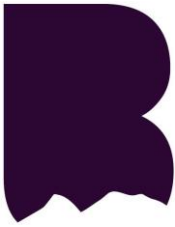
Points of Information are included in the time limit.

Rebuttal

Addressing the other side's arguments during your own speech is known as rebuttal. The aim or rebuttal is to undermine the opposition's case and leave your own case looking stronger.

Rebuttal can be at any time during the speech but make sure the audience and adjudicators are clear that you are addressing the others sides arguments.

The Vote shall be taken by a show of hands.



The Chairman shall announce the result of the Vote and declare the meeting closed.



SCALE OF MARKS

CHAIRMAN - (Timing - 2 Minutes Maximum)

Expression & Delivery	5
Organisation & Prioritisation	5
Accuracy of timing	10
Overall control of debate	10
Total	<u>30</u>

PROPOSITION- MAIN SPEECHES (1ST SPEAKER) - (Timing 6 Minutes Maximum)

Expression & delivery	10
Organisation & Prioritisation	10
(Includes timing - 1 mark deducted per 30seconds over or part thereof)	
Reasoning & Evidence	10
Listening & Response	10
Total	<u>40</u>

OPPOSITION - MAIN SPEECHES (1ST SPEAKER) - (Timing 6 Minutes Maximum)

Expression & delivery	10
Organisation & Prioritisation	10
(Includes timing - 1 mark deducted per 30seconds over or part thereof)	
Reasoning & Evidence	10
Listening & Response	10
Total	<u>40</u>

OPPOSITION SUMMARY SPEECH - SUMMARY SPEECHES - (4 Minutes Maximum)

Expression & Delivery	5
Organisation & Prioritisation	5
(Includes timing - 1 mark deducted per 30seconds over or part thereof)	
Reasoning & Evidence	5
Listening & Response	5
Total	<u>20</u>

PROPOSITION SUMMARY SPEECH - SUMMARY SPEECHES - (4 Minutes Maximum)

Expression & Delivery	5
Organisation & Prioritisation	5
(Includes timing - 1 mark deducted per 30seconds over or part thereof)	
Reasoning & Evidence	5
Listening & Response	5
Total	<u>20</u>

TOTAL **150**

The Adjudicators decision will be final.

The Adjudicator/s to select a team of 5 members/ the best individuals to go forward to represent the Federation at the Wales Final.

Judges & Stewards Please Note: No joint positions for 1st - 4th Placings



(For Wales Public Speaking Day 24th March 2024)

Entries to be submitted online by 6th November 2023 NO LATE ENTRY FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

WITHDRAWAL FROM COMPETITIONS

Clubs/ Members are asked to notify the YFC Office of any withdrawals 5 days prior to a Competition. **PLEASE NOTE: All withdrawals from Club secretaries/Members must be made by email or by telephoning the YFC Office. If telephoning out of office hours, then a message should be left on the YFC Mobile phone.**

Please Note: That only members with up-to-date membership cards and are on the database in the YFC Office are eligible to compete. Members must apply online at least 5 Days before the competition.

PLEASE NOTE: If a member does not produce an up-to-date membership card at the competition, it will result in a £5.00 fine. The fine will be refundable only if they provide confirmation of membership within 7 days of the Competition.

General Rules apply to all competitions alongside the competition's rules.