

AMERICAN LEGION PREMIER ILLINOIS BOYS STATE

QUIZ BOWL-RULES

Participants

- Each team may have no more than 8 players on the roster
- No more than 5 players may play at a given time
- Teams may stop play to make substitutions no more than three times per round. Substitutions may only be made prior to a toss-up question.

Play

- There will be 2 rounds of play, each consisting of 10 toss-up questions.
- Toss-up questions will be worth 10 points, bonus questions will be worth a total of 20 points. If a bonus consists of three parts, the first two parts shall be worth 7 points and the remaining part worth 6 points.
- Toss-up questions will be asked to both teams at the same time. The first team to signal they are ready to answer will be given priority.
- Players will have 10 seconds from the end of the toss-up question being read to activate their signaling device. Once signaled, the team shall have 15 seconds to answer.
- If a player signals before the toss-up question is completely read, the moderator shall stop reading and allow the team 15 seconds to answer. If the team is unable to answer, the moderator shall read the question again from the beginning and allow the other team 15 seconds to answer the question.
- A toss-up question can be read again if no team has signaled and a request for a re-read has been made.
- The moderator will have final judgment on correct answers and awarding of points. If an answer is ambiguous, the moderator may request the answerer to be more specific.
- If a team answers a toss-up question correctly, the game moves on to a bonus question consisting of multiple parts. The team who answered the toss-up question correctly will control the bonus question. Once read, teams will be given 30 seconds to collaborate. If the team in control desires to call time before the 30 seconds is complete, they may do so, and all collaboration and discussion must cease immediately. The team in control will then have the opportunity to answer first. Once the team in control has had the opportunity to answer all parts, the non-controlling team may attempt to answer any questions not correctly solved.
- Questions will range from Political to Pop Culture to Academic and everything in between.

Scoring

- Toss-up questions will be worth 10 points, bonus questions will be worth a total of 20 points. If a bonus consists of three parts, the first part shall be worth 7 points, and each remaining part worth 6 points.
- The team with the most points will win.
- If there is a tie, there will be a bonus round of at least two questions until one team is the winner.

PLAYOFF SYSTEM

2 team tie – Head to Head breaks the tie. If still tied, one round of 10 questions will be played to break the tie.

3 team tie – Total points for the three matches breaks the tie. If still two-way tie for first, one round of 10 questions will be played to break the tie. If still three-way tie for first, a coin shall be flipped...odd team gets the bye. Two teams play one round of 5 questions, with the winner playing the third team in one round of 5 questions.