



Massachusetts Envirothon 2019

Friday, May 17

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DRAFT SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION / ORIENTATION

7:30 - 8:30 Registration Open

Come early and enjoy Coffee and Refreshments!

Teams and Coaches:

- Competition registration
- Community Awards registration
- Team pictures
- Important Note: Registration for teams closes at 8:30! You must be registered by 8:30 to be guaranteed a chance to compete! Late teams may not be able to participate.

Volunteers and Judges:

- Please arrive by 7:45 in order to register and get coffee before your orientation
- Orientations begin at 8:00 for Judges and Competition Volunteers

THE COMPETITION

8:30 - 8:45 Welcome and Announcements

8:45 Proceed to your station as noted on the schedule you received at Registration/Orientation

9:00 – 10:05 First Period 9-9:30 Current Issue 1.1 9:35-10:05 Current Issue 1.2

10:15 – 11:20 Second Period 10:15-10:45 Current Issue 2.1 10:50-11:20 Current Issue 2.2

11:30 – 12:35 Third Period 11:30-12 Current Issue 3.1 12:05-12:35 Current Issue 3.2

ENVIROTREK LUNCH

12:35 Lunch served. Enjoy good food. Relax and unwind.

12:45 As part of your lunch break:

- Roundtables: On your own table, spread out any photos and samples you brought, plus your Current Issue presentation materials, and share stories from your EnviroTrek (your trek through the Envirothon year)!
- Visit other tables and meet the Mass Envirothon community!
- Visit exhibits and the judging table with your entry for the t-shirt contest
- Fill out your Envirothon survey

1:45 Group photo and t-shirt contest

2:00 Awards Announcements and Community Awards Presentations

DON'T FORGET to stop by the Registration table for important handouts/information and to return your nametag and evaluation as you depart!

Mass Envirothon Frequently Asked Questions

What should I wear?

The Envirothon is held in the field, rain or shine or wind or mud. Please dress accordingly! Some specific items to bring: an extra layer for cooler weather than you expect, raingear, hat, waterproof footwear, insect repellent and sunscreen

What else should I bring?

The following items have proven to be useful tools for the day:

clipboard, pencils, small backpack, refillable water bottle.

What should I leave behind?

The following items are not permitted during the competition:

cell phones or electronic devices, field guides or any other test aids

What if the weather is bad?

The Envirothon is about being outdoors! Dress for the weather and bring your sense of adventure!

How does the Registration Process work on the morning of the event?

You will receive a registration checklist before the day of the event. Be sure to read it carefully and make sure you have the forms all signed and in order when you arrive. **Provide final confirmation of team member names, and sub-teams, to registration volunteers.** At the registration tables you will receive your team's schedules for the morning. Team presentation materials are transported to assigned presentation tent before competition.

What if my team is late?

Registration for teams closes at 8:30! You must be registered by 8:30 (or in line, if there is a line) to be guaranteed a chance to compete! We will do our best to offer a good experience to late teams, but they may not be able to participate in the competition.

What do the coaches do during the competition?

We do our best to provide coaches with a worthwhile experience. Coaches are assigned a schedule that keeps them apart from their team except to observe their team's Current Issue presentation. Activity options include: observe another team's presentation, participate in a service project, join a guided hike, and/or hear an introduction to next year's current issue. When in doubt about what to do, check in at the main tent.

What does our team do during the Current Issue half session when we are not presenting?

You **MUST** check in with the Current Issue Station Host. Stay together with your full team. Volunteers will engage you in an fun activity.

My subteam is only taking one test. What will we do during the other session?

During any session that you are not testing or presenting, your sub-team **MUST** report to the service project area and check in with the coordinator. You will have a chance to give back to the hosting site by helping out with a variety of tasks.

How is the Envirothon competition scored?

There are 400 points possible. Every team with at least five members at the competition will have the opportunity to compete at all stations. Each of the four ecostation tests is worth 75 points, for a total of 300 points. The current issue presentation score is worth 100 points (each scoring judge awards up to 100 points, and these scores are averaged to determine the team's presentation score of up to 100 points).

What competition results will be available before we leave the Envirothon?

At the 2:00 pm Awards Program we expect to announce this year's Community Award recipients. Some competition results may also be available at that time. Complete competition results will be announced at 5:00 pm on May 17 via email, and posted on the website on Saturday morning, May 18. We also expect to be able to provide each team with its complete Forest, Wildlife, Water, Soil, and Current Issue scores on Monday. Current Issue score and review sheets with comments from judges will be emailed a few days after the competition.

What do we need to do before we leave?

Stop by the Registration Tables for important information.

Return Evaluation surveys and all nametags.