



Ringing World National Youth Contest

RULES

ELIGIBILITY

All team members must be aged under 19 on 31st August in the year of the Contest.

No ringer may ring in more than one team, except as follows: if a team meets short due to illness, or other circumstances, a maximum of one ringer may be drafted in from another team.

FORMAT

Teams may choose to ring either Call Changes or a touch of Triples or Major

There will be prizes for both the best Call Changes ringing and the best Method ringing.

The Whitechapel Trophy will be awarded to the team with the overall best performance.

CALL CHANGES

Call Changes shall be a minimum of 160 rows (from the first change to the last backstroke row before rounds at the end).

The test piece shall start and end in rounds and include at least two of the rows Queens (13572468), Tittums (15263748) and Whittingtons (12753468).

Rows will be marked from the first change to the last row before rounds at the end.

Rounds before and after the test piece will not be marked.

Any rows under the minimum number of 160 rows shall incur additional faults.

Teams may supply someone to count rows during their test piece, if desired.

METHOD

The touch shall be 168 changes of Triples or 160 changes of Major.

Rows will be marked from the first change to the first row of rounds at the end (inclusive).

Rounds before and after the test piece will not be marked (note that the row when the touch comes into rounds is part of the test piece).

STARTING SIGNAL

The signal for the start of the test piece shall be two whole pulls on the treble and second (i.e. 1212, 1212).

GENERAL

Entry is accepted at the discretion of the Organisers and teams shall be bound by the rules of the Contest.

Each team will be allocated a time slot in the tower, during which they may adjust ropes, ring their whole piece for practice, give the starting signal and then ring their test piece. Any team failing to complete their test piece within 15 minutes of starting their practice may incur additional faults.

The conductor must be a participating team member, conducting from within the circle.

A steward, appointed by the Contest Organisers, will be present in the tower for each team.

In addition, an adult plus up to 2 reserves may accompany the team in the tower, but must play no part other than

- to assist with rope adjustments, if required.
- to count rows during the test piece for a team ringing Call Changes, if desired.
- to assist in an emergency.

There shall be no coaching of teams in the tower by non-contestants.

Other non-contestants shall not be allowed in the tower, except with the express permission of the Contest Organisers.

The Whitechapel Trophy remains the property of The Ringing World Ltd. and must be returned on request.

The Judges' decision is final.

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