2019 Ontario Envirothon Rules and Regulations

General:

- The competition is open to all invited teams including: regional Envirothon winners, Presentation Challenge winners, Wild Card draw winners and the Ontario Envirothon Spirit Competition winners.
- Each team will consist of five (5) students from the same school, home-school group, or local organization (except for teams from joint vocational schools, team members cannot be drawn from different schools i.e. no 'all-star teams').
- All team members must be enrolled in grades 9 - 12 for the entire school year.
- All competition events including: opening ceremonies, testing, presentation recording and winning team announcement take place online. It is the Ontario Envirothon coaches' responsibility to secure space as required in their school for these activities.
- External proctors are required to observe the entire testing process and presentation recording. Forests Ontario will work with Ontario Envirothon coaches to arrange for a proctor for each participating school.
- Ontario Envirothon coaches are also required to remain with the team throughout the testing and presentation components.
- Important documents will be posted to the 2019 Ontario Envirothon web page, click here to review.
- The top scoring team will be invited to the North American Envirothon to represent Ontario.
  - Registration fees will be covered by Forests Ontario, travel costs are reasonability of winning team.
  - Wining team will be determined by combination of testing and presentation scores.

Testing:

- Testing will open at 9:00 am on Wednesday May 29th, 2019. Online access to the test will close automatically at 4:00 pm on Wednesday May 29th.
- Teams will be provided with a username and password which will grant access to the Mobius platform and Ontario Envirothon provincial test.
- Teams are asked to test their login information once received, if there are technical issues please contact University of Waterloo support at mobiushelp@uwaterloo.ca
- Each team will have a maximum of ninety (90) minutes to complete the online test. Timer starts automatically when the test is opened and will remain running even if exited.
  - Test includes the following question formats: multiple choice, matching, identification, short answer and long answer.
- Tests are to be completed as a team using one (1) computer.
- Cell phones and resource materials are prohibited during testing unless expressly permitted by Forests Ontario; teams found to be accessing these materials may be disqualified or have marks deducted.

Presentation:

- Presentation scenario will be released on May 28th at 9:30 am via email and through the 2019 [Ontario Envirothon webpage](#).
- Presentation scenario will be focused on 2019 Current Issue Agroecology.
- Presentation videos are a maximum of ten (10) minutes in length. Videos exceeding ten (10) minutes will have points deducted.
- Presentations are to be filmed by the Ontario Envirothon coach, filming is not provided.
- Filming can take place before or following testing. If teams opt to film their presentation following testing a short break is permissible, however the proctor must stay on site with the team.
- Video presentations are to be posted to YouTube immediately following filming. Participating teams are responsible for sending a video link to envirothon@forestsontario.ca.
    - The submission deadline is 5:00 pm on Wednesday May 29th, 2019.
    - Late submissions may not be considered.
- Each team will be assigned a team number which must be included in the video title and introduction.
- Teams should not indicate their school, city or regional affiliation in the video or video title. Inclusion of this information will result in the deduction of points.
- All five (5) team members are expected to participate equally in the presentation. Unequal participation could result in the loss of points. Teams are encouraged to review the Presentation Score sheet before creating their video.
- Teams are encouraged to use visual aids to augment their presentations. The following materials are acceptable for use:
    - Printer or lined notebook paper
    - White Bristol board
    - Chart paper
    - Pencils or pens
    - Markers
    - Erasers
    - Rulers
- The following are not permitted in presentation videos and their inclusion or use will result in the deduction of points:
    - Print outs (all visuals must be prepared by hand)
    - Music
    - Props (i.e. costumes, instruments, tools), except for materials on the approved list
    - Video editing
    - People not on the Envirothon team (including the team advisor)