

# BASIC RULES FOR FESTIVAL WORLD GEOGRAPHY BOWL

1. Fun and sportsmanship are key to the contest whose purpose is to provide friendly academic competition among college and university students based on geographic fundamentals and concepts.
2. Teams must have 4 members active. Substitutions can be made at the beginning of a "half". Ideally, there should be at least two undergraduates on the panel of four students. If a team cannot muster 4 players they can still participate, and if a team cannot find the minimum of 2 undergraduates they can also still participate in the Geo Bowl.
3. Team coordinators are responsible for their team's conduct.
4. Each Round of play consists of Toss-up questions, which anyone can buzz in on, and Team questions which are directed only to one team.
5. No collaboration on toss-up questions is permitted. One formal warning will be given—after that, the offending player will be removed from competition. Collaboration is permitted and expected on Team questions. Team captains will be supplied with paper and pencils for note taking so that details can be worked out among the players on Team questions. The Captain should supply the final answers when called upon by the Moderator.
6. Ten seconds will be allotted to Toss-up questions after they are read, then once a team member has buzzed in they have 3 seconds to provide the answer. If no answer is given, the other team will be given the opportunity to answer. The other team will get the opportunity to answer incorrect questions.
7. Team questions will be allocated 30 seconds, after which the Captain will be called upon to answer. The other team will be given the opportunity to answer incomplete or incorrect questions.
8. The Moderator is in charge of the event and has final say on all aspects of the competition. The judge(s) may be called upon to verify answers and resolve disputes.
9. Challenges to the accepted answers may only be presented by participants.
10. Challenges by the participants must be delivered before the end of the current round.