

Assessment criteria

For details of scoring, please refer to Rules 73-82.

I. For Memorials (Max. score per team: 100)

A. Assessment Criteria

1. Knowledge of facts and legal principles applicable to the issues
 2. Proper and logical analysis of issues
 3. Correctness of grammar, format and citations (including footnotes)
- * Please refer to scoresheets for marks assigned to each of the above criteria.*

B. Mark Reduction

Memorial will be subject to mark deduction if it violates the requirements as stated under Rules 31-41, which include layout and length of memorial, as well as date of submission.

II. For Oral Hearings (Max. score per team: 400 for each round)

A. Assessment Criteria

(1) Content & Development of Argument	(2) Questions from the Bench	(3) Skills of Communication & Deliverance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Familiarity with law ■ Understanding of legal issues ■ Use of legal authorities ■ Use of policy ■ Awareness of strengths and weaknesses of case ■ Organization of case ■ Conciseness, clarity and comprehensiveness ■ Allocation of time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Composure ■ Ability to provide direct, responsive answers ■ Ability to perceive and discuss important issues with court ■ Control of discussion, without interrupting Judges ■ Ability to dispose of collateral issues tactfully ■ Ability to return to argument after questions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Confidence ■ Mannerism ■ Rapport with the Bench ■ Tone of voice, pace, eye-contact

B. Mark Reduction

Each team member shall **refrain from disclosing the name of his or her institution** at all times until the announcement of the results of the general rounds. Team members or any person associated with a team shall also refrain from disclosing the name of his or her institution to any person acting as a judge whether during or outside the hearings until the announcement of the final results of the competition. Disclosure may subject the team members concerned to a **deduction of a fixed mark of 10** from the total score out of 200 from each of the team member's overall score, and in turn affect the team's score out of the total of 400 in each of the oral hearings, pursuant to Rule 77.

The judge identifies the violation should mark on the score sheets with the specific space provided (please refer to the score sheet). The Chief Judge will play a facilitating role to align on decision within the panel of judges in the courtroom to validate the mark deduction.

C. Weighting among Panel of Judges in General Rounds (3 judges in each panel)

	Counsel	Score			subtotal (200) Each Counsel = (Avg of 3 judges) x 2.5	Total (400) in Team
		Judge 1 (Chief) (40+20+20=80)	Judge 2 (40+20+20=80)	Judge 3 (40+20+20=80)		
Prosecutor	1st Counsel	80	80	80	200	400
	2nd Counsel	80	80	80	200	
Defendant	1st Counsel	80	80	80	200	400
	2nd Counsel	80	80	80	200	

** Assignment of Chief Judge in each panel will be informed during Judges Briefing Session before the oral hearings.
 * Please refer to scoresheets for marks assigned to each of the above criteria.*

In accordance with Rule 80, copies of individual judges' scoresheets of oral hearing and memorials (applicable in general rounds) will be distributed to respective participating teams after announcement of general rounds results for teams' verification, and participating team could raise appeal should they identify any arithmetic error.

D. Judging for Winning Team in Quarter-final / Semi-final / Final Rounds

With reference to Rules 49 & 82, the judging panel of individual courtroom will decide which is the winning team based on mooters' oral presentation without scoring.

Judges will complete the comment sheet that will be passed back to participating teams for reference after announcing the results.