

Rules for ALL Projects Involving Hazardous Chemicals, Activities and Devices

1. The use of hazardous chemicals and devices and involvement in hazardous activities require direct supervision by a Designated Supervisor, except those involving DEA-controlled substances, which require supervision by a Qualified Scientist.
2. The student researcher must conduct a risk assessment in collaboration with a Designated Supervisor or Qualified Scientist prior to experimentation. This risk assessment is documented on the Risk Assessment Form 3.
3. Student researchers must acquire and use regulated substances in accordance with all local, state, U.S. federal and country laws. For further information or classification for these laws and regulations, contact the appropriate regulatory agencies.
4. For all chemicals, devices or activities requiring a Federal and/or State Permit, the student/supervisor must obtain the permit prior to the onset of experimentation. A copy of the permit must be available for review by adults supervising the project and the local and affiliated and the ISEF Scientific Review Committee in their review prior to competition.
5. The student researcher must minimize the impact of an experiment on the environment. Examples include using minimal quantities of chemicals that will require subsequent disposal; ensuring that all disposal is done in an environmentally safe manner and in accordance with good laboratory practices.
6. The following forms are required:
 - a. Checklist for Adult Sponsor (1), Student Checklist (1A), Research Plan and Approval Form (1B)
 - b. Regulated Research Institution Form (1C), when applicable
 - c. Qualified Scientist Form (2), when applicable
 - d. Risk Assessment Form (3)