

2018 United States Rules Supplement

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This Rules Supplement applies only to the US Regional Rounds. It is to be read in conjunction with the Official Rules, and takes precedence in the event of a conflict.

8.0 REGIONAL COMPETITION PROCEDURES

8.1 Date and Place of Regional Competitions

There is no single U.S. Qualifying Competition. In each of the six Regional Competitions, the two Teams that win the Semi-Final rounds will advance to the White & Case International Rounds. The Final match at each US Regional determines seeding for the International Rounds.

8.3 Distribution of Memorials

Each team shall receive the memorials of their scheduled opponents for the Preliminary Rounds at least one week prior to the Regional Competition.

8.5 U.S. National Champion

The U.S. National Champion will be declared at the White & Case International Rounds. The U.S. National Champion will be the U.S. Team that proceeds the furthest in the Advanced Rounds of the White & Case International Rounds. In the event that two or more U.S. Teams tie for the furthest advancement, or in the event that no U.S. Team proceeds to the Advanced Rounds, the U.S. National Champion shall be the U.S. Team that advanced furthest and was ranked highest overall in the Preliminary Rounds.

12.0 U.S. REGIONAL COMPETITION AWARDS

12.1 Primary Awards

(a) The awards presented are: a) Regional Champion; b) Regional Runner-Up; c) Two Semi-Finalists d) Four Quarter-Finalists e) Top 10 Oralist f) Top Oralist g) Top 5 Memorial; and h) Top Memorial. Participants winning one of the above awards shall be presented plaques or trophies. The name of the award, the Regional Host, the Region represented, and the Competition itself will appear on each plaque.

- (b) If two or more Oralists are tied for purposes of Awards, the Administrator shall break the tie according to the following methods, starting with the first and working down only if the prior method does not break the tie:
 - (i) The Oralist who argued more times wins;
- (ii) The lowest score from each tied Oralist is removed from the calculations of the average score, and the higher average wins; or
 - (iii) The second lowest score from each tied Oralist is removed and the higher average wins.