

FAIRFIELD INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

SCHOOL OF LAW

14th INTRA COLLEGE MOOT COURT COMPETITION

RULES AND REGULATIONS

General Rules:

1. “**Participating Team**” means the team which has registered itself for the Competition as per the Rules given below.
2. All the Rules are only inclusive and not exhaustive for the competition.
3. Rules should be strictly adhered to. Any deviation there from would attract disqualification or other penalties mentioned subsequently.
4. All decisions by the Organizers in case of any disputes/ doubts etc. will be final. The Organizers may make such rules and procedures at any point of time, as they deem fit. Imposition of penalties including disqualification rests solely with the Organizers in case of failure to comply with the rule(s) and deadline(s).

I. Date and Venue:

The 14th Intra-College Moot Court Competition 2019 shall be held from **25th 28th MARCH, 2020** at Fairfield- School of Law.

II. Language:

The official working language of the Moot Court Competition shall be ***English***.

III. Eligibility:

The competition is open for all the bonafide students of Fairfield- School of Law of all semesters.

IV. Dress Code:

During all the Days of the competition the participants shall be in Formal wear only

- i) Male participants are required to wear a Full Formal Suit i.e. Black Trousers, White Shirt, Black Tie, Black Coat and Black Formal Shoes.
- ii) Female participants are required to wear a Full Formal Suit i.e. Black Trousers, White Shirt, Black Coat and Black Formal Shoes or Indian Formal Dress i.e. White Salwar Suit Along With Black Coat And Black

V. Team Composition:

- i. Each team shall consist of 3 members. This number cannot be modified under any circumstances. Two of them shall be designated as a Speakers and one researcher.
- ii. Teams shall identify the speakers and researcher during registration. No extra member or observer shall be allowed.
- iii. Any additional member of any Participating Team shall not be entitled for hospitality or for any award. Such member or observer shall not be allowed to watch any of the rounds of the competition.
- iv. Each team will have a Team Code.
- v. Teams shall not disclose their identity except in the registration form. Any such disclosure shall invite strict penalty including disqualification. The decision for the same shall be at the discretion of the Organizers.

VI. Registration:

- i) The Participants are required to submit a duly filled registration form Latest by **5th MARCH 2020**. (Forms shall be available on the website of Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology).
- ii) No forms received after the deadline shall be considered for registration.
- iii) Every Participating Team will be allotted a team code which will be communicated through Notice Board.

VII. Allotment of Team Codes:

Each Team shall be allotted a Team Code on **11th MARCH 2020**.

VIII. Rounds:

- i. There shall be a Preliminary Rounds, a quarter-final round, a semi-final round and a final round. Lots picked by the teams will decide the side of the arguments in Preliminary, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Final Rounds.
- ii. Inaugural Ceremony & draw of lots shall take place on **25th MARCH, 2020**.
- iii. There shall be two preliminary rounds wherein every Participating Team shall be required to argue once from each side.
- iv. Top sixteen teams will qualify for the Quarter- Finals at the end of the Preliminary Rounds. The first eight teams will be selected based on their oral scores in the Preliminary Rounds plus the scores in the memorials.
- v. Scores in the researchers' test will be used to resolve a tie.

IX. RESEARCHER'S TEST:

- ❖ It shall be mandatory for all the Researcher to appear for Researchers Test of 100 Marks.
- ❖ Researcher Test comprises objective questions to the general understanding of law and to the respective moot proposition.
- ❖ Researcher Test will be for one hour.
- ❖ Researcher Test will be held on **25th MARCH, 2020**. However, depending upon the exigencies, the Moot Court Society may in its discretion re-schedule the Researcher Test.

X.MEMORIALS:

The following requirements for memorials must be strictly followed and any non-compliance of the same shall attract penalties.

- i.** Each team must prepare memorials for both the sides.
- ii.** The Memorials shall be consistent with the Indian Law Institute format.
- iii.** Once the Memorials have been submitted, no revisions, supplements or additions will be allowed.
- iv.** The last date for submitting the Memorials (for both Appellant and Respondent Sides) in soft copy is **19th MARCH, 2020** latest by **11:59 pm (23:59 Hours)**. The Memorials so submitted shall be judged for the “Best Memorial” Award.
- v.** **Six (06)** copies from each side of the memorials (excluding copies for use by the team) should be submitted latest by **23rd MARCH, 2020**.
- vi.** It shall be the sole responsibility of the respective Participating Teams to ensure that the correct number of copies of the Memorials is submitted to the Organizers within the prescribed deadline.

XI. Format of Memorials.

- a) **Cover Page:** The cover page of the memorial must state the following:
 - a. Team Code on upper Left-hand side corner.
 - b. The case title

- c. Color of the cover page must be Blue in case of Petitioner/Appellant Red in case of Defendant/Respondent.
 - d. The Party for which the Memorial has been prepared.
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- b) **The table of contents.**
 - c) **The list of Abbreviations.**
 - d) **The index of authorities/ table of cases.**
 - e) **The statement of jurisdiction.**
 - f) **The statement of facts.**
 - g) **The statement of issues.**
 - h) **The summary of arguments.**
 - i) **The arguments advanced/ body of arguments.**
 - j) **The prayer**

XII. Memorial general format:

- **Spacing:** 1.5 Line Spacing
- **Margins:** One inch margin on all sides of each page.
- **Font:** The font for the body of the memorial shall be Times New Roman, size 12. The font for the footnotes shall be Times New Roman, size 10, line spacing 1.0.
- Memorials must be spiral bound only.
- Page numbering should be at the bottom middle of each page.
- The memorials must not contain any annexure / photographs / sketches/ exhibits / affidavits, etc.
- Teams shall cite authorities in their Memorials by way of a uniform style of citation.
- The Memorial shall not exceed 35 pages in all. Arguments shall not exceed 25 pages.
- The Memorials shall not, in any way, disclose any fact pertaining to the identity of the Participating Team or its Members so represented.

XIII. Marking of Memorials

Every Memorial shall be marked on a total of 100 marks and the team memorial marks will be the average of the total of both sides. The following shall be the marking scheme:

S. No.	Criteria	Marks Allotted
1.	Knowledge of Facts and Law	20
2.	Analysis, Organization and Clarity	20
3.	Extent and Use of Authority	20
4.	Correct Format and Citation	15
5.	Originality in Presentation/ Drafting	15
6.	Grammar and Style	10
	GRAND TOTAL	100

XIV. Evaluation of Oral Submissions:

The Marking Scheme for the evaluation of the oral arguments shall be done in the following manner:

S. No.	Criteria	Marks Allotted
1.	Knowledge of Facts and Law	20
2.	Logic and Reasoning to apply the Legal Principles	20
3.	Ingenuity & Ability to answer questions	20
4.	Time Management and organization	20
5.	Court Etiquettes/ Deference to the court	10
6.	Persuasiveness	10
	GRAND TOTAL	100

XV. PRELIMINARY ROUNDS:

There shall be Preliminary Round on **26th MARCH, 2020** and every team shall be given the opportunity to argue for one side.

Each team shall get a Total Time of **15 Minutes** to present their case. Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.

The Division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 8 minutes for one speaker.

Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the “court officer” as to how they wish to allocate their time.

XVI. QUARTER FINALS AND SEMI FINALS:

- i. The Quarter Finals and Semi Finals Rounds will be held on **27th MARCH, 2020**. *At the end of the Preliminary Round, the **Top 16 Teams** will qualify for the Quarter Finals.*
- ii. The side to be represented by a team shall be determined by way of draw of lots with the team picking the lots after the completion of the preliminary rounds.

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- iii. Each team shall get a Total Time of **20 minutes** to present their case and this shall include the time for ‘rebuttal’ and ‘Sur-rebuttal’. Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.
- iv. The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of **10 minutes** for one speaker.
- v. Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the “court officer” as to how they wish to allocate their time

XVII. FINALS:

- i. The Final Round will be held after the Semi-Finals on **28th MARCH, 2020**. At the end of the Semi- Finals Round, the **Top 2 Teams** will qualify for the Finals. Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.
- ii. Each team shall get a total of **30 minutes** to present their case and this time will include the time for ‘rebuttal’ and ‘sub-rebuttal’.
- iii. The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of **18 minutes** for one speaker.
- iv. Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the “court officer” as to how they wish to allocate their time.
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XIX.SCOUTINGS:

Team shall not be allowed to observe the oral submissions of any other team. Scouting is strictly prohibited.

XX.Awards:

- ❖ Winner Award
- ❖ Runner up Award
- ❖ Best Speaker
- ❖ Best Memorial
- ❖ Best Researcher

XXI. DECISION OF THE JUDGE SHALL BE FINAL:

The decision of the judges regarding the outcome of the rounds shall be final.

NOTE: For more information about the Competition visit the website <http://www.fimt-ggsipu.org/>