

Tie Breaker Sheet

NOTE*- there must be at least three judges for this to work. NO JUDGE can have a TIE on his or her own individual scoring sheet. If they do, they must first break the tie on the total score (using THEIR OWN JUDGEMENT!) and then rank the participants accordingly. **THIS SHEET IS ONLY FOR THE FINAL RANKING TOTAL OF ALL JUDGES!**

If there is a tie in rank between participants on the FINAL ranking sheet (with all judges' ranks recorded), use the below process to break the tie!

VIEW ONLY THE TWO PARTICIPANTS THAT ARE TIED (or add a third row in the case of a RARE three-way tie) Use only a rank of one or two (or three if it is a three-way). Which participant was higher for judge one? Place a 1 in that blank and a 2 in the other (or 1, 2, 3 if needed). Which participant was higher for judge 2? Place a 1 in that blank and a 2 (or 3) in the other (s). Which one was higher for judge 3? Place a 1 in the blank below and a 2 (or 3) in the other blank(s). When you total these up, the tie should be broken. The LOWEST total gets the HIGHER place, the second lowest gets the next place.

	Judge 1	Judge 2	Judge 3	Total
<u>Participant #</u> _____				
<u>Participant #</u> _____				
<u>(if needed) Participant #</u> _____				

If more than one tie needs breaking, here's another sheet-

	Judge 1	Judge 2	Judge 3	Total
<u>Participant #</u> _____				
<u>Participant #</u> _____				
<u>(if needed) Participant #</u> _____				

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROCESS, PLEASE CONTACT THE COORDINATOR IMMEDIATELY. DO NOT USE YOUR OWN WAY OF BREAKING TIES! THAT IS NOT FAIR TO THE PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE WORKED SO HARD AND ARE SO CLOSE!

(This also keeps more outspoken judges from persuading "quieter" judges into who should be higher and allows each judge their own EQUAL opinion of who was best!)