



Foothills Academy Science Fair Protocol and Safety Rules

Failure to follow these rules may result in a warning, loss of points, or disqualification.

1. The project must be substantially of your own design and not plagiarized. Significant modifications to a previous experiment (by yourself or others) are acceptable.
2. Any use of power tools during the experiment construction or operation must be done by, or supervised by, a parent. Additional help by a parent is strongly discouraged, and will reduce the value of the experience as well as your score.
3. For team projects, the division of labor must be equitable. Each member must have made a significant contribution to the final product.
4. Experiments involving flammable, caustic, or potentially explosive substances, the use of electric power in excess of 12V, radiation, or class I-III lasers, are prohibited without prior approval by the FASF moderators.
5. Experiments involving prescription or illegal drugs, firearms, fireworks, or lasers with a power level above class III are completely prohibited.
6. Experiments involving living vertebrate animals must meet the Intel ISEF guidelines, available online at the ISEF link below.
7. You will not sabotage or alter another competitor's experiment or display, or interfere with the judging and scoring process.
8. Your project display must fit within the following space: 30 inches (76 centimeters) deep, 48 inches (122 centimeters) wide, 108 inches (274 centimeters) high from floor to top of display. Smaller displays are, of course, acceptable.

In addition, should your project qualify through all levels up to the Intel ISEF, you will want to read their specific rules for protocol and safety. These rules are available online at: http://www.sciserv.org/isef/about/rules_regulations.asp

We have established these rules in the interest of fairness and safety, but don't pretend to have covered all the possibilities in so vast an area as science. If you have any questions about these rules, their interpretation, or possible exceptions, please feel free to contact one of our FASF Faculty Moderators.