



FLL Challenge / FLL Explore 2024-25 Team Blast 010



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Welcome To Our New Teams!!!

Welcome to the 2024-25 FIRST Submerged Season. Please check our website for the events list, registration system, and other specific program information.

[FMA-FLL Team Blasts for 2024-25](#)

MUST READ: [Participation and Registration Document](#)

[Explore Team Info](#)

[Challenge Team Info](#)

[NJ-North Calendar](#)

[PA-East Calendar](#)

IMPORTANT Update!!!!!!

In preparation for the Downingtown scrimmage, it was discovered that if you set the field up as usual, the Coopertition mission (submersible) would not work correctly. After going back and forth with FIRST about this, it was decided a few hours ago that if we offset the tables by 3.75 inches, the missions would work fine. No other changes will need to be made.

We want to thank **Scott Featherman** from Downingtown Area Robotics for discovering the problem, proposing a simple solution, testing it, and insisting that the other solutions presented would not work for the teams.

Attention All Coaches at PA Events!!!! ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ← ←

All Coaches competing in official events (Championships, RQTs, and Festivals) in PA ***MUST HAVE*** a valid PA-Act 153 clearance. Please refer to the [FMA-FLL PA-Act 153 Compliance](#) document. We have been telling folks they need this. ***You will not be allowed with your team at an event if you do not have this clearance.***

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Get Your Team Rosters Ready

Being event-ready means that your team has 2 coaches who have completed the FIRST Youth Protection Program (YPP) process. I can report that many have done that, so thank you. I will send out your Team Status Reports update.

We need you to ensure your ***students are reported on your Team Rosters!*** Some Explore Festivals print certificates. We use the student's first name and last initial for these certificates. If we do not have them, how can we create them?

If you have any questions about this process, please refer to...

[Explore Team Info](#) or [Challenge Team Info](#)

Teams Required Documentation / FIRST Youth Registration System

If you have any 8-year-old students, you may be unable to add them to the FIRST system. If not, you must bring a paper release form for them. In the coming weeks. These are available under **Teams Required Documentation**.

Explore Teams can go to a second event!

Only a few teams took advantage of this!!! We have many slots available! In PA-East, we have about 30+ open spots, and in NJ-North, we have 20+ open spots. If this is your second event, you will get a second invoice with a 02 at the end of the invoice number instead of an 01. Please check your calendars to see what is open. The index has been updated to show open spots like this: **RQT: *FULL***, **Festival: 9 open**.

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Please Consider Volunteering at An Event This Season

We are always in need of more volunteers. You get to meet a great team of people who know FLL is terrific for kids. We need judges, too, at FLL Challenge Events. We prefer that each team have at least one person volunteer at an event that your team is not attending. Please look under [Volunteers Welcome!](#) on our FAM-FLL website.

VERY IMPORTANT !!!! - Check Your Team Information in the FIRST Database

For all the team Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Administrators, please verify the information in your team entries in the FIRST Dashboard (Mentor Registration) System. You need to make sure your emails and your phone numbers are correct. If any positions have changed, please update the database to reflect the changes.

We cannot change any of the data!

You can access the Team database by going to <https://firstinspires.org> and then logging in. If you need help making changes, please contact FIRST at **(603) 666-3906** or **(800) 871-8326** and ask for FIRST Lego League Team support.

Many thanks, let's see if we can all make this a great season.

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