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Gameplay

Head Referee

The Head Referee is a high visibility leadership position that is responsible for training, directing, and supervising all Referees and Official Scorers. They oversee all scoring processes and procedures and interact with students and volunteers. This physical role, positioned along the field border, has final authority for decisions regarding match scores. Plays a critical role in ensuring smooth flow of match play, facilitating a positive and fair environment for all competitors, and maintaining the pace of the event.

Experience required; understudy available

Reports to: Committee Chairs

Referee

Referees observe matches, identify rule infractions, "call them", and participate in deliberations regarding contested calls. They play a critical role in ensuring a positive, fair environment with a smooth flow of match play, and maintaining the pace of the event. This role is physically active, positioned on the perimeter of the playing field.

Reports to: Head Referee

Scorekeeper

Scorekeepers manage and operate Cheesy Arena software for the scoring and field control of competition matches. They communicate scores, play a critical role in ensuring smooth flow of match play, and assist with maintaining the pace of the event.

Reports to: Head Referee, FTA

Official Scorer

Official Scorers observe matches, count game pieces, and input scores. Scorers should have a high attention to detail. This is an ideal position for individuals who have limited experience volunteering but are highly interested in gameplay. This role is physically active, positioned on the perimeter of the playing field.

Reports to: Head Referee



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Judging

Judge Advisor

The Judge Advisor (JA) is responsible for leading the Judge Panel for their assigned group. Judge Advisors do not vote on awards but rather facilitate that process. This position requires a high level of organization and interpersonal skills. Judge Advisors must not have a conflict of interest with any competing teams and should expect to help prepare judging materials in anticipation of the event.

Experience required as a Judge or Judge Advisor; understudy available

Judge

Judges select team award recipients through interaction with teams and serve as role models for the students. Judges are often industry professionals in areas such as software engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, business, public relations, and more. There are both technical and non-technical judging areas available. Inexperienced judges will be paired with experienced judges for the duration of the event. Ideally, judges should not have any conflicts of interest with competing teams.

Reports to: Judge Advisor

Field/Tech

FIRST Technical Advisor (FTA)

The FIRST Technical Advisor (FTA) is responsible for keeping the competition field running smoothly and in accordance with FIRST requirements. The FTA works in collaboration with the planning committee, FIRST Technical Advisor Assistants (FTAAs), and other key volunteers at the event. This is a highly visible role with significant responsibility. Individuals volunteering as an FTA must be available for the duration of the event, including Friday setup and Sunday teardown.

Experience required as an FTA at an official event with training from FIRST HQ or a District; understudy available

Reports to: Committee Chairs

FIRST Technical Advisor Assistant (FTAA)

The FIRST Technical Advisor Assistant (FTAA) helps keep the competition field and event running smoothly and works in collaboration with the FIRST Technical Advisor. The position requires a high level of responsibility and can impact the quality of the event. Experience is not required as an FTAA at Capital City Classic, but individuals applying for this role should have



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strong technical instincts, high attention to detail, and familiarity with FIRST Robotics Competition gameplay and systems.

Reports to: FTA

Field Supervisor

The Field Supervisor supervises field assembly and disassembly in collaboration with the FIRST Technical Advisor (FTA). This is a critical role in the competition as they direct activity on the field to ensure efficient execution of the matches, maintain the pace of the event, and smooth flow of match play. Field Supervisors work in collaboration with the FIRST Technical Advisors who provide support and advice during the event. Field Supervisors also lead the Field Reset Crew.

Experience as field reset required; experience as field supervisor strongly preferred; understudy available

Reports to: FTA

Field Reset

Field Repair/Reset volunteers for repair and reset the playing field after each team match. Volunteers should have a high attention to detail for anything that may be wrong with the field and take appropriate action (which may include notifying the Field Supervisor or repairing the problem). Field Repair/Reset play a critical role in ensuring smooth flow of match play and maintaining pace of the event. This position is normally very physically active, with breaks during matchplay, and is ideal for those who want to be close to the action.

Reports to: Field Supervisor

Event Operations

Lead Queuer

The Lead Team Queuer directs and supervises the Team Queueers, enforces team traffic flow on and off the field, and monitors flow during the competition. They play a critical role in ensuring smooth flow of match play and maintaining the pace of the event. This is a physically active role.

Experience required as a Team Queuer

Reports to: Volunteer Coordinator

Queuer

Team Queueers play a critical role in ensuring smooth flow of match play and maintaining the pace of the event. Team Queueers are responsible for managing team traffic to and from the



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playing field and restricting access to the field for unauthorized individuals. This is a physically active role.

Reports to: Lead Team Queuer

Pit Administrator

Pit Administrators manage all activities in the Pit, along with Pit area operations. Pit Administrators make announcements, serve as an information center, provide lost and found support, and ensure the safety and smooth operations of the pit area. Pit Administrators are seated for the majority of their shift.

Reports to: Lead Team Queuer

Crowd Control

Crowd Control volunteers assist with the flow of robot and human traffic, enforce access rules, and ensure safe conditions throughout the venue. Crowd Control volunteers may be called upon to assist with aspects of event management as needed. This role is ideal for individuals who are comfortable enforcing rules (politely, patiently, and persistently) and have a strong commitment to safety.

Reports to: Lead Team Queuer, Volunteer Coordinator

Safety Glasses Attendant

Safety Glasses Attendants staff the Safety Glasses Stations set up at various areas throughout the event to hand out safety glasses to attendees entering the pits and/or onto the field.

Reports to: Pit Administrator

Merchandise / Check-In

Merchandise / Check-In volunteers will staff tables at the event that will check-in teams and volunteers, provide information, and sell merchandise. They may also assist with the volunteer lounge, student ambassador tours, and other needs of the event. Experience is not required and this role is excellent for team parents/friends. It is mostly seated, with occasional walking and light lifting.

Reports to: Volunteer Lounge Manager



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Audio / Visual

Audio / Visual / Photographer

Audio/Visual crew members assist with the production of the live and streamed event. Duties vary, but may include assisting with the live stream, switching video feeds, monitoring sound levels/microphones, running cables, etc. This role is essential to ensuring the high production quality we value. Experience is not required, though the role is highly technical.

Photographers help us capture Capital City Classic for posterity, marketing materials, social media, and presentations during the event. Capital City Classic is a dynamic event with action throughout. The ideal candidate should be comfortable capturing everything from fast paced robot gameplay to staged team photos.

Volunteers must provide their own camera and associated equipment and turn over all media to Capital City Classic at the end of the event

Reports to: Audio/Visual Lead

Master of Ceremonies (MC)

The Master of Ceremonies is the individual primarily responsible for setting the tone of the competition. They create and sustain an exciting, fun atmosphere throughout the event. The MC ensures the smooth flow of match play, maintains the pace of the event, and can significantly impact the quality of the competition. Experience is not required, though candidates should be extremely comfortable on a microphone in front of a large public audience.

Reports to: Audio/Visual Lead

Game Announcer (GA)

The Game Announcer works as part of a team with the Master of Ceremonies to energize the teams and spectators to generate interest and enthusiasm throughout the matches. Game Announcers ensure the smooth flow of match play, maintain the pace of the event, and can significantly impact the quality of the competition. Experience is not required, though candidates should be extremely comfortable on a microphone in front of a large public audience. Knowledge of this year's FIRST Robotics Competition game is a must.

Reports to: Audio/Visual Lead