

Research and Presentation Regulations (a.k.a. “the fine print” (Based on the Massachusetts Middle School Science Fair Manual)

Science Fair Projects May Not Involve:

- *Blood products, fresh tissue, teeth, or bodily fluids
- *Experimentation on animals of any type
- *Ingestion or inhalation of any substance by human subjects
- *Pathogenic agents
- *Recombinant DNA
- *Carcinogenic or mutagenic chemicals
- *Compressed gas of any kind
- *Controlled substances, prescription drugs, OTC drugs
- *Explosive chemicals
- *Hazardous substances or devices (including but not limited to: BB guns, paint ball guns, air cannons, potato cannons)
- *High voltage equipment
- *Toxic chemicals
- *Lasers (any strength)
- *Ionizing radiation, X-rays, nuclear energy
- *radioactive materials

In terms of science project work the student MUST:

- *Complete all necessary work and permission forms before, during and after project honestly
- *Document work in a dated format
- *Include a bibliography as part of their research
- *Cite the author of any original statements that are not their own
- *Give credit to anyone who assisted with any part of the project
- *Credit photographers, magazines, books, etc if displaying any photos or art which are not student work