

UK JESSUP NATIONAL RULES SUPPLEMENT

This Rules Supplement applies only to the 2025 UK Jessup National Rounds and replaces the Official Rules where there is a conflict.

1. Supplement to Rule 1.6 Administrator

The 2025 UK Jessup National Round is administered by His Honour Judge Andrew Holmes (uk@ilsa.org)

2. Supplement to Rule 8 – Qualifying Competition Procedures

2.1 The UK National Round will consist of Preliminary Rounds, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals, the National Championship and, if necessary, a Fifth Place Play Off Semi-Finals and Final. The UK National Administrator will announce after the submission of memorials whether a fifth team from the United Kingdom will have the opportunity to compete in the International Rounds.

2.1.1 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.

2.1.2 Quarter-Final Rounds

The pairings in the Quarter-Final will be between the eight (8) highest ranking Teams from the Preliminary 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”).

2.1.3 Semi-Final Rounds

In the Semi-Final Rounds, the pairings shall be as follows (by reference to the match numbers described in Supplement Rule 2.1.2): the winner of Match One versus the winner of Match Four; and the winner of Match Two versus the winner of Match Three.

2.1.4 The UK National Championship Round

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

2.1.5 Fifth Place Play Off Rounds

If five Teams are entitled to participate in the International Rounds from the United Kingdom, then the defeated Teams in the Quarter-Finals will participate in the Fifth Place Semi-Finals. The winners of the Fifth Place Semi-Finals will compete in the Fifth Place Play Off Final.

2.1.6 Teams Qualifying from the United Kingdom

The order in which teams will qualify for the International Rounds shall be in the following order: (1) The winner of the UK National Championship Round; (2) the loser of the UK National Championship Round; (3) Of the two defeated Semi-Finalists, the team ranked higher in the Preliminary Rounds; (4) Of the two defeated Semi-Finalists, the team ranked lower in the Preliminary Rounds; and (5) if held, the winner of the Fifth Place Play Off Final.

2.2 Pleading Option

2.2.1 In the Quarter-Final Rounds, Semi-Final Rounds, and the Fifth Place Semi-Finals the highest-ranking Team from the Preliminary Rounds will have the pleading option.

2.2.2 In the UK National Championship Round and the Fifth Place Play Off Final, the pleading option shall be determined by drawing lots.

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

UK National Administrator
ILSA Executive Director