

# ***HELPFUL HINTS FOR PROJECT DISPLAY & SAFETY***

Please read the following information regarding rules for the display and safety of your science fair project. This information is minimal. It is best to familiarize yourself with specific details located on our website [www.sefmd.org](http://www.sefmd.org). Also you may research details at the ISEF website [www.student.societyforscience.org](http://www.student.societyforscience.org).

Some areas to consider...

## **Project Size**

	<i>Senior Division.</i>		<i>Junior Division</i>
Depth	30 in or 76 cm	Depth	24 in or 61 cm
Width	48 in or 122 cm	Width	36 in or 91 cm
Height	108 in or 274 cm	Height	108 in or 274 cm

- All materials must fit within the dimensions on the display table.
- Project board must be self-standing and not supported by other means.

## **Display Content**

- Display work must reflect only work completed by the finalist.
- Display board should summarize only the current year's work if the project is a continuation of previous year(s).
- Appropriate forms must be displayed if required.
- Multimedia or audio-visual presentations must be reviewed by the Display & Safety inspector before the project is approved for display.
- Photographs must be appropriate and not offensive; credit for photograph origin must be given; signed consent forms must be obtained for use of photographs that contain a person(s) other than the finalist.
- ONCE A PROJECT HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR DISPLAY, ABSOLUTELY NO ADDITIONS OR CHANGES MAY BE MADE TO THE PROJECT DISPLAY.
- PERSONAL ITEMS SHOULD NOT BE STORED UNDER THE DISPLAY TABLE.

**Safety Regulations:** Read carefully and check the website for further clarifications. Please be aware the Scientific Review Committee and the Display & Safety Committee reserve the right to question any display or display item they may consider an area of concern.

## **Items/Materials not allowed for display**

- Disks, CDs, business cards, printed materials, pins, key chains, etc.
- Awards, medals, Internet or email connections related to project topic.
- HANDOUTS to judges or the public are not allowed.
- Acknowledgements to mentors, parents, etc. are not to be displayed.
- Name(s) may be placed on the back of the board but should not be displayed on the front.
- Living organisms, plants, taxidermy items, preserved specimens, food, bodily fluids, chemicals.
- Hazardous items: weapons, poison, fire arms, ammunition, lasers, reloading devices, dry ice, 3-D printers, flammable materials.
- Sharp items: razors, needles, knives, pipettes, syringes, glass.

## **Electrical Regulations**

- No electrical power will be available or permitted at SEFMD or MSEF.
- No exposed live circuits over 36 volts will be allowed.
- Electrical devices must be protectively enclosed; enclosure must be noncombustible; non-current carrying metal parts must be grounded.
- Check the website for more information.