



## Team Challenge Questions (TCQ) Template

### TCQ Writing Formatting and Reminders:

1. Header (round, category and time): Text must be in Times New Roman, bold, 14 pt font
2. Questions: Text must be in Times New Roman, 12 pt font (including questions on the answer page)
3. Answers: Answers must be in Times New Roman, italics, 12 pt font
4. Answer page must start on a new page with ANSWER noted at the top of the page
5. TCQs must be worth 20 points total
6. All final TCQs must be submitted via the Google Drive folders provided to question writers, use the templates on the following pages only to help you draft your questions or for reference
7. References are required. Please provide a citation or a URL for the topics/data/concept used in preparation of the question. The NOSB National Office is requiring references for ALL buzzer and TCQ questions. Questions which are missing references will NOT be accepted. This will help ensure the questions are correct and of high quality and can be revised appropriately for use. Questions based on Wikipedia information will NOT be accepted. This citation/URL information is also crucial for the individuals reviewing the questions in the Technical Advisory Panels and at the regional and national levels prior to competitions.

**Round:** (leave blank)

**Category:** (fill in with one of the following: **Biology, Chemistry, Physical, Geology, Marine Policy, Technology, or Social Sciences**)

**Time:** X minutes (fill in with appropriate timing, 2-5 mins, whole minutes only)

1. Question 1 (X pts)

2. Question 2 (X pts)

3. Question 3 (X pts)

**\*Reminder: ALL TCQs must have a total of 20 points!**

\*TCQs can include more than 3 questions...this is just a template.

\*Please note: **If you insert a graph, plot or image into the question, you must provide a copy of the original image or a URL to the source.** The reviewers need to be able to access the original graphic file during the review and publication process.

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1. Question 1

*Answer 1 (X pts – whole points ONLY)*

2. Question 2

*Answer 2 (X pts)*

3. Question 3

*Answer 3 (X pts)*

Reference: (Fill in with the citation or a URL for the topics/data/concept used in preparation of the question.)

\*Break down points as you see fit. If students must give 2 answers to correctly address the question, award each part points and underline the exact text they must give (X pts) in order to receive all the points (X pts). If they can give multiple answers please indicate by using “OR” or “any three of the following:”

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