

JUDGE'S GUIDE – PUBLIC SPEAKING

Impromptu Speeches

1. AGE:

- Seniors: – 13 and over as of December 31 of the previous year.
– 1-2 minute speech (75% score on prepared speech plus 75% score on impromptu speech qualifies member for a Senior Skill Certificate)

2. USE OF SCORECARD:

- a) Judges are to score using the Excellent-Poor range by placing a in the appropriate box.
b) Add 1 Bonus marks into total to get mark if no props or costumes are used in support of the speech.
** see note 4.a. below
c) Deduct 2 points for under or over time.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE 4-H PUBLICATION #1805 "COMMUNICATION LEADERS' GUIDE" AND #1806 "COMMUNICATION MANUAL"

3. Topic:

Contestants to be prepared for any topic. Suggested topics are to be simple, everyday occurrences, things or events that are relative to 13-19 year olds; e.g. school, home, family, hobbies, sports, etc.

To be the same for ALL contestants at any one event.

4. Additional Provincial Public Speaking Program Rules:

- ** a. No indication of elapsed time to be given to the speaker during the speech.
b. Contestants may make notes during their one-minute preparation time, but may not use notes in the delivery of their impromptu speech.