# 2021 Science Olympiad National Tournament
# Out of Browser Time Penalties

- The Scilympiad platform was developed to accommodate the delivery of a remote Science Olympiad Tournament in accordance with our values of integrity and excellence. It has the ability to record when participants are outside of the Scilympiad competition browser. Participants should only be out of the browser for select events and as permitted by the rules or permitted by the Event Supervisor as part of an event.

- To avoid any Out of Browser Time being accrued during an event all participants in the event should:
  - make sure that their computers are fully charged or plugged in;
  - disable any and all pop-up notifications (i.e.; email notifications, alarms, calendar notifications, or automatic updates) that may be active or set on their device; and,
  - compete using a computer, laptop, or Chromebook.

- To avoid any Out of Browser Time being accrued during an event all participants in the event should not:
  - have any other window, tab, application (i.e.; Netflix, Spotify, Pandora, Discord) open other than the Scilympiad competition browser;
  - open multiple tabs or browsers accessing the Scilympiad competition browser at the same time;
  - use electronic notes or resources for an event unless it explicitly states in the 2021 Rules, or in the following Specific Event Modifications, they are allowed; and,
  - compete using a tablet or phone.

- In Events where leaving the Scilympiad competition browser is not required by the event instructions or the Event Supervisor, the Out of Browser Time for the participants from every team will be totaled at the end of the Event.

- Head Coaches of teams deemed to have excessive Out of Browser Time will be emailed and asked to have their team members explain the Out of Browser Time occurrence.

- Depending upon the justification given, Tournament Officials may choose to apply the following Out of Browser Time penalties to that team in the impacted Event:

| Cumulative Total Out of Browser Time/Team | Applied Penalty |
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| No Cumulative Total of Out of Browser Time | No Penalty |
| Class I Total | 5% Deduction of Final Points |
| Class II Total | 15% Deduction of Final Points |
| Class III Total | 35% Deduction of Final Points |
| Class IV Total | 75% Deduction of Final Points |
| Class V Total | Disqualification |

- If a penalty is assessed the Head Coach will be notified by email and have the option of filing an Appeal.