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TEAM UPDATE #6

GENERAL NOTICES

General Notes from *FIRST* Headquarters:

Coefficient of Friction tests on Crater surface:

Several teams have discovered that their measurement of the coefficient of friction for the Rover Wheels against the Regolith yields different results from those published in the Manual. The published information is provided as an approximation for expected conditions. Your test conditions may be slightly different (i.e. new wheels vs. wheels with wear, etc), thus resulting in differing results. We encourage teams to perform their own tests and to trust their own data.

FRC Q&A Forum:

Several of the questions posted in the Q&A Forum seem to have been attempts at a specific design review by the GDC, rather than specific questions or concerns about rules, technical queries, etc. We would like to emphasize that the forum is in place for inquiries appropriate for each section of the Competition Manual, such as "The Game," "The Robot," etc. The Q&A Forum is not an appropriate venue to flush out particular designs and ideas or try to get a design "pre-inspected". Please be sure to restrict your questions to Competition Manual topics, parts questions, and rules clarification. We appreciate your attention on this matter, and if you require more clarification, please refer to **1.6.1** of the Section 1 – Communication.

Section 0 - Introduction

No changes.

Section 1 - Communication

No changes.

Section 2 – Team Organization

No changes.

Section 3 – At the Events

No changes.

Section 4 – Robot Transportation

No changes.

Section 5 – The Awards

No changes.

Section 6 – The Arena

No changes.

Section 7 – The Game

No changes.

Section 8 – The Robot

No changes.

Section 9 – The Tournament

No changes.

Section 10 – The Kit of Parts

No changes.

Helpful Links: