



YGN NATIONAL SPEAKING COMPETITION - GENERAL RULES

1. Eligibility

- 1.1. All competitors must be within the YGN target demographic (either 37 and under, or new to the industry).
- 1.2. Competitors can enter any of the regional competition locations, despite it not being their "nearest" branch.
- 1.3. Competitors may enter more than one regional competition, save that if a competitor places first in any regional competition, that competitor cannot enter another regional competition that year. If a competitor has already entered an additional competition, upon winning a competition, the competitor must withdraw for the additional competition already entered or will be subject to disqualification.

2. Membership

- 2.1. Competitions are open to the public.
- 2.2. Insofar as a competition reaches capacity of competitors, priority will be given to existing members of the Nuclear Institute or those who sign up to become a member in advance of the competition.

3. Judges decisions

The Judges' decision is final.

4. Expenses

The YGN is not responsible for any expenses incurred by competitors or for arrangements for accommodation or travel.

5. Awards

- 5.1. All payments of awards for regional competitions will be organised by the hosting regional branch and will not be the responsibility of the YGN.
- 5.2. The YGN is responsible for the payment of the award for the national final only.
- 5.3. All awards should be paid within 30 days of the date of the competition.
- 5.4. Insofar as 5.3 is not adhered to, the winners are requested to speak directly with their regional branch organiser to request prompt payment.

6. The competition

- 6.1. Each presentation must last no more than 10 minutes and each competitor is to be given 5 minutes to answer any questions from the judges or audience.
- 6.2. The marking scheme is:
 - 6.2.1. Oral presentation and talk construction: 30 marks
 - 6.2.2. Clarity and use of visual aids: 10 marks
 - 6.2.3. Handling of questions and answers: 10 marks
- 6.3. The permissible topics are wide, but must relate to the "nuclear sector".