Fletcher Moot 2027 Competition: Timeline

Entry and written submission phase

Invitations to compete & registrations open: By 1 September 2026

Problem released: By Monday 1 September 2026, 4pm GMT

Deadline for requests for clarifications: Monday 28 September 2026, 4pm GMT

Clarifications released: By Monday 12 October 2026, 4pm GMT

Registrations close: Tuesday 20 October 2026, 4pm GMT

Written submissions due: Monday 2 November 2026, 4pm GMT

Thanksgiving 26 November 2026

Finalists announced: By Tuesday 8 December 2026, 4pm GMT

Oral rounds

Deadline for qualifying teams to register for the oral rounds: Tuesday 22 December 2026

Deadline for submission of outline arguments (petitioner): Friday 15 January 2027, 4pm GMT

Deadline for submission of outline arguments (respondent): Friday 29 January 2027, 4pm GMT

VIRTUAL PRELIMINARY & QUARTERFINAL ORAL ROUNDS: Between Monday 15 February 2027 and Friday 19 February 2027

IN-PERSON ORAL SEMI-FINALS & FINALS: Friday 7 May 2027, in Sydney, Australia

Finalists will be advised of the full schedule for the virtual moots in January 2027. There will be up to 16 oral teams. Each team will have the opportunity to argue twice, once as petitioner and once as respondent in a preliminary round.

The eight highest-ranking teams after the preliminary round will advance to the quarter-finals, the winners of the quarter-finals will advance to the semi-finals, and the winners of the semi-finals will contest the grand final.

The Preliminary rounds and Quarter Finals will be held virtually in February 2026 via Microsoft Teams Meeting.

The Semi-Finals & Finals will be held IN-PERSON in Sydney, Australia on Friday 7 May 2027.

As this is an international competition, virtual moots will need to be scheduled across time zones at times convenient to the judges, teams should please note that they may be required to compete at unsocial hours.

All timings are subject to change. Any changes will be notified to registered teams by email.