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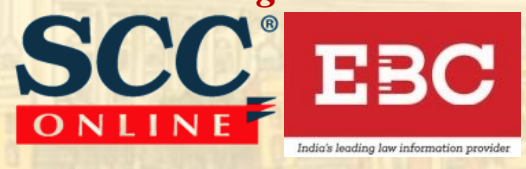
**8th MANIPAL RANKA INTERNATIONAL MOOT
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RULE BOOK



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1. Introduction

1.1 Short Title

This Rulebook shall be referred to as the Competition Rules for the 8th Manipal Ranka International Moot Court Competition, 2022.

1.2 General Information

The 8th Manipal Ranka International Moot Court Competition, 2022 (hereinafter referred as “Competition”) shall be organized by Faculty of Law, Manipal University Jaipur from October 1st -2nd, 2022 on hybrid mode. The Competition shall be conducted in accordance with these Rules, and all teams and participants shall be presumed to have read and understood the Rules.

1.3 Aim and purpose

To give exposure to students pursuing the law course to the environment of the court system and to hone their advocacy skills.
 To provide a real-life experience cum training in doing cutting edge research, presenting groundbreaking arguments, and contributing to the development of jurisprudence in concerned areas of law.

1.4 Interpretation

The Organizers will have exclusive authority to interpret the Rules in the interest of fairness and equality. The interpretation placed upon these Rules by the Organizers shall be conclusive and the decision of the Organizers regarding the application of these Rules shall be final.

1.5 Important Dates

The following important dates shall be adhered to:

S. No.	Particulars	Date
1.	Last date for Registration	August 20, 2022
2.	Last date for seeking Clarifications	August 25, 2022
3.	Declaration of Clarifications	August 31, 2022
4.	Last date for submission of Soft Copy of Memorials	September 15, 2022
5.	Last date for submission of Hard Copy of Memorials	September 22, 2022
6.	Inaugural Ceremony	October 1, 2022
7.	Oral Rounds	October 1-2, 2022

2. General Rules

2.1 Date and Venue October 1st and 2nd, 2022 on HYBRID MODE on our Campus at Manipal University Jaipur and through online platform via MS Teams.

2.2 Team composition and eligibility

- (i) Each team shall comprise of three (3) members ONLY i.e. Two (2) speakers and one (1) researcher.
- (ii) Arguments shall be in English only.
- (iii) The competition is open for *bonafide* students pursuing five-year or three-year LLB programme.
- (iv) Each Law College/ University shall be eligible to send one (1) team. The team should not disclose the identity of their institution in course of proceedings in the court rooms; such disclosure shall invite penalties including disqualification.
- (v) The students from different Universities/institutes are not allowed to form an Inter-College, Team.
- (vi) Each team shall be provided with the team code by draw of lots followed by exchange of memorials.

2.3 Registration

- (i) The Registration form completed with all team details must be submitted online as [\[Provided here\]](#)
- (ii) A registration fee of Rs. INR 6000 (National Participants through Physical Mode) which includes lodging and food and Rs. INR 3000 (National Participants through Online Mode) or 100USD (International Participants through Physical Mode) and 50 USD (International Participants through Online Mode) is to be paid as [\[Provided here\]](#)
- (iii) No change in the names of the participants shall be permitted after the receipt of the Registration Form, except at the sole discretion of the Organizers.
- (iv) Teams should clearly mention the participants' name, contact number including year/semester of study.

2.4 Dress Code

The participants shall follow the below mentioned dress code at the time of their presentation:

- (i) **Females:** White salwar kurta & Dupatta or white shirt and black trousers or skirt along with black coat and tie.
- (ii) **Males:** white shirt, black trousers, black tie along with black coat.

The dress code for all the functions at the competition shall be western formals for gentlemen and western or Indian formals for ladies.

3. Competition Rounds

3.1 General There shall be Preliminary Round, Quarter Final, Semi Final and a Final Round spreading over a period of 2 days.

3.2 Preliminary Round

- (i) In preliminary round each team shall argue from one side (Appellant/Petitioner or Respondent) as decided by draw of lots.
- (ii) The marks of the preliminary round shall be the cumulative total of the marks of both the speakers. The team shall be credited with a win in preliminary round if their round total is more than opposing team.
- (iii) TOP EIGHT (8) teams shall move to the quarter finals based on the CUMULATIVE marks of the preliminary round and the marks of the memorial of the side in which they were appeared.
- (iv) In case of a tie between two or more teams, the aggregate of the marks of memorials (Appellant/Petitioner and Respondent) of the teams shall be counted. Team with highest marks moves ahead.

3.3 Quarter Final Round

- (i) Eight (8) teams shall compete in quarter final. Criteria for qualifying to quarter finals have been mentioned in previous clauses.
- (ii) It shall be a knockout round. The winner of each round shall move to the semi-final. Four (4) teams shall move to semi-finals.
- (iii) The criteria of marking in this round are aggregate total of the marks of both the speakers.
- (iv) In case of tie between teams, in quarter finals, the aggregate of the marks of memorials (Appellant/Petitioner and Respondent) of the teams shall be counted. Team with highest marks moves ahead.

3.4 Semi Final Round and Final Round

- (i) Four (4) teams shall compete in semi-finals. The criteria of qualifying in semi-finals have been mentioned in previous clauses.
- (ii) It shall be a knockout round. The winner of each round shall move to the Final.
- (iii) The criteria of marking in this round are aggregate total of the marks of both the speakers.
- (iv) In case of tie between teams, in semi-finals, the aggregate total of the marks of memorials (Appellant/Petitioner and Respondent) of the teams shall be counted. Team with highest marks moves ahead.
- (v) There shall be one (1) FINAL ROUND.
- (vi) The marking criteria in Final Round is same as that of semi-final (clause 3. (iii)).

4. Clarification to the Problem

- 4.1 All requests for clarification to the problem must be submitted to the organizers via the Google Form which shall be provided by the organizers.
- 4.2 The teams may seek clarifications latest by August 25, 2022 (11:59 P.M IST), post which no clarification shall be entertained.

- 4.3 The Organizers reserve the right to provide clarifications only in relation to the facts of the case and not related to the substantive arguments of the case.
- 4.4 The clarifications, as and when issued, shall become a part of the Moot Proposition.

5. Memorial

5.1 Structure of Memorial

- (i) All teams must submit Memorials/ Written Submissions for both sides. (Appellant/Petitioner and Respondent).
- (ii) Participants are allowed to frame additional issues other than those provided in the moot proposition, if desired.
- (iii) All teams must submit typed Memorials for both sides and the Memorials must fulfill all the following specifications.
- (iv) Memorials must contain the following:
1. Cover page / Cause title
 2. Index
 3. Index of Authorities
 4. Statement of Jurisdiction
 5. Synopsis of Facts
 6. Summary of Arguments
 7. Arguments / Pleadings Advanced
 8. Conclusion / Prayer
- (v) The memorial shall not be of more than forty (40) pages and the arguments shall not exceed more than twenty-five (25) pages.
- (vi) The Memorial shall be typed on A4 size page in Font type: Times New Roman, Font size: 12, 1.5 line spacing & 1 inch margin on each side. Blue Book 20th Edition mode of citation shall be followed.

- (vii) The Cover Page of the Memorial must follow the following color scheme, Blue for the Appellant/Petitioner Cover Page, and Red for the Respondent Cover Page.
- (viii) The Memorial must not contain annexure/ Photographs/ Sketches/ Exhibits/ Affidavits etc.
- (ix) Memorials that do not comply with the above-mentioned specifications will be penalized.
- (x) Identification of any type shall attract severe penalty.

5.2 Marking criteria for Memorials

- (i) Memorial from each side shall carry total of hundred (100) marks.
- (ii) The following shall be the criteria for marking the memorials:

Sr.No.	Marking Criteria	Marks Allocated
1.	Knowledge of Facts	10
2.	Knowledge of Law	10
3.	Proper and Articulate Analysis	10
4.	Evidence of Original Thought	10
5.	Grammar and Style	10
6.	Correct Format and Citation	10
7.	Extent and Use of Research	20
8.	Clarity and Organization	20
	TOTAL	100

- (iii) A penalty of two (2) marks for each side of memorial shall be entailed on each day default in submissions of memorials.

6. Oral Submissions

6.1 General Rules

- (i) Each team shall comprise of two (2) speakers, as has been specified earlier.
- (ii) Court language shall be English only.
- (iii) Each team will have a maximum of thirty (30) minutes to present their Oral Submissions in Preliminary Round. No speaker will be permitted to address the Court for more than seventeen (17) minutes). This includes the time the speaker addresses the Court during the rebuttal/sur-rebuttal. The maximum time for rebuttal/sur-rebuttal is five (5) minutes.
- (iv) The maximum time allotted in quarter finals, semi-finals and final shall be forty-five (45) minutes for each team. No speaker shall be allowed to address the court for more than twenty-five (25) minutes. This includes the time the speaker addresses the court during rejoinder/sur-rejoinder.
- (v) At the commencement of each session of Oral Submissions each team must notify the Court Officer of the amount of time that the team reserves for their rejoinder/sur-rejoinder. A maximum of 5 minutes can be reserved for the rejoinder/sur-rejoinder.
- (vi) At the commencement of each session of Oral Submissions each team shall notify the Court Officer as to the division of time between the 2 speakers.
- (vii) If any speaker continues to speak after the completion of his/her time, he/she shall entail penalty which shall be upon the discretion of the judges.
- (viii) The final decision as to the time structure and the right to rejoinder/sur-rejoinder will be that of the Bench Judges.
- (ix) During oral submissions, the participants, if appearing through online platform will not be permitted to make any audio/visual representation nor will they be allowed to use any other technical or mechanical device during their oral submissions.

- (x) If at any instance a submission is made with any material in violation to the above clause and if any picture, sketches, photos, cartoons, caricatures, audio film, video film, projector-slide or a computer-generated image is submitted or presented to court, the teams shall be disqualified from the competition forthwith.
- (xi) During the Oral Submissions no speaker shall neither reveal his/her identify nor the identity of their University / College by any means whatsoever.
- (xii) **Online Mooting Etiquettes:** Only the respective team members, judges, bailiffs, and members of the organizing Moot Court Committee may be present in the online Court rooms. No faculty designate or observer of participating Colleges/Institutions/Universities shall be allowed to join the virtual/physical mooting sessions. In the Virtual Court Rooms, all participants shall keep their videos turned on during the entire presentation session.
- (xiii) **Internet Requirements:** Participants are advised to use a stable internet connection (a 4G/5G or a WiFi) during the virtual mooting sessions. They are also advised to use Laptops/Desktops and not Mobile Phones during oral pleadings. The organizers shall not be held responsible for any glitches arising out of poor network or other technical issues. However, the organizers shall provide a reasonable time (about 10 to 15 minutes) to come back to a virtual courtroom if a participant is logged out because of poor network connectivity.

6.2 Marking Criteria for the Arguments

- (i) Each Speaker will be marked on a total of 100 marks by each Bench Judge.

(ii) The following will be the Marking Criteria and the Marks allocated to each Speaker by each Judge in the Round:

Sr. No.	Marking Criteria	Marks allocated
1.	Appreciation and Application of facts.	10
2.	Identification and Articulation of Issues.	10
3.	Application of legal principles.	10
4.	Use of authorities and precedents	10
5.	Response to questions	10
6.	Presentation skills	10
7.	Clarity of thoughts and logical structure of arguments	10
8.	Poise and Demeanor	10
9.	Strategy	10
10.	Ingenuity	10
	TOTAL	100

(iii) The decision of the judges as to the marks allocated to any team shall be final.

7. Compendium

- 7.1 Teams are free to present their Compendiums during their Oral Rounds as per the discretion of the Bench. The Compendium may include any material which the teams may wish to submit before the judges' panel for their oral submissions.
- 7.2 Only highlighting and underlining on the Compendium is allowed.
- 7.3 Teams should maintain anonymity in the compendium. No reference to the names or emails of participants, name of institution, or any details, except for the team code allotted to the team should be made in the compendium.

8. Prizes & Awards

- 8.1 **Winning Team Award:** The winning team will receive a trophy, a cash prize, one-year academic subscription to SCC Online Web Edition worth Rs. 27,000 and one-year subscription to EBC Learning worth Rs. 14,500
- 8.2 **Runners-Up Award:** The 1st runners up will get a trophy, a cash prize, one-year academic subscription to SCC Online Web Edition worth Rs. 27,000 and one-year subscription to EBC Learning worth Rs. 14,500.
- 8.3 **Best Speaker Award:** Best Speaker will get a trophy, a cash prize and one-year subscription to EBC Learning worth Rs. 14,500.
- 8.4 **Best Memorial Award:** Best memorial awardee will get a trophy, a cash prize one-year academic subscription to SCC Online Web Edition worth Rs. 27,000.
- 8.5 **Certificate for participation** will be given to all the participants.

9. Miscellaneous

- 9.1 The organizers of this Hybrid Mode Moot Court Competition may amend the Competition Rules. However, any such amendment shall be brought to the notice of the participating teams.

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