Rotary District 5320 Speech Contest

Timing Instructions

Please read the first two paragraphs to the contestants before the start of the contest

Speech length is four (4) to five (5) minutes. A speaker shall be disqualified if he/she speaks for less than 4 minutes or **more than 5 min 30 sec**. The **green card** will be displayed (or the green light turned on) **at 4 minutes**. The **yellow card** will be displayed (or the amber light turned on) **at 4 minutes and 30 seconds**. The **red card** will be displayed (or the red light turned on) **at five minutes** and remain displayed (or on) until the speech ends.

Timing will begin with the contestant's first definite verbal or non-verbal communications with the audience. This will usually be the first word uttered by the contestant, but would include any other communication such as sound effects, a silent staged act prior to speaking, etc.

No signal will shall be given to indicate that a presentation has gone overtime. In the event of technical failure (if timing lights are used) a contestant is allowed 30 seconds of extra overtime before being disqualified.

Record each contestant's presentation time on the form below. Circle any time which disqualifies the contestant. Give the completed form to the Contest Chair immediately after the last presentation.

Contestant	**Presentation Time** / Minutes	**Presentation Time** / Seconds

4 minutes

4 min 30 sec

5 minutes