

Jessie Beck Elementary Science Fair

Display and Safety Regulations

The Jessie Beck Science Fair Committee is the final authority on display and safety issues for projects participating in the Science Fair. These regulations were taken from the Western Nevada Regional Science & Engineering Fair website and will be the same for our purposes.

Items Not Allowed at Project

1. Living organisms including plants **AND** Cultured Microorganisms
2. Soil or waste samples **unless permanently encased in a slab of acrylic**
3. Taxidermy specimens or parts
4. Preserved vertebrate or invertebrate animals
5. Human or animal food
6. Human/animal parts or body fluids (for example, blood, urine)
7. Plant materials (living, dead, or preserved) which are in their raw, unprocessed, or non-manufactured state. **EXCEPTION:** manufactured construction materials used in building the project or display.
8. Laboratory/household chemicals including water.
9. Poisons, drugs, controlled substances, hazardous substances or devices (for example, firearms, weapons, ammunition, reloading devices and lasers)
10. Dry ice or other sublimating solids.
11. Sharp items (for example, syringes, needles, pipettes, knives)
12. Flames or highly flammable materials
13. Batteries with open-top cells or with exposed terminals. Only AAA, AA, C & D batteries are acceptable.
14. Awards, medals, business cards, flags, endorsements and/or acknowledgements (graphic or written) unless the item(s) are an integral part of the project
15. Photographs or other visual presentations depicting vertebrate animals in surgical techniques, dissections, necropsies, or other lab procedures
16. Active Internet or e-mail connections as part of displaying the project.
17. Prior years' written material or visual depictions on the vertical display board. [Exception: the project title displayed in the Finalist's booth may mention years or which year the project is (for example, "Year Two of an Ongoing Study")].
18. Glass or glass objects unless deemed by Display & Safety Committee to be deemed an integral part and necessary part of the project
19. **Any apparatus or object deemed unsafe by the Display & Safety Committee**

Items Allowed; BUT, with the Restrictions Indicated

1. Soil, sand, rock, and/or waste samples **if permanently encased in a slab of acrylic.**
2. Postal addresses, World Wide Web and e-mail addresses telephone numbers, and fax numbers **of participant only.**
3. Photographs and/or visual depictions **if:**
 - a. **If not deemed offensive or inappropriate** by the Display and Safety Committee.
 - b. Credit lines if their origins ("Photograph taken by ..." or "Image taken from...") are attached. (If all photographs being displayed were taken by the participant or are from the same source, one credit line prominently displayed is sufficient.)
 - c. They are from the Internet, magazines, newspapers, journal, etc., and credit lines are attached. (If all photographs/images are from the same source, one credit prominently displayed is sufficient.)
 - d. They are photographs or visual depictions of the participant.
 - e. They are photographs of human subjects for which signed consent forms are at the project.
4. Any apparatus with unshielded belts, pulleys, chains, or moving parts with tension or pinch points **if for display only and not operated.**
5. Any apparatus producing temperature that will cause physical burns **if adequately insulated**