## **Welcome to Electric Vehicle 2009**

We need your cooperation to ensure the event runs smoothly. Please read and follow these directions, exercise patience, and avoid disruptive behavior while waiting and participating in the event. Thank you.

- 1. Doors will open at 8:00 AM to begin impound. Judging will be from 9:00 to 1:00
- 2. You must arrive and be ready to compete before the end of the published judging time. No Exceptions.
- 3. Check in with event staff when you arrive. They will direct you to sign in and give you instructions on how to proceed. If you do not check in you will not be queued for participation. Be sure to sign up under the name of your school not the name of your town. Teams will be judged in order of check-in time. If you have scheduling concerns let us know at check-in time we will try to accommodate, but can't make guarantees.
- 4. Once you are signed in, you must remain present until your participation is completed. Be nearby and ready to begin when instructed. Teams absent when called to set up will be removed from queue.
- 5. Only judging staff are allowed in the Impound area at all times. When it is time to retrieve your vehicle from impound it may be done as directed, under direct supervision of judging staff only.
- 6. No device construction is allowed at the competition site. Repair of minor damages to the device that are incurred during transport is acceptable, however do take proper care to safeguard against this risk. Remember that you may not have access to electrical outlets, water supply and other amenities at the competition site.
- 7. Parents and coaches may observe the event but may not assist the student team members in any way (aside from assistance with transporting the device).
- 8. Only members from the competing team and their coach are allowed in the Competition/Track Area. All others must remain in the Observation Area.
- 9. Your competition period is limited to 10 minutes which begins the moment you receive your vehicle and batteries from impound. Runs will be counted as long as the vehicle is in motion before the 10 minutes is expired. The 10 minute countdown time will pause for judging measurements and resume when measurements are complete.
- 10. All device construction should be finished before the device is brought to the event. The 30 minute set-up time is meant to give you time to make last minute preparations for converting your device from "transportation condition" to "competition condition." It is not to be used as a time for construction of your device. Exceptions can be made for devices which require boiling water or other special preparations. Any equipment and related safety supplies required to meet these needs must be provided by the team.
- 11. Judging staff will photograph each device for judging reference and future promotion of the event. If you prefer that we not use the picture of your device, please alert the sign-in staff and we will delete your picture when judging is complete.
- 12. When judging is complete you may return your vehicle to impound until the end of the event at which time it must be picked up within 30 minutes. If elect to use the provided storage area, your vehicle will not be accessible to you until all judging has been completed. Rather than returning it to impound, you may remove your vehicle from the competition area when you are done competing, though if you do so you surrender any right to an appeal.
- 13. Final judging results will be calculated by the judges after your evaluation. You may not have access to your raw scores.
- 14. Above all, remember why you're here to learn and have fun!