

# Summary of Changes

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## **1002. COMPETITION DIVISIONS.**

**Change.** Regions have been removed from the competition due changing the Regional and Category Rounds to the Semifinals.

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## **3004. COMPETITION TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS.**

3004.1.

**Change.** Updated hardware requirements to those on the CyberPatriot website. Note virtualization technology enabled is included.

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## **3009. COMPETITION STRUCTURE AND ADVANCEMENT.**

**Change.** Regional Round and Category Round have been changed to the Semifinals.

**Change.** U.S. States, Canada, and At-Large teams are the three locations that will be considered for awards and advancement.

3009.1.

**Change.** The advancement to the Semifinals has changed for the Open and All service Divisions. The top 25% of teams in each tier and category advance from the State Round to the Semifinals. State and Category Wild Cards make up the remaining teams that advance if they are not in the top 25%.

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## **3010. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

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**Change.** Semifinals Awards for Open and All Service Division have been changed for the Gold and Silver Tiers. The top 12 teams in each Open Division Tier and the top two teams in each All Service Division Category receive digital certificates.

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## **3011. ALTERNATE COMPETITION TIMES**

**Change.** Clarifies that the backup dates for a competition-wide postponement are the weekend of the scheduled backup date and not just the Saturday.

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**4002. TIME RESTRICTIONS**

4002.2.h.

**Change.** Incorporates the new Unique Identifier format and requirement for its use after opening an image.

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**4004. NO OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE.**

**Change.** Clarifies restrictions on non-competing team members.

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**4005. SHARING AND ACCESSING OF COMPETITION IMAGES, SOFTWARE, DOCUMENTATION, AND INFORMATION.**

4005.3.

**Change.** Specifies that Cisco Networking Challenge materials, software, and documents are included in the rule. Previously it was implied.

4005.9.

**Change.** Clarifies documents relating to the competition include unanswered questions and other documents.

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**4007. INTERNET CONNECTIVITY TO COMPETITION SERVERS AND WEBSITES REQUIRED.**

**Change.** Includes mandatory internet access to [www.uscyberpatriot.org](http://www.uscyberpatriot.org) and [www.netacad.com](http://www.netacad.com) for the competition.

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**4014. SCORE CORRECTION REQUESTS.**

4014. 2.

**Change.** Requires online form for score correction requests.

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**4015. APPEALS PROCESS.**

4015.3.

**Change.** Grounds not considered for appeals updated to include:

- Issues related to the use of non-Windows Computers and software.
- Issues related to the use of Windows host computers that do not meet technical specifications to include not having a 64-bit system and virtual technology disabled in the BIOS.

