

Summary of Ohio Regional and State Road-e-o course changes for 2012 (adopted by state committee on 12/7/2011)

- 1) Hands-on pretrip (state event only)
  - a. Time limit reduced to 8 minutes
  - b. Scored defects will be reduced to 5
  - c. Demerits will be scored for more than 3 boardings/deboardings
  - d. All buses will be either conventional or transit, and may be changed from year to year
  - e. Drivers will be called to this event by region.
- 2) General course changes
  - a. No total time for course, time will be scored on three individual events
  - b. Head lights must be on
  - c. All driving events worth 50 points except for student pu/do and wheel position event
  - d. Lower window of rear emergency door to be covered
  - e. State Committee may set a maximum time at the state event. If a maximum time limit is adopted at the state event, exceeding it will result in 50 demerits by the field judge.
- 3) Wheel position event (new)
  - a. Final event worth 25 points – all or none scoring
  - b. Must approach a 2 inch stripe on ground perpendicular to bus within a lane of cones
  - c. Must cover 2 inch stripe on ground with right front wheel
- 4) Turnaround event
  - a. Time limit for this event – 3 minutes from entry to parked position
  - b. Width remains at 11' state and regional
- 5) Offset street
  - a. This is a timed event -3 minutes from front bumper entry to rear bumper clearing
  - b. Offset can be to the right or the left as determined by committee (2012: right at regional, left at state)
- 6) Student loading / unloading
  - a. Will be scored entirely by the students and event judges
- 7) Railroad crossing
  - a. In addition to stopping between 15 & 20 feet, Scoring will be based on distance between the nearest portion of the bus and a target line 17 ½ feet from the rail
- 8) Forward stop line
  - a. Free zone from stop is 4" regional, 2" state
- 9) Reverse Serpentine
  - a. New event at regional roadeo (similar to last year state event)
  - b. Cylinders will be 35' apart at regional, 33' apart at state
- 10) Depth perception
  - a. New event at regional roadeo (similar to last year state event)
  - b. 6" free zone, demerits for greater distance between bus and obstacle increased
- 11) Curb line (new event, taken from National manual)
  - a. Driver must park their bus in a forward motion along a curb, without striking the curb. Stanchions will be set 3' away from the curb and 76' apart.
  - b. Momentary overhang on entry and departure is not penalized. Overhang once parked is penalized.
  - c. Demerits for backing
  - d. Distance from each bumper to curb will be measured - Scoring is to furthest distance – free zone is 12"
  - e. This is a timed event
- 12) Field judge
  - a. Added scoring for unnecessary delay on the course
  - b. Added scoring for operating bus without headlights activated
- 13) On-board judge, Right turn, and diminishing clearance are all eliminated for 2012.