



South Australian Debating Association Inc

## CHAIRPERSON'S FORM

*(This form is for a debate with a panel of adjudicators. The affirmative team provides the chairperson.*

*Please complete this form before the debate and stand when speaking.)*

Good afternoon/evening ladies & gentlemen. Welcome to \_\_\_\_\_ (venue)  
for this \_\_\_\_\_ (grade) [Quarter/Semi/Grand] Final / Inter-collegiate debate.  
The topic is: "that \_\_\_\_\_"

The affirmative team is from \_\_\_\_\_ (school name).

The negative team is from \_\_\_\_\_ (school name).

This debate will be adjudicated by a panel of \_\_\_ adjudicators (no. adjudicators). They are:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_, who will chair the panel.

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am the Chairperson for this debate.

The timekeeper is: \_\_\_\_\_ (name).

*(For Junior and Intermediate B Grade debates.)* There will be a warning bell of one ring at \_\_\_\_\_ minutes and a final bell of two rings at \_\_\_\_\_ minutes for all speakers.

*(For Intermediate A Grade, Senior B Grade and Senior A Grade debates.)* There will be a warning bell of one ring at 1 minute, indicating that points of information may be offered by opposing speakers. There will be a second bell of one ring at \_\_\_\_\_ minutes, indicating that points of information may no longer be offered. Points of information outside of these bells or of more than 15 seconds duration are out of order and the offeror will be called to order. There will be a final bell of two rings at \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.

I ask that mobile phones be turned off. I now declare the debate open, and call upon the first affirmative, \_\_\_\_\_ (name). *(Sit down.)*

*(Call the next speaker after the chair of the panel nods.)*

I now call upon the first negative, \_\_\_\_\_

I now call upon the second affirmative, \_\_\_\_\_

I now call upon the second negative, \_\_\_\_\_

I now call upon the third affirmative, \_\_\_\_\_

I now call upon the third negative, \_\_\_\_\_

*(After the third negative speech.)* Each adjudicator will now come to an independent decision. Having reached their decision, the adjudicators will place their score sheets on this table and then convene outside to discuss their decision before a representative of the panel returns to announce the result.

*(Once a member of the panel returns to deliver the result and gives you a nod.)* I now invite a member of the panel to announce the result.

*(After the adjudication has finished.)* I now call upon the team captain of the runners-up to give a vote of thanks.

*(After the runner-up captain has finished.)* I now call upon the team captain of the winning side to second the vote of thanks.

*(After the winning captain has finished.)* I declare this debate closed.