



## KCACR Young Ringers' Inter-District Striking Competition: Rules

**1. PURPOSE:** The purpose of the competition is to encourage ringing between young ringers in membership with the KCACR.

**2. ELIGIBILITY:** All team members must be aged under 25 on the day of the Contest. No young ringer may ring in more than one team except if a team meets short due to illness or other circumstances, at which point a maximum of one ringer may be drafted in from another team.

**3. FORMAT:** Teams of 6 young ringers may ring **EITHER** 120 changes of a Doubles or Minor Method **OR** 160 rows (80 whole pulls) of Call Changes. Calls must be made at least every 6 whole pulls, and at least four bells must be moved.

A maximum of 20 whole pulls of rounds may be rung before the first call. The opening rounds, and any rows after the required 160 are completed, will not be judged. If the test piece is short, further faults will be incurred.

**4. STARTING SIGNAL:** The signal for the start of the test piece shall be two whole pulls on the treble and second (i.e. 1212, 1212).

### **5. GENERAL**

Where a complete team of 6 young ringers from a District is unavailable, an amalgamated team entry may be accepted at the discretion of the organisers. All teams shall be bound by the rules of the Contest.

Each team will be allocated a time slot in the tower during which they may adjust ropes, ring their whole piece for practice, give the starting signal and then ring their test piece. Any team failing to complete their test piece within 15 minutes of starting their practice may incur additional faults.

Teams may choose to have a conductor (of any age) call their piece from outside the circle, if desired. Other non-contestants shall not be allowed in the tower except with the express permission of the Contest organisers. There shall be no coaching of teams in the tower by other non-contestants.

The KCACR Young Ringers' Trophy remains the property of The Kent County Association of Change Ringers. The Trophy will be awarded annually at the discretion of the Youth Officer after the Judges have advised him/her of their results.

The Judges' decision is final.