

## SCORING PROCEDURE

The National Science Olympiad scoring procedure is followed at all New Jersey Science Olympiad tournaments. Teams get points for each event as follows:

- After all teams have competed in an event, the event supervisor assigns place points for each team. The team with the best score in the event receives one place point, the second best team receives two place points and so on.
- In the very unlikely event that a team participates in an event but cannot be ranked by the event supervisor, e.g. because of total mechanical failure of a device, the event supervisor will put a P (Participation) in the event place column for that team. Teams with the letter P in the event place column will receive “n” points where n equals the total number of teams registered in the tournament.
- The event supervisor will put the letters NS (No Show) in the event place column for teams that do not show up for an event. Teams with the letters NS in the event place column will receive n+1 points.
- The event supervisor will put the letters DQ (Disqualified) in the event place column for teams that are disqualified for behavior problems or poor sportsmanship. Teams with the letters DQ in the event place column will receive n+2 points.
- The event place columns will be totaled by the tournament score tabulators for each team to determine a team overall score used to rank teams from first to last place.
- **The team with the lowest overall points wins the first place trophy, the team with second lowest overall points wins the second place trophy and so on. Teams that participate in all events generally achieve a better overall rank than teams that do not participate in all events.**