



U.S. Open Robotics Championship Mega Alliance Challenge Rules

The Mega Alliance Challenge is a fun activity open to all VRC and Open teams participating in the CREATE U.S. Open Robotics Championship. There is no fee to participate. There is no need to sign up in advance. It is designed to get teams from different areas to have fun together and to get to know each other. It is FREE. It is optional, but we hope all teams participate. Here is how it works:

Who

1. Any VRC or Open team.(Including University teams)
2. Must be willing to reset the “field”.

Self Forming Alliances

1. Three (3) and only three (3) teams make up a Mega Alliance.
2. There are a number of restrictions on who you can align with and those will not be revealed until you register on the 6th. So don't try to start forming your Mega Alliance quite yet, because you will most likely have to start over!

Get to Know Your Alliance:

1. Bonus points will be given to alliances that have filled out an alliance questionnaire. How complete the questionnaire is and how much you know about your Mega Alliance partners will count toward your final challenge score.

Hexed

1. A large hexagonal challenge area will be set up on the main arena opposite the main stage.
2. The object is to score as many stars and bags (hopefully all) in sixty (60) seconds as possible.
3. No advance information about the challenge area will be given. First available review of the “field” will be in person at 6:30ish on the main arena floor.

Scoring

1. Number of objects scored, plus bonus points, plus number of seconds remaining (if all objects are scored in less than 60 seconds) will comprise your Mega Alliance score. (Oh, there is also a special bonus score. But you'll find out about that later.)

How

1. Form your Mega Alliance early.
2. Fill out the Mega Alliance questionnaire.
3. Bring your Mega Alliance (all three teams) with filled out questionnaires to the tables marked Mega Alliance. Your filled out questionnaires are your ticket to admission to the challenge area.
4. Your alliance will be quizzed at the Mega Alliance Challenge queuing table. Your answers and the completeness of your questionnaire will comprise the first component of your challenge score.
5. You will then take your turn in the challenge area. (You will be asked to reset the field and must be able and willing to do so in order to participate in the Mega Alliance Challenge.)

Awards – What Do We Win?

1. Most importantly you win the chance to get to know some new people. We hope all teams take full advantage of this. The most important prize would be to make new friends!
2. Oh, and yes there are some small trophies for Champions and Finalists

Advice For a Successful Challenge

1. HAVE FUN!