

# Uganda National STEM & Robotics Championship 2025

This rule book sets out the categories, eligibility, scoring and conduct for the 2025 national championship. All participating teams and mentors are expected to read and follow it.

## 1. Eligibility

Open to primary, secondary and tertiary institutions across Uganda. A single school may enter multiple teams. Each team must have a registered mentor aged 18 or over.

## 2. Competition categories

Robot Skills Challenge, STEM Innovation Project, Robotics Explorer (primary), VEX IQ, VEX V5, AI & Innovation, Science Fair, Drones and Underwater Robotics. Teams enter by category and age band.

## 3. Team composition

Teams of 2–5 students plus one mentor. Students must compete within their registered age band. Substitutions after the registration deadline require organiser approval.

## 4. Scoring & judging

Each category is scored against a published rubric covering design, function, innovation, teamwork and presentation. Judges' decisions are final. Ties are broken by the design and engineering notebook.

## 5. Conduct

Respect, safety and fair play are required at all times. Plagiarism, unsafe builds or unsporting conduct lead to disqualification. The engineering notebook must reflect the team's own work.

## 6. Awards & progression

Winners earn national recognition, prizes and scholarships, and qualify for international competitions including VEX Worlds and the EnjoyAI Global Final.