

MWI Welding Competition Rules and Regulations 2024

1. Competitors shall conduct themselves as professionals at all times, foul language is not permitted.
2. Competitors are not allowed to have or possess cell phones or other electronic devices in the welding shop during their portion of the competition.
3. Competitors are not allowed to enter another competitor's booth once the competition has started.
4. Competitors may not speak to other competitors while working on their specified welding project.
5. Competitors shall weld out coupons in specified welding positions using the proper electrode and electrode diameter.
6. Competitors failing to follow blueprint and fit-up instructions while assembling and welding their project will be disqualified.
7. Competitors shall not start work on their specified welding project until directed to do so.
8. Competitors shall weld all passes the full length of their coupons.
DO NOT stagger your welding passes.
9. 90-minute time limit for High School division.
10. 90-minute time limit for Vo-Tech division.
11. In the event there is a tie the winner will be determined by the shortest project completion time.
In the event there is a tie in completion time there will be a "Weld Off" to determine the winner.
12. All material and the welding procedure will be located in the booth.
13. Procedures, material and recommended machine settings will await each competitor inside of their booth.
14. Competitors must wear eye protection (safety glasses) at all times.
NO EXCEPTIONS.
15. Once a competitor has completed their welding project(s) and turned it in to their section supervisor, they are to clean their work area and remain in their booth until dismissed.
16. Upon completion of the welding competition all welding coupons shall be the property of Missouri Welding Institute.

ACCIDENT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

I HEREBY ASSUME ALL OF THE RISKS OF PARTICIPATING IN ANY/ALL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS EVENT, including by way of example and not limitation, any risks that may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned, maintained, or controlled by them, or because of their possible liability without fault.

I certify that I am physically fit, have sufficiently prepared or trained for participation in this activity, and have not been advised to not participate by a qualified medical professional. I certify that there are no health-related reasons or problems which preclude my participation in this activity.

I acknowledge that this Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form will be used by the event holders, sponsors, and organizers of the activity in which I may participate, and that it will govern my actions and responsibilities at said activity.

In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in this activity, I hereby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, and assigns as follows:

(A) I WAIVE, RELEASE, AND DISCHARGE from any and all liability, including but not limited to, liability arising from the negligence or fault of the entities or persons released, for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or actions of any kind which may hereafter occur to me including my traveling to and from this activity, THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES OR PERSONS:

Missouri Welding Institute, Inc. (MWI) and/or their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, and the activity holders, sponsors, and volunteers;

(B) INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE the entities or persons mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this activity, whether caused by the negligence of release or otherwise.

I acknowledge that MWI and their directors, officers, volunteers, representatives, and agents are NOT responsible for the errors, omissions, acts, or failures to act of any party or entity conducting a specific activity on their behalf.

I acknowledge that this activity may involve a test of a person's physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury, and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, weather, condition of participants, equipment, vehicular traffic, lack of hydration, and actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, monitors, and/or producers of the activity. These risks are not only inherent to participants, but are also present for volunteers.

I hereby consent to receive medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, and/or illness during this activity.

I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily agree to assume all the foregoing risks and responsibility that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 while attending this event and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability and death. On my behalf, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless MWI, its employees, agents, and representatives, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, admissions, or negligence of MWI, its employees, agents, representatives, or volunteers, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any MWI program.

I understand while participating in this activity, I may be photographed or filmed. I agree to allow my photo, video, or film likeness to be used for any legitimate purpose by the activity holders, producers, sponsors, organizers, and assigns and will not receive any royalties or compensation for the use of my likeness. In addition, I waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product, including written or electronic copy, wherein my likeness appears

The Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.