

ICPC AlgoQueen 2025 – Preliminary Round: Qualification & Rules

Selection Criteria for Finals (Total slots - 500)

1. For College Participants:

- Participants ranked 1 to 20 are considered for selection, with a maximum of 4 participants per college.
 - Example: If college ABC has 7 participants in the top 20, only 4 participants from ABC will be chosen
- From participants ranked 21 onwards, select participants in ascending order of their rank to fill the remaining slots (up to 200)
- Each college is limited to a maximum of 'K' participants in total.
- Each participant must have solved 'N' problems.
- Values for N and K (where $K \leq 4$) will be decided after the online contest
- Final selection is **subject to a plagiarism check**.

2. For School Participants:

- Participants ranked 1 to 30 are considered for selection, with a maximum of 6 per school.
 - Example: If School ABC has 10 participants in the top 30, only 6 participants from ABC will be chosen
- From participants ranked 31 onwards, select participants in ascending order of their rank to fill the remaining slots (up to 300)
- Each School is limited to a maximum of 'K' participants in total.
- Each participant must have solved 'N' problems.
- Values for N and K (where $K \leq 6$) will be decided after the online contest
- Final selection is **subject to a plagiarism check**.

Contest Rules (General)

1. **Individual Participation Only** – This is a solo contest. No teams allowed.
2. **Original Submissions** – Use of plagiarized, AI-generated, or externally sourced code will result in disqualification.
3. **No Malpractice** – Any form of cheating or collaboration will lead to **immediate disqualification**.
4. **Ethical Conduct** – All participants must adhere to a fair and respectful code of conduct.
5. **No External Help** – Contestants must not discuss or share problems during the contest.
6. **Judging Authority** – All decisions made by the judging panel are final.

Contest Rule: Mandatory YouTube Livestream Submission

To ensure fairness and transparency during the ICPC Algo Queen Qualifier Round, we are introducing a **new requirement** for all participants:

1. Mandatory Private YouTube Livestream

- **During the qualifier round**, each participant must **livestream their screen** while solving the contest problems.
- The livestream **must be hosted on YouTube** and set to **“Unlisted”** mode (not Public).
- **The livestream should begin before the contest starts** and must continue uninterrupted for the entire duration of the contest.
- You can use any reliable screen recording software with live streaming support (Recommended - OBS Studio)
- The screen recording should clearly show:
 - Your desktop and browser window during the contest.
 - The time and activity on your screen (avoid any cuts or edits).
 - You actively solving the problems on the contest platform.


2. Link Submission Process

- **Participants who qualify** for the next round will be asked to submit their livestream link.
- The link must be shared with the organizing team **within 24 hours** of the contest result announcement.
- Participants may be disqualified if the livestream:
 - Is missing or inaccessible.
 - Shows any suspicious activity.
 - Has gaps, interruptions, or irregularities in the video stream.

Additional Guidelines

- Ensure that your YouTube account is ready and eligible for livestreaming **before the contest day**.
- Use screen recording (with or without webcam) to capture your full desktop screen.
- Keep your IDE/editor, browser, and any reference material visible during the stream.
- Do **not mute** or edit the video after the contest.
- You may keep your microphone off, but **all on-screen actions must be clearly visible**.

Link to install and livestream using OBS Studio -

 [How To Live Stream On YouTube With OBS Studio](#)

Verification Process (Post-Selection)

Once the **finalist list** is published after the plagiarism check, selected participants will receive an **email to complete an identity verification process**.

Verification Requirements:

- **For School Participants:**
 - Must be a **female student currently studying in a school**.
 - Must upload a **valid school ID card** clearly showing the **name and** Validity date
- **For College Participants:**
 - Must be a **female student currently studying in a college**.
 - Must upload a **valid college ID card** with the **name and current academic period**.

Note: If any of the participant's verification fails, the slot will be allotted to the next person.