

UK JESSUP NATIONAL RULES SUPPLEMENT

This Rules Supplement applies only to the 2024 UK Jessup National Rounds and replaces the Official Rules where there is a conflict.

1. Supplement to Official Rule 1.6 Administrator

The 2024 UK Jessup National Round is administered by His Honour Judge Andrew Holmes (andrew.c.holmes@btinternet.com)

2. Supplement to Official Rule 8.0 Qualifying Competition Procedures

2.1 All Teams are required to provide five (5) sets of Memorials (5 Applicant and 5 Respondent) to the National Administrator at the registration scheduled for 9am on Friday, 16 February 2024 at Lincoln's Inn, London. The memorials must be bound in some secure fashion. The National Administrator may assess a 2 point (one-time penalty) to the Applicant and/or Respondent Memorial of a Team which fails to adhere to this rule.

2.2 The UK National Rounds normally consist of Preliminary Rounds, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals, the National Championship and, if necessary, a Third Place Play Off. The UK National Administrator may, however, exercise his discretion to omit the Quarter-Final Rounds in circumstances where the number of Teams participating makes this desirable. That decision will be taken after the submission of Memorials and will be communicated to the Teams if a decision is made to omit the Quarter-Final Rounds.

2.2.1 Preliminary Rounds

Each Team shall participate in Preliminary Rounds consisting of four (4) Oral Rounds, twice as Applicant and twice as Respondent. The pairings for these rounds will be determined in the first instance by reference to the memorial scores.

2.2.2 Quarter-Final Rounds

Where Quarter-Final Rounds are scheduled to take place, the eight (8) highest ranking Teams from the Preliminary Rounds shall participate in Quarter-Final Rounds. In the Quarter-Final Rounds, the pairings shall be as follows:

- (i) The first-ranked Team versus the eighth-ranked Team ("Match One");
 - (ii) The second-ranked Team versus the seventh-ranked Team ("Match Two");
 - (iii) The third-ranked Team versus the sixth-ranked Team ("Match Three");
- and

(iv) The fourth-ranked Team versus the fifth-ranked Team (“Match Four”).

2.2.3 Semi-Final Rounds following on from Quarter-Final Rounds

Where Quarter-Final Rounds have taken place, the winning Team in each of the four Quarter-Final Rounds shall advance to the Semi-Final Rounds. In the Semi-Final Rounds, the pairings shall be as follows (by reference to the match numbers described in Supplement Rule 2.2.2): the winner of Match One versus the winner of Match Four; and the winner of Match Two versus the winner of Match Three.

2.2.4 Semi-Final Rounds in the absence of Quarter-Final Rounds

If Quarter-Final Rounds are not held, the four (4) highest ranking Teams from the Preliminary Rounds shall advance to the Semi-Final Rounds. The pairings shall be as follows: The first-ranked Team versus the fourth-ranked Team (Match One); The second-ranked Team versus the third-ranked Team (Match Two).

2.2.5 The UK National Championship Round

The winning Team in each of the two Semi-Final Rounds shall advance to the UK National Championship Round.

3.2.6 Third Place Play Off

If three Teams are entitled to participate in the International Rounds from the United Kingdom, then the defeated Team in each of the two Semi-Final Rounds shall compete in a Third Place Play Off Round.

3.3 Pleading Option

3.3.1 In the Quarter-Final Rounds (if these are held) and Semi-Final Rounds, the highest-ranking Team from the Preliminary Rounds will have the pleading option.

3.3.2 In the UK National Championship Round and any Third Place Play Off Round, the pleading option shall be determined by drawing lots.

3.3.3 The exercise of the pleading option shall occur in accordance with Official Rule 8.7.

UK National Administrator
ILSA Executive Director