# COE Top Gun Rules, Regulations and Procedures

Overview:

COE’s Top Gun competition is intended to identify outstanding individuals within the member base who can illustrate superior 3DEXPERIENCE 2022x CATIA skills. The competition is intended to provide participants a broad cross section of tasks centered on a few of the most commonly used workbenches available within CATIA. The competition is open to all COE members in good standing who are present at the COE event. Knowledge of specialized CATIA workbenches is not required to participate in the competition allowing for a fair competition, accessible to as many COE attendees as possible. Your name and score will not be published in any venue publicly, unless you are one of the few winners or honorable mentions.

Competition:

Participants must register at the Top Gun competition area during the COE annual conference prior to participating in the competition, as there are limited opportunities to compete. This should be done as soon as possible to ensure that the attendee is not only able to participate, but that participation is done during a time that is preferable for the participant. Generally, 4-6 workstations should be available through the annual conference during specified times. Top Gun sessions will cease to be offered at a certain time prior to the closing ceremonies of COE, so that the competition can be scored.

Participants should arrive a few minutes before their scheduled time to compete in Top Gun. The administrators of the competition will present each of the participants with a packet of information that will outline the rules and expectations of the competition.

When the administrators start the competition, participants will have a maximum of 40-50 minutes to complete the task described in the participant package presented at the beginning of the competition. Generally, this packet will ask participants to create specific models from provided prints. While these general tasks may be similar year to year, the models will change.

Scoring:

Because of the short time-line between completion of the competition and the closing ceremonies, COE utilizes an industry standard software checking tool to automatically score the results of the competition. The tool is configured to check the accuracy of the resulting models against a master reference model that was developed for the competition. Various criteria are checked, including but not limited to: accuracy of mass, volume and center of gravities and most efficient modeling techniques (general best practices and fewest operations). The winner is determined by whoever scores the most “perfect” model in the shortest time.

Sponsor:

Top Gun is sponsored by Dassault Systemes. Dassault Systemes CATIA specialists design the test models, create and validate the tasks, set up and run the Top Gun event at COE and score the models.

There are sponsors of the workstations used during the competition. Multiple sponsors also generously donate the prizes.

Closing Ceremonies:

Participants should plan on attending the COE Closing Ceremony to discover if they placed as one of the Top Gun winners, or one of the honorable mentions. If for an uncontrolled circumstance you cannot be present, the prize will be mailed to you if possible. Fabulous prizes provided by the competition sponsors will be awarded to the top performers based upon their score as recorded by the checking tool and their time to complete the task.

COE TOP GUN COMPETITION ATTENDANCE POLICY

A Top Gun participant is required to be an active member in good standing with COE. The participant must also be a registered attendee of the Annual Conference in which they are participating.

Only corporate, academic, and individual members (users of Dassault Systèmes software) can win the Top Gun Competition. Corporate, academic, and individual members are categorized based on current COE membership. Vendor members, as categorized by COE membership, are NOT eligible to participate in the competition.