



**M3 CHALLENGE CHECKLIST(continued):**

TO DO	DETAILS
<b>Preparing for the Challenge (continued)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Review Scholarship Awards</b>	Review Scholarships and Recognition to learn about team awards. If your team plans to include code (optional) using MATLAB, you may be eligible for additional MATLAB Technical Computing Awards.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Request Free Software</b>	MathWorks offers free technical computing software to participating teams. For information on all available options, see Access Software.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Practice!</b>	Work through sample problems; make sure you can apply things you've learned or utilize programs you plan to use ahead of time so you can be successful on Challenge weekend.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Attend Webinars</b>	Attend one of our free webinars to learn how M3 Challenge works, how you can leverage MATLAB in the Challenge, or how math modeling experts would solve practice problems.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Plan Ahead</b>	Unfortunately, M3 Challenge is not able to make accommodations for events such as internet or power outages during registration or at any time during Challenge weekend. Have a back-up plan/location in mind just in case.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Plan for Challenge Weekend</b>	When will your team begin its 14 hours of work? Where will you work? What will you eat? How are you organizing your team's tasks? Do you have your login credentials?
<b>Challenge Weekend</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rise to the Challenge</b>	Download the problem and read it carefully several times. Then make assumptions, define variables, build a solution, analyze and assess it, and write your solution paper and executive summary. SUBMIT!
<b>After Challenge Weekend</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Coaches Certify Authenticity of Work</b>	After Challenge weekend, coaches must login and certify the authenticity of their students' work. Coaches of teams in public schools in the U.S. will also be asked whether their school is Title 1 eligible, determining whether their team is eligible for SPARK Awards.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Await Judging Decisions</b>	Teams will be notified as judging is completed, typically within six weeks of Challenge weekend. Check the Important Dates page.
<b>Final Event</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Qualified Teams Present Their Papers at Final Event</b>	M3 Finalist teams and MATLAB Technical Computing awardees will be identified and invited to New York City to present their papers, answer questions about their models, and receive awards. Travel, accommodation, and meals are provided and paid by M3 Challenge. Those teams are guaranteed to win one of the scholarship prizes available.