NOSB Confidentiality & Quality Agreement

It is essential that individuals involved in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl® question development and/or question review process understand that the questions are the heart of the NOSB program and that they must be of the highest quality and remain confidential for perpetuity.

I, ________________________________, understand

1) that the content of all NOSB questions, whether or not they are questions I developed or edited, must remain confidential before, during and after the competition. In order to protect the integrity of the competition, I agree to never divulge question content to any individuals under any circumstances. _______(initial here)

2) it is essential to the program’s success that I supply high quality questions and therefore refrain from basing questions on Wikipedia content and submit references I used to develop each question. ______(initial here)

3) any questions I submit are now property of the National Ocean Sciences Bowl® and cannot be used for any other purpose or competition. ______(initial here)

4) that after I have submitted my questions OR I have finished reviewing a regional or Finals competition, I must permanently delete any question files off my computer and/or shred any documents containing question material. ______(initial here)

5) that I must inform the NOSB national office of any conflicts of interest, or the appearance of such, that arise during my time as an NOSB question writer or reviewer. (Examples of conflicts: plans to coach or mentor an NOSB team in the near future). ______(initial here)

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Signature

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Date