

Jewelry Fabrication

PURPOSE

To test the knowledge and skills of various aspects of general jewelry based knowledge, fabrication of project(s), safety, professional development, creativity, and current Jewelry technical processes in approximately 4 to 5 hours.

The Jewelry competition a team of no more than 3 individuals to represent each school district that is represented for regional and state competition competition(s). The participant(s) and advisor(s) will be responsible for collecting, maintaining tools that are necessary to compete in the Jewelry challenge activities following the competition guide list sent from the host of the competition. Additional or Alternative tools or equipment will not be permitted for use, unless deemed before the competition and verified by host of the competition, in which all contestant will have access for use. Individuals will be evaluated with a jewelry rubric by judges (see attachment), drawings, fabrication process, safety, written exam, resume, and written cost estimates.

CLOTHING REQUIREMENT

Depending on the Host and scope of the competition each apparel will suffice for competition.

Presentation of Competition:

For men: Official red blazer, windbreaker-style jacket or sweater; black dress slacks; white dress shirt (polo) plain black tie with no pattern or SkillsUSA black tie; black socks and black shoes.

For women: Official red blazer or jacket; black dress skirt (knee-length) or slacks with business like white polo; white, collarless blouse or white blouse with small, plain collar that may not extend onto the lapels of the blazer; black sheer or skin-tone seamless hose and black dress shoes.

Men may also wear official SkillsUSA white polo shirt with black dress slacks, black socks and black shoes. Women may also wear official SkillsUSA white polo shirt with black dress slacks or skirt, black socks or black or clear seamless hose and black shoes.

Technical skill competition:

White polo, shirt; blouse with official SkillsUSA logo; apron; black slacks or knee length skirt; black closed shoes.

These regulations refer to clothing items that are pictured and described at: www.skillsusastore.org. If you have questions about clothing or other logo items, call 800-401-1560 or 703-956-3723.

Note: Contestants must wear their official contest clothing to the contest orientation meeting.

ELIGIBILITY

Open to any active SkillsUSA members currently enrolled in Career and Technical Education program at their High School or Skill Center by registration date requirements.

OBSERVER RULE

(Judges) will be allowed to observe all contestant(s) and if necessary advisors may observe providing space is available. Advisors will not communicate in any way with judges or contestant, if doing so may result in disqualifying the contestant representing their district. No talking or gesturing will be permitted from any contestant in which will result in disqualification. Judges will communicate with only host during this event. The event chair, moderator, host may remove observers and/or close the event to observers for cause. Active Contestants (members of teams who have not been eliminated) may not be present in room during the competition. Any individual receiving willing feedback or coaching from any observer during the contest will be disqualified. Any individual using electronic devices to enhance their knowledge during the competition will be disqualified.

EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS

1. Supplied by the technical committee and Host:
 - a. A work bench table or space for each individual plus a table(s) or space for any other use of equipment such as torches, vices, forging equipment.
 - b. Chairs for all participants, committee and judges
 - c. Sufficient score sheets and pencils for judges
 - d. Blank paper and or forms for the individual(s)s members for drawing or completing a cost evaluation sheet
 - e. Calculators for contest officials
2. Supplied by the contestants:
 - f. All competitors must create a one-page résumé and submit a hard copy to the technical committee chair at orientation. **Failure to do so will result in a 10-point penalty.**
3. Personnel required:
 - a. Moderator/host(s)
 - b. timekeeper(s)
 - c. Judges who will serve as scorekeepers
 - d. runners for additional materials or supplies

SCOPE OF THE CONTEST

Knowledge Performance

A jewelry challenge will be administered to all participant(s), each participant will be given a written exam over basic jewelry fabrication techniques. (See attachment).

Skill Performance

Individual will demonstrate communication skills, fabrication work, problem solving and time management skills by presenting a finished product(s) and be present to answer to any question(s) by judges clearly within an adequate time frame.

Contest Guidelines

1. The team may consist of no-less than 3 participants. All team members must be registered SkillsUSA Members prior to the membership registration deadlines in order to participate.
2. A team may register up to 3 alternates. The alternates are required to attend orientation and take the written test. Alternates are also required to be registering SkillsUSA Members prior to the registration deadline.
3. Distribution of information, documents, and tie breaker information. All documents such as design challenge scenario, rubrics, written exam(s), tie breakers, and supply/equipment list will be sent 2 weeks prior to competition. Advisors are not to communicate any of the above information to contestants before orientation day of the competition(s). If it is apparent that an advisor has taught to the competition challenge, will result in a disqualification of the participant(s). Tie breaker will be determined by the technical committee and host prior before the competition. All competition information will be sent to participating advisors; Jewelry Design Challenge documents, supplies, and equipment list; tie breaking; and resume requirement. Tie breakers can consist of Artist statement(s), written basic exam, SkillUSA knowledge of creeds, mission statement, codes, rules, and appropriate apparel placement of lapel pin.