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### **Wristbands at Regional and State Tournaments:**

In order to ensure fair, orderly, safe, and efficient tournaments, New York State Science Olympiad, Inc.'s ("NYSSO") Board of Directors (the "Board") maintains the following policy regarding the use of wristbands at Regional and State Tournaments:

- 1) Wristbands are required for student event participants, including alternates, at all Regional and State Tournament Events.
- 2) Each team will receive a maximum of 15 wristbands. If a team consists of less than 15 student event participants, then the number of student event participants listed on the roster will govern the number of wristbands distributed.
- 3) Where appropriate, each team will receive wristbands for all their team's alternates. These wristbands should be a different color than the ones provided to the designated members of the team.
- 4) When the wristbands are provided to the coaches, the coaches must immediately count the number of wristbands they have been provided. A form will be provided by the Regional Site Coordinator or the State Director to the coaches to sign acknowledging that they have received the correct number of wristbands.
- 5) Wristbands are to be placed securely on the wrists of the participating team members so that it cannot be slipped off. If a wristband can be slipped off, is cut off, or taken off in any manner, an NYSSO official and/or representative will confiscate it.
- 6) Student event participants will not be allowed to participate in their events without wristbands. Event Supervisors will check student event participants' wrists to see that they have their wristbands in place before the event begins.
- 7) Anyone found violating this policy, or hindering another from complying with this policy, may be penalized.
- 8) There shall be **NO** exceptions to this policy.
- 9) Lost wristbands **WILL NOT** be replaced.

All team coaches are to discuss this policy with all student event participants, as well as with all other adults and all other non-student event participants. A signature from the designated head coach of each team acknowledging this policy, its consequences, and the responsibility to disseminate this information will be required at the time of the team's registration for the tournament.

*Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be directed to the President of NYSSO's Board of Directors and the State Director.*

Submitted, Reviewed, and Approved by NYSSO BOD Dated: Saturday, September 4, 2021	<u><i>John J. Beauregard</i></u> John J. Beauregard, Secretary NYSSO Board of Directors
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