

INTACT PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST 2022 **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

A Public Speaking Contest is held each year at the Annual Meeting. A speaker from each Local Association is eligible to participate. The winner receives a plaque engraved with their name to keep permanently along with a cash award of \$500.00. Second place receives a cash award of \$250.00. Third place receives a cash award of \$150.00. Every contestant receives a certificate, stating the year of the contest, name, etc. Intact Insurance sponsors the contest.

REGULATIONS FOR INTACT PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Speakers

1. One representative from each Local Association may participate.
2. The speaker's topic may be chosen from any of the suggested topics or a topic of their own choice.
3. The speech shall be of five (5) minutes duration
4. Before the Contest commences, the speakers will draw for order of speeches.
5. Speakers will remain outside the room until it is their turn to speak.
6. The judges will choose a spokesperson to comment on the speeches.
7. The winner is announced during the Saturday evening banquet.
8. The winner of the Public Speaking Contest will be barred from competing until two (2) years has elapsed.
9. Deadline for entries shall be March 31, 2022
10. Acknowledgement of the entry form shall be forward to the Director by the Public Speaking Chairman.
11. Chairman to advise the Local Association if submissions were accepted or rejected.

The Timekeeper

1. The timekeeper will be arranged by the Public Speaking Chairman.
2. The timekeeper will be seated where she can be seen clearly by the contestants.
3. The timekeeper will have a copy of the Regulations and know the time allotted for speeches.

4. The timekeeper will have a stopwatch.
5. One minute before the end of time allotted each speaker, the timekeeper will stand up and remain standing until one minute has expired – and then the timekeeper will sit down.
6. For the benefit of the Judges, at the conclusion of each address, the timekeeper will announce the actual time taken.

The Judges

1. The Host City will provide three (3) bilingual judges, when required.
2. During the speeches, the judges will be seated in different parts of the room and shall not confer with each other, or with any other person, from the time the Contest starts until the decision has been announced.
3. Judges will use the Official Worksheet and Ballot of the C.A.I.W.
4. When the judging of each Speaker has been completed, each judge will raise their hand to notify the Chairman that they are ready to proceed.
5. No speaker shall be penalized for speaking one minute over or under the time allotted. Excessive overtime or under time, will be penalized by deducting a maximum of five (5) points for each excessive minute. Deductions shall be made from the “DELIVERY” section.
6. Apparent reading from a prepared text, other than brief statements obtained from authoritative sources and statistics, will be penalized by deducting points from the “DELIVERY” section at the discretion of the judges.
7. Each judge shall fill out the Official Worksheet, total the score of each speaker and then, according to these totals, give their decision by writing the names of first, second, and third place winners on the Official Ballot.
8. Judges will render independent decisions designating the winning speaker, second and third place winners
9. The majority opinion of two (2) judges, as to the winner, will determine the result, regardless of the point totals made by the three (3) judges. In the event of a tie, then the total points of the tied speakers shall determine the winner. If the points total is also tied, then the speaker with the highest points for the “DELIVERY” section shall be the winner. **DELIVERY** comprises VOICE, PHYSICAL, LANGUAGE and MANNER Sections.
10. A suitable gift will be provided by C.A.I.W. for presentation to each judge.