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**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Early Bird Registration Deadline**
  - October 31, 2021
- **Regular Registration Deadline**
  - December 5, 2021
- **Last Day to Register and Order Additional Bundles**
  - December 10, 2021
- **Practice Competition Opens**
  - December 21, 2021

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PERMITTED MATERIALS

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TECH REQUIREMENTS

The AMC online powered by AoPS supports recent versions of mainstream web browsers (ex. Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari, and Microsoft Edge) and operating systems (ex. Windows, Mac OS, iOS, Chrome OS, and Android). The AMC online can be accessed on desktops, laptops, tablets, and phones with a supported browser and OS; however, desktops and laptops are recommended.

System Testing During the Practice Competition
We highly encourage all students try the practice competitions when it's released, confirming there are no issues taking the competition on their device, browser, and internet connection. If students have technical difficulties taking the practice or official competitions, please email info+contests@artofproblemsolving.com

STUDENT ACCOMMODATIONS

Competition Managers must make arrangements consistent with the participant’s accommodation plan.

Please submit the accommodations form on maa.org/amc after registration to secure online timing accommodations.

The deadline to submit is January 11, 2022.

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- A teacher or a school administrator reading the questions aloud and mark the answers as directed by the participant

Translations, Braille, and Large Print
The French and Spanish translations, Braille and Large Print can only be ordered and administered in print.
CHEATING

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Disqualifications by Competition Manager
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Teaching Tip!
Starting January 25, 2022 set aside post-competition class time to discuss problems and solutions.

CMs can preview the student competition day experience by completing the AMC Practice Competitions, once the practice competitions are released.

Starting December 21, CMs can access the released practice competition by logging into their Competition Manager Portal and scrolling to the appropriate competition. CMs can click the link under "Interested in seeing what participants will experience on competition day". After CMs complete the Practice Contest, the link will show their results.

Your participants' practice competition results will be available within your Competition Manager Portal.

Note: The MAA AMC Office will send the official AMC 8 results to CMs by email once scoring is completed. See page 5 for more info.
Pricing for online will remain at $2.50 per participant, packaged in bundles of 10. Each bundle consists of 10 student registrations for online administration.

Discounted pricing is applied to orders in the online format and/or paying with credit card. All payments are processed on the MAA AMC Registration website: amc-reg.maa.org. There are no other required registration fees on any other website.

The AMC CANNOT provide refunds or credits once competition materials are ordered.

Results and Resources for Competition Managers:
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Retain the digital score report for future reference
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REGISTRATION FOR THE AMC ONLINE

COMPETITION MANAGERS

VISIT THE MAA AMC REGISTRATION WEBSITE:
amc-reg.maa.org

CLICK “REGISTER” NEXT TO A COMPETITION NAME TO BEGIN
- Select online administration
Only one type of administration (online or print) is allowed per competition.
- Continue selections to complete the registration form and payment

AFTER AMC REGISTRATION, CMS WILL RECEIVE AN AMC ONLINE REGISTRATION EMAIL TO SETUP THEIR CM PORTALS ON AOPS
- Send students the student registration link(s) found in the online CM Portal

View the CM Registration Guide

INFO FOR STUDENTS

After registering for the competition, your Competition Manager will send you an invite link to access the online AMC platform.

Click the link in your CMs invitation email to begin registration.
Participants will need an AoPS account to register for the contest. Participants may use an existing AoPS account or create a restricted AoPS account.

View the Student Registration Guide

Login to your Student Portal on Competition Day
Click start competition at the top of your portal to begin. See you on competition day!

TRY THE PRACTICE COMPETITION

The AMC Online Registration and the practice competition will open before the official competition to familiarize participants with the AMC Online software and test device compatibility.

To prevent device troubleshooting on competition day, please complete the practice competition before the official competition day.
HOW TO HOST THE AMC ONLINE

IMPORTANT INFO FOR COMPETITION DAY

Accept your Competition Manager Portal invitation link and confirm you can access your Competition Manager Portal.

Determine the time your participants will begin the competition, and communicate this information to students.

You do not need to specify this day or time on the Platform. If hosting the competition remotely, please select a video conferencing software, such as Zoom or Google Hangouts, and provide participants with a link in advance.

In your Competition Manager Portal, confirm all registered students appear in your portal for the competition(s).

Important for the 2021-2022 cycle:
Only competition managers are permitted to proctor.
Students will be proctored by their competition manager, either in-person or remotely, at the discretion of their CM (see page 8).

DURING THE COMPETITION

Instruct students to sign into their Student Portal.

For remote administration: Start video conferencing with participants at least 30 minutes ahead of time and instruct them to sign into their Student Portal.

Begin proctoring as participants sign into the competition site.

Continually monitor students throughout the competition as they complete a series of steps:
- Pre-Competition Rules and Regulations
- The Competition Problems with countdown timer
- Post-Competition Integrity and Proctor Confirmation
- Final Submission

After final submission, remind students not to discuss problems until Jan 25 at 8 am ET. This step concludes proctoring.

For Competition Manager Proctors:
In your Competition Manager Portal, the Official Status column will keep track of your participants' competition progress. Please occasionally refresh your page to update the column. Also, a PDF of the competition problems will be linked at the top.

AFTER THE COMPETITION

Please monitor your email for competition updates and the AMC Toolkit which provides scores and awarding information.

The MAA AMC will share official results with Competition Managers by email once scoring is completed (within 30 days of the competition).

Congratulations on hosting a successful 2022 AMC 8!
Eligibility:
The AMC proctor must be the student(s)’ competition manager. Please note: all students must be proctored by their CM either in-person or remotely; parent or guardian proctoring is not allowed.

Allowed Materials and Aids:
During the competition, participants are only allowed to use:
- Writing utensils
- Blank scratch paper
- Rulers
- Erasers
- A computer with one browser tab open, displaying the loaded AMC

Prohibited materials include any additional electronic devices (ex. smartwatches, phones, computing devices), calculators, protractors, compass and graph paper. No problems on the competition require the use of a calculator.

The CM proctor must not answer any questions about the test and should ensure that no participant has the opportunity to communicate by any means to any other person while the contest is in progress. Participants should be continuously monitored by the CM proctor.

Working Time:
The participant had no more than 40 minutes of working time. (See AMC Policy on Students with Accommodation Plans).

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2021-2022 AMC 8
THE OFFICIAL TEACHER'S MANUAL (PRINT)

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ANSWER SHEETS

Only use 2021-2022 Scantrons:
Prior years' or photocopied Scantrons will not be accepted.

- Photocopied answer sheets are not allowed and will not be scored

Order an adequate amount of answer sheets to cover all students

If you need additional competitions and answer sheets:
Download the Additional Bundles Form on the AMC 8 tab on maa.org/amc and return to amcinfo@maa.org.

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Braille and large print competition booklets must be ordered by December 10, 2021 for institutions located in the US and Canada. See Important Dates and Information guide for more details.
Early administration is **NEVER** permitted and will result in **DISQUALIFICATION** of all scores from your institution.

Early administration jeopardizes the validity of all scores from other institutions.

If school is canceled on the day that the AMC 8 was scheduled, the competition manager can administer the AMC 8 on a different day as long as it falls within the AMC 8 competition period, January 18-24.

The AMC 8 cannot be administered after the final day of the competition period.

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Return competition materials by trackable method before January 31, 2022 at 11:59pm ET.

MAA AMC office must receive answer sheets and forms by this date. See Important Deadlines and Information guide for more details.

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REFUND AND CREDIT POLICY
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Please use extra booklets as competition practice for next year’s AMC or as supplemental classroom materials.

Do not return competition materials.

POLICY FOR CHANGES
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FOR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, CONTACT CUSTOMER SERVICE: 800-527-3690 OR AMCINFO@MAA.ORG
A QUICK GUIDE TO HOSTING THE AMC 8

BEFORE COMPETITION

1. Verify your competition materials immediately
   Check the number of answer sheets matches and booklets. Do not open the shrink-wrapped booklets.

   Packaged Materials Include:
   - Answer Sheets (Scantrons)
   - Return Envelopes
   - Competition Bundles
   - Certification Form
   - School ID Form

2. Reserve a quiet room to host the AMC for at least 70 minutes
   Allow time for pre- and post-competition activities.

3. Ask participants to fill the following answer sheet fields:
   name, age, grade, gender, and section letter (if applicable)

DURING COMPETITION

1. Open the bundles, distribute AMC 8 exam booklets and pre-filled answer sheets.
   Instruct participants to read the front cover of the competition booklet and do not open the booklet until instructed.

   Remind students to only mark answer sheets with final answers; stray or erased marks are unreadable.

2. Set the timer for 40 minutes and start the competition!

3. After 40 minutes, direct students to STOP working.
   Ask students to sign their name at the bottom of the answer sheet.

4. Collect the answer sheets and competition booklets immediately.
   Booklets may be returned to participants after January 25, 2022.

AFTER COMPETITION

1. Check each answer sheet for complete and correct info
   Remove all paper clips, rubber bands, and note paper attached.

2. Complete School ID Form
   - CEEB (institution) code
   - Quantity of answer sheets returned
   - Competition administration date
   - Total school enrollment
   - Grade range

3. Complete Certification Form
   Please include all required signatures. On the back of the form, list any unofficial participants and participants with accommodations.
   For a replacement form, visit the AMC 8 tab on maa.org/amc.

4. Return Competition package by January 31, 2022:
   School ID Form, Certification Form and answer sheets.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Photocopied answer sheets and old Scantrons are prohibited.

- If there is an urgent need to use the bathroom, all materials should remain with the proctor. No other breaks are permitted.

- Participants should come prepared with lunch and/or snacks since there will be no lunch break during the competition.

- Competition and solutions may not be discussed with anyone outside of the room either orally or digitally before January 25, 2022.