

Team Rules and Expectations

TEAM 8027



Guidelines and Rules

- Once your team has been formed, set up guidelines for the team
 - Some teams create a team handbook
 - Some teams create a team contract
- These documents allow both the mentors and students to create their team's culture
- Rules and expectations for the members help the team be on the same page
- Be sure to address codes of conduct, team travel policies, fundraising requirements, participation requirements, meeting schedules, and anything else that is important to your team's culture



FIRST Team 1403 Cougar Robotics Member Contract 2018-2019

As a member of FIRST Team 1403 Cougar Robotics, I _____ promise to uphold the values of the FIRST organization, including Gracious Professionalism and Coopertition. Gracious Professionalism is a way of doing things that encourages high-quality work, emphasizes the value of others, and respects individuals and the community. Coopertition is displaying unqualified kindness and respect in the face of fierce competition.

I understand my responsibilities as a member of the team to include:

1. Good behavior and safety at team meetings

Members must...

- Always be on time, or email your team leaders as to why you are not able to attend a meeting.
- Sign-in and sign-out on the attendance laptop system. This is used for Varsity requirements.
- Listen to the team captain, team managers, and team leaders by following directions.
- Be respectful of other members and mentors.

FRC Team 1678: Citrus Circuits
Student Team Handbook

Team Leadership
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About the handbook
This handbook is intended to contain the information needed for all 1678 team members to understand the administrative and logistical procedures for FRC Team 1678: Citrus Circuits. It is updated yearly by core leadership to accurately represent current standards.

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Example Rules: Code of Conduct

Behavior rules should align with FIRST Core Values and focus on inclusion, respect, and good communication

- _____ I agree that my behavior in posts, messages, meetings and competitions will be gracious, and I will treat my teammates, volunteers, other teams, and my mentors with respect.
- _____ I agree to respect the space and equipment used by the team.
- _____ I agree to cooperate on whatever solution the team chooses, even if it is not my choice.
- _____ I am responsible for reading and responding promptly to email and messages and communicating with my coaches and team members

Example Rules: Effort and Contribution

The level of effort required and attendance expectations need to laid out clearly so that the student can plan ahead.

- _____ I agree that I will make every effort to attend all events and meetings and prioritize robotics. If a conflict arises, I will notify the mentors 2 days prior to the meeting.
- _____ I agree to work the hours needed (even outside team meetings) to get the work I commit to done at the highest quality possible.
- _____ I agree that the goal of my team should be to do our best work. As a member of the team, I will contribute to all aspects of the process, not just the parts I like best.

Examples from Other Teams

- **Team Contracts:**
- Team 971 <http://frc971.org/content/TeamRulesAndExpectations>
- FRC 1511 <http://penfieldrobotics.com/docs/TeamHandbook.pdf>
- FRC 1678
http://www.citruscircuits.org/uploads/6/9/3/4/6934550/2018-19_citrus_circuits_team_handbook.pdf
- FRC 1828
<http://1828boxerbots.org/docs/Handbook%20Contract.pdf>
- FRC 1403 <https://cougarrobotics.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Team-Contract-18-19.pdf>
- **Safety Rules:**
- FRC 1676 <https://team1676.com/safety>
- FRC 3637 <https://www.team3637.com/safety/>

Parents Also Need Rules

- Having a contract with parents can also help make sure that everyone affiliated with the team is on the same page

I agree to discuss all items listed in the student contract with my child and provide any support they might need to meet their obligations.

I realize that the team's mentors are voluntarily contributing a significant amount of time and effort to provide this rewarding experience for my child and the team. I will try to be as cooperative and helpful as possible.

I agree to drop off and pick up my child promptly.

I understand that I may be asked to volunteer at events or competitions.

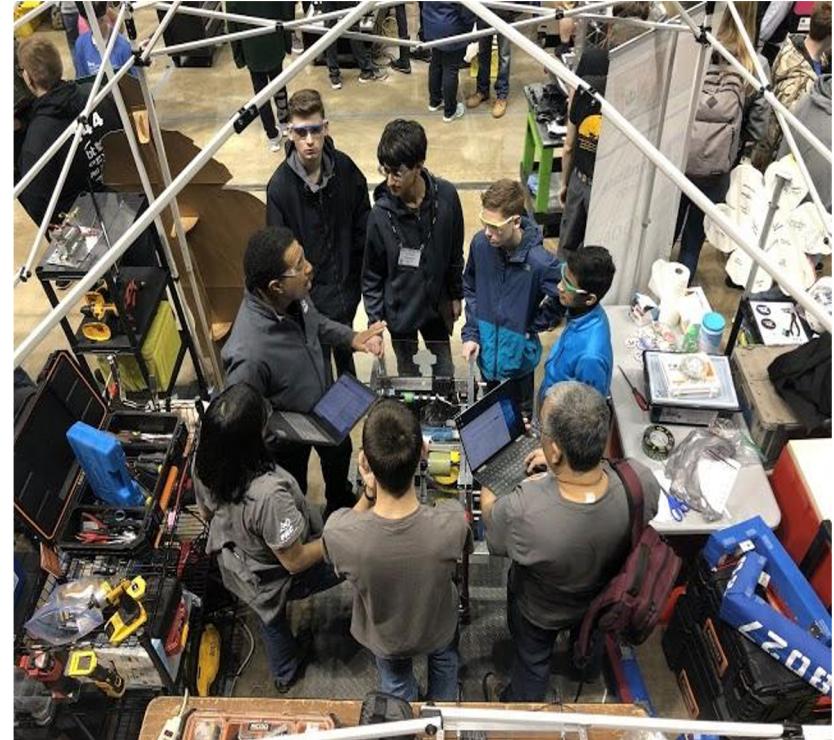
I understand that photos and videos of my child may be taken and included in team marketing materials and shared on social media.

I authorize my child's mentors to supervise my child at meetings, events, and competitions, and give permission for them to care for my child as needed.

I understand that my family will be asked to help the team fundraise, seek sponsorships, or contribute money for registration fees and robot equipment.

Rules & Expectations at Events

- Teams are also expected to follow rules at events
- Rules may change at different venues
- Make sure that you respect other teams, the organizers as well as any venue-specific rules
- (<https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/frc/event-experience>)



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