



National Seerah Competition 2027



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Rules Preparation Event Day Guidance

COMPETITION DATE

To be announced on the official Habib Ul Quraan website and social channels

VENUE

To be announced on the official Habib Ul Quraan website and social channels

ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION TIME

To be confirmed with the final event details

Please read this pack fully before the competition and keep the final event announcement with it.

Purpose and category overview

This pack explains the rules that apply to contestants in the National Seerah Competition 2027. An entry remains subject to review and is not confirmed until the organising team issues confirmation. Final date, venue, arrival time and any approved source editions will be announced separately through official Habib Ul Quraan channels.

Categories

Category	Ages	Format	Syllabus and eligibility
A	16-25	Ahadith	Darul Uloom students currently studying in an Alim class, part-time or full-time only. Riyadh us-Saliheen, first 50 Ahadith: Arabic ibarat and meaning.
B	16-20	Ahadith	Zad ut-Talibeen, first 50 Ahadith with meaning.
C	11-15	Ahadith and Duas	40 Ahadith with meaning and 30 Masnoon Duas.
D	7-10	Ahadith and Duas	40 Ahadith with meaning and 20 Masnoon Duas.
E	16-20	Speech	Maximum speaking time: 10 minutes.
F	11-15	Speech	Maximum speaking time: 7 minutes.
G	7-10	Speech	Maximum speaking time: 7 minutes.
Jannati	16+	Questions and answers	Who Wants to Be a Jannati? Ten questions.

Which rules take priority

This pack applies to every contestant. Category-specific instructions issued later by the organising team also apply. Where a later official instruction expressly replaces part of this pack, the later instruction takes priority.

Entry and eligibility rules

Contestants and, where applicable, parents or guardians are responsible for making sure the entry is complete, accurate and suitable for the selected category.

1. Enter the contestant using their full name and current age. The organising team may ask for evidence of age or identity where needed to confirm eligibility.
2. Choose a category that matches the contestant's age. Age eligibility will be checked against the competition date once that date is announced.
3. Category A is restricted to contestants aged 16-25 who currently study in an Alim class at a Darul Uloom. Both part-time and full-time Alim students are eligible. The entry form must state which arrangement applies.
4. Provide the correct Maktab, home Madrasah, Darul Uloom or other study-place details. Home Madrasah entrants should name the family or teacher responsible for their study.
5. An entry is pending until the organising team confirms it. Submission of the form does not itself guarantee a place.
6. Information supplied must be accurate. A materially false eligibility declaration may lead to refusal or withdrawal of the entry.
7. A parent or guardian must complete the required consent and contact details for any contestant under 18.
8. Any access, medical, allergy or dietary information relevant to safe participation should be provided as early as possible. The organisers will handle it privately and use it only for event management.

Preparation responsibilities

- Prepare only from the syllabus assigned to the selected category.
- Use the source text and edition confirmed by the organising team. Do not assume that a different printing, numbering system or translation will be accepted.
- Read every later event notice. Contestants are responsible for checking official updates about the date, venue, registration time and permitted materials.
- Tell the organisers promptly if the contestant can no longer attend or if submitted details change.

Competition conduct rules

Every contestant is expected to show Islamic adab and help maintain a calm, fair and respectful competition environment.

1. Follow the directions of organisers, judges, stewards and safeguarding staff throughout the event.
2. Treat fellow contestants, families, volunteers and judges with respect. Abusive, threatening, mocking or disruptive behaviour is not acceptable.
3. Remain in the assigned waiting, preparation or competition area unless a steward gives permission to move.
4. Do not seek or accept coaching, answers, signals or prompts once the contestant has been called for their turn.
5. Mobile phones, smart watches, earpieces and other electronic devices must be switched off and stored away during the contestant's turn unless the organisers have expressly approved a device as a reasonable adjustment.
6. Notes, books or printed material may be used only when the category instructions expressly allow them.
7. Do not photograph, record or livestream another contestant without permission from the organisers and the people concerned.
8. Any attempt to cheat, interfere with judging, obtain restricted questions or disrupt another contestant may lead to removal from the category.
9. Parents, guardians and supporters must not approach judges during judging. Questions should be taken to the event desk or nominated organiser.
10. The organisers may pause, move or end a session where this is necessary for safety, safeguarding, prayer, technical reasons or fair competition.

Dress and presentation

Contestants should attend in clean, modest and appropriate clothing suitable for a formal Islamic educational event. Clothing, props or presentation material must not display offensive, party-political or commercial campaigning content.

Category rules

The following rules apply in addition to the syllabus shown in the category overview. Final running order and detailed judging criteria will be confirmed by the organising team.

Ahadith and Masnoon Duas

- Contestants must prepare the full stated syllabus for their category. They should not assume they will be examined only on selected items.
- Where Arabic ibarat is required, contestants should prepare accurate recitation from the approved text. Where meaning is required, contestants should give the meaning expected from the approved competition material.
- Judges may ask the contestant to begin from, continue from or identify a point within the stated syllabus.
- Prompts, omissions, additions, changes, pronunciation, fluency, meaning and presentation may be considered in marking according to the final judging criteria.
- A judge may stop an answer once enough evidence has been heard or when the allotted category time has ended.

Speech categories

- Category E has a maximum time of 10 minutes. Categories F and G have a maximum time of 7 minutes.
- The speech must be the contestant's own prepared presentation and must follow the topic or subject instructions issued by the organisers.
- The content must be respectful, suitable for the contestant's age and appropriate for a Seerah competition.
- A contestant must stop when instructed by the timekeeper or chair. Exceeding the maximum time may affect the result under the final judging criteria.
- Any quotation, narration or factual claim should be prepared carefully from reliable sources. Judges may refer a factual concern for scholarly review before a result is confirmed.

Who Wants to Be a Jannati

- This category is for contestants aged 16 and over and consists of ten questions.
- The presenter or operator will explain the answer procedure and any available assistance before play begins.
- Only the contestant may give the final answer. Once an answer is accepted as final, it cannot be replaced unless the judging team determines that a procedural error occurred.
- Questions, answer choices and decisions must not be shared with contestants who are still waiting to compete.

Study topics

1. Arabia Before Islam, Noble Lineage and Blessed Birth
2. Childhood, Youth, Marriage and Household
3. The First Revelation and the Earliest Believers
4. Public Da'wah and the Acceptance of Islam by the Sahabah
5. Persecution, Sacrifice and the Migration to Abyssinia
6. The Boycott, the Year of Sorrow, Ta'if and Isra and Mi'raj
7. Aqabah, the Hijrah and the Founding of Madinah
8. Badr, Uhud and Khandaq
9. Hudaibiyyah, Khaybar, Mu'tah, Letters and Delegations
10. The Conquest of Makkah, the Later Years, the Farewell Hajj and the Final Days

Judging results and queries

The judging team will apply the approved criteria for each category. Contestants and supporters must allow judges to complete checks before a result is announced.

1. Results remain provisional until the organising team announces or publishes them as confirmed.
2. Judges may consult one another, review timing or refer a religious or factual issue to the appropriate scholarly lead before confirming a decision.
3. A tie may be decided using the category's approved tie-break criteria or a recorded panel decision.
4. A concern about procedure or marking must be raised calmly through the event desk by the contestant, parent, guardian or nominated representative. Do not confront a judge or interrupt another contestant.
5. Any review request must identify the category, contestant, decision being questioned, clear reason and any supporting source. It must be made within the period announced by the organisers.
6. The outcome of an authorised review is final. Public argument, social-media pressure or abusive contact will not change a result and may be treated as a conduct matter.

Media privacy and safeguarding

- The registration form allows media consent to be given or withheld. Withholding consent does not affect eligibility, but contestants and guardians must follow the event team's instructions for camera-free areas.
- Personal, medical and contact details are private and will be used by authorised organisers to manage the entry and event.
- Any safeguarding concern should be reported immediately to a steward or the designated safeguarding lead. Do not investigate or circulate the concern yourself.
- Children and young people must follow the collection, supervision and access arrangements issued with the final event details.

Event day checklist

Use this checklist once the final event announcement has been published. The announcement will contain the date, venue, arrival time and any category-specific materials.

- ☐ Entry confirmation and contestant reference
- ☐ Final date, venue and arrival instructions
- ☐ Approved syllabus, source text and edition
- ☐ Any permitted speech notes or category materials
- ☐ Suitable clothing and any essential personal items
- ☐ Required medication clearly labelled and already declared to the organisers
- ☐ Parent or guardian collection arrangements where applicable
- ☐ Organiser contact details saved in case of delay or emergency

Final reminder

The date, venue, arrival time, approved source editions, running order and organiser contact details will be released through the official Habib Ul Quraan website and social channels. Contestants should rely only on those official announcements and direct messages from the organising team.

By attending, the contestant and their parent or guardian agree to follow this pack, the category instructions and reasonable directions given by the event team.

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