

# 2023-2024 MA *FIRST* Tech Challenge State Championship

March 9, 2024

## *FIRST* and Venue Policies Agreement Document

All competing teams must Acknowledge they have read and agree to the following policies to participate in the event.

### ***FIRST* Policy:**

- Bring your Gracious Professionalism! Team mentors and team members are expected to behave in a gracious and respectful manner at all times throughout the day.
- Safety glasses or side shields **must** be worn as eye protection in the pits and in the competition area by **everyone** at all times. Mentors, we expect you to set the example for your team members. Repeated violations of the safety glass policy may fall under rule <G30> and be considered egregious behavior. Plus, it's dangerous to not wear them, and we do not want anyone injured!
- Closed toe shoes are required in the pit and competition areas
- No team, team member or event attendee is allowed to set up their own wireless communication in the venue. **The penalty for violation is disqualification.**
  - Cellular hotspot (cell phones, tablets, Mi-Fi)
  - Ad hoc networks
  - Nintendo DS peer to peer
  - Bluetooth communications with robots in the competition area

### **Venue Policy:**

- No outside food or drinks in the Collins Center. Lunch will be eaten in the Cafeteria
- All attendees are asked to stay in the competition areas only: Collins Center, Cafeteria, and Judging Rooms
- Entrance and Exit to the high school during the event will be through the Collins Center Main doors Only
- Please Do not block doorways. An unobstructed path to and from all doors must be maintained at all times to be compliant with fire codes
- Do not occupy space beyond your designated pit. Tables will be either an 8x2' rectangle or 5' circular table. Note: there will not be enough space for a 10 x 10 pit
- Team Clothing (normally the team tee shirt) that shows the Team Number and Team Name should be visible on the competition field for the Referees to see. No bulky coats or other clothing are to be worn over shirts, both for safety and identification purposes
- Carts are allowed to transport robots from the pits to the queuing area, but not onto the auditorium stage. Carts will be allowed to transport robots and materials to the judging rooms
- Robot repairs should be done on your cart or table. Do not work on the floor or drive the robots on the floor. Use of Power tools will be restricted to a designated area in the school and should not leave any debris. This area will be shared morning of the event.. An adult must supervise any tool use and notify event staff if any more significant power tool use or machining is necessary

- You are provided one (1) power outlet at your pit table. Do not use any other outlets in the venue.

I have read and my team agree to the *FIRST* and VENUE policies.

Students and mentors found in violation of these policies will be ejected from the pit and competition area for the remainder of the day.

**Team Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print full name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

