ICPC ALGOQUEEN FINALS CONTEST GUIDELINES

Platform: CodeChef (Proctored Assessment Environment)

We are using a **new proctored assessment environment on CodeChef** that comes with **strict monitoring and tab control**. Please review the platform thoroughly **in advance** to avoid surprises during the contest. **Please note that if you move to another screen during the contest, you will not be able to continue with the contest.**

1. Login Details

- You must **log in using the username shared with you via email on 25th June**. Contact us well before the contest if you have any issues.
- If you have **deleted or updated your account, please email us at algoqueen@cb.amrita.edu immediately** with your issue.
- If you attempt to log in with a different username or a newly created one, **you will not be able to access the contest**.

2. How to Start the Contest

- Before you begin, make sure your **screen recording and webcam recording are already started**. This helps avoid switching tabs once the contest begins.
- Open the contest link (shared before the contest).
- Click on the **"Start Assessment"** button.
- A **pop-up will ask you to enter full-screen mode** – click **"Confirm"** to begin the contest.
- **Full-screen mode is mandatory.** Exiting full-screen or switching tabs/windows is strictly prohibited.

3. Screen Monitoring & Restrictions

- You will be allowed **a maximum of 3 screen/tab switches**. After that, **you will be permanently blocked** from the contest.
- **Once blocked, we cannot unblock your account.** This will result in your contest attempt being void.

4. System & Proctoring Requirements

- **Webcam:** Must be **turned ON throughout the contest**.
- **Screen Recording:** Your **entire screen must be recorded** for the full duration.
- If your device lacks a built-in webcam or recording capability, **arrange external solutions in advance**.
- Ensure a **stable internet connection** to prevent auto-submission or disconnection issues.

5. Submission & Evaluation Rules

- Submit each problem using the **"Submit" button** at the bottom of the question.
- **Wrong submissions = 20-minute penalty per question.**

6. Plagiarism & Disqualification

We take academic honesty very seriously.

- Any **suspicion of plagiarism, copying, or malpractice** will lead to disqualification.
- If flagged, **your webcam recording and screen footage will be reviewed**.
- If you are **unable to provide these when requested**, you will be disqualified
- We reserve the right to **disqualify participants at any time**, based on credible evidence or suspicious behavior.
- **Use of AI tools, code-sharing sites, or assistance from others is strictly prohibited.**

7. Common Troubleshooting

- **"You do not have access"** – Log in with the exact username shared via email.
- **"Page not found"** – Double-check the contest link.
- **Other issues?** – Email us **immediately** at: algoqueen@cb.amrita.edu with a **screenshot and description**.

8. Pre-Contest Checklist

- Log in and test the platform in advance
- Ensure **webcam and screen recording** are functioning.
- Double-check that your **webcam is being recorded**.
- Confirm **stable internet connectivity**.
- Close any apps that may trigger **pop-ups** (e.g., antivirus or notifications).
- **Join the contest at least 10 minutes early.**