# REGULATIONS On the Organization and Conduct of the Abu Rayhan Beruni International Chemistry Olympiad

### **Chapter 1. General Provisions**

1. These Regulations determine the procedures for organizing and conducting the 2nd Abu Rayhan Biruni International Chemistry Olympiad (hereinafter referred to as the "International Olympiad"), which is held among secondary school students regardless of the type of educational institution.

2. The International Olympiad may be held in various regions of Uzbekistan and other countries.

3. The International Olympiad will have its own official website.

# Chapter 2. Purpose and Objectives of the International Olympiad

4. The purpose of the International Olympiad is:

to widely promote the significant contributions of our great ancestors to the development of world civilization at the international level;

to create an environment of friendly competition between talented students from different countries, helping them develop the skills necessary for successful participation in international Olympiads;

to provide students with the opportunity to showcase their talents and creativity on an international stage;

to increase students' interest in studying natural sciences in depth.

5. The objectives of the International Olympiad are:

to ensure that natural sciences are taught in educational institutions at a modern and high-quality level;

to identify gifted and talented students in chemistry and establish a system of incentives for them;

to support talented students in demonstrating their knowledge in chemistry on an international platform;

to enhance the pedagogical skills of chemistry teachers and provide them with opportunities to adopt international best practices;

to further strengthen the promotion of the achievements of talented students in the International Olympiad among their peers worldwide.

### Chapter 3. Organization and Conduct of the International Olympiad

6. A Republican Organizing Committee will be established to organize and conduct the International Olympiad, and it will be approved by the Ministry of Preschool and School Education of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The organization and coordination of the Olympiad will be managed by the Ministry of Preschool and School Education of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

7. The International Olympiad is held among students up to the age of 18 who are studying in general secondary schools. Team members must register online to participate in the International Olympiad. Registration will close 30 days before the start of the Olympiad.

8. The International Olympiad consists of two rounds:

Round 1: A practical examination in which participants perform a laboratory experiment. This round is graded on a maximum of 30 points and has a time limit of 1.5 hours (90 minutes).

Round 2: A written examination consisting of 8 tasks, each worth a maximum of 10 points, totaling 80 points. Participants have 4 hours (240 minutes) to complete this round.

The maximum total score for both rounds is 110 points.

9. Participants and team leaders:

Each participating country may have a team consisting of 4 participants and 1 team leader.

Additional participants and additional team leaders from a single country are allowed to join the International Olympiad.

10. Based on the final results of the International Olympiad, winners will be determined. The number of winners will not exceed 60% of all participants. The winners will be awarded gold, silver, and bronze medals, as well as the corresponding diplomas. The distribution ratio of medals will be 1:2:3.

11. The team leaders will defend their participants' work during the evaluation process. The works of participants will be graded by the jury.

12. The Organizing Committee ensures a unified scientific-methodological approach to preparing and conducting the International Olympiad, forms and approves the jury, prepares Olympiad tasks in Uzbek and English, ensures their confidentiality, organizes translation into other languages by the respective team leaders, and establishes evaluation criteria and procedures for final results. 13. The jury ensures that the Olympiad tasks correspond to the content and difficulty level of international Olympiad standards.

14. The jury evaluates the tasks based on approved assessment criteria and the principle of fairness.

15. The use of tablets, mobile phones, or other electronic devices during the Olympiad is strictly prohibited. Violations will result in disqualification of the participant by the jury's decision. A formal report will be prepared and signed by the chairperson and members of the jury.

## **Chapter 4. The Jury**

16. To ensure fairness, impartiality, and transparency in determining the winners of the International Olympiad, a jury of up to 10 experienced international and local experts will be formed and approved by the Organizing Committee.

The jury members will elect a chairperson among themselves.

17. The jury will perform the following functions:

Evaluate participants' work based on approved assessment criteria in consultation with team leaders;

Prepare and formalize official decisions regarding the final results of the Olympiad;

Announce the results of the Olympiad in the presence of participants and team leaders;

Submit a detailed report on the results of the Olympiad to the Organizing Committee, along with all necessary documents.

#### **Chapter 5. Examination Supervisors**

18. Examination supervisors will:

Familiarize the jury members with the Olympiad documents relevant to their subject; Identify participants who do not comply with the established rules and procedures of the Olympiad, document violations in an official report, and submit it to the Organizing Committee.

#### Chapter 6. Awarding the Winners of the International Olympiad

19. The winners and prizewinners of the International Olympiad will be awarded gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas, and commemorative gifts by the Organizing Committee.

# **Chapter 7. Final Provisions**

20. Disputes arising from the application of these Regulations will be resolved in accordance with applicable legislation.

21. Individuals responsible for violating the requirements of these Regulations will be held accountable in accordance with applicable laws.