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If you are not a Monument Member, you are not allowed to use Monument Member content. Your patronage allows us to increase our member benefits for all members. The following specifics apply:

1. Am I able to share member content with my debate partner? **Yes.** The only exception to a non-Monument Member using content is when a debate partner (e.g. policy debate) is a member, but the other is not. If you are the Monument Member of the pair, you will be responsible for printing, assembling and sharing (with only your partner).

Am I able to share my login with my debate partner? **NO.** Sharing your login with anyone, including your debate partner, is strictly prohibited and punishable by law.

2. Am I allowed to change the content of the member downloads? **Yes.** Modifying the Monument Member content to your liking is acceptable (and encouraged!). The copyright, however, does stay with Monument Publishing and does not automatically become yours to give away.

If I change the taglines in the evidence, may I claim the evidence as my own? **NO.** You may edit tags as you wish, but they are Monument Member content as it originated from your Monument Membership.

3. I'm a student. Am I able to pass member content to debate opponents at competitions? **Yes, with restrictions.** You must always retrieve the cases, briefs and evidence after a round, just as you would if you wrote the content yourself. Taking the actual pieces beyond the debate round is a violation of copyright, punishable by law.

Am I allowed to give Monument source material after I'm done competing? **NO.** Taking any source material beyond the member's debate round is a violation of copyright, punishable by law.

4. I'm a coach. May I use some content with my students? **Yes, with restrictions.** We sometimes release free cases and materials, which may be used.

May I use any content with my students? **NO.** All students using Monument Member content must be official members with their own logins.

5. Am I able to share content with my family members? **YES.** Monument Members allows family members to share a login as a household.

My family are members. Can I share the login with my debate partner who is not in my family? **NO.** If your debate partner does not own a membership, you will be responsible for printing, assembling and sharing (with only your partner).

6. Do I need to renew my membership every year? **YES & NO.** Monument Memberships last one full school year (expires in June), but upgrading to INFINITY means your membership never expires.

Is any content restricted with my membership? **NO.** We used to restrict content at different levels, but we did away with that model in 2021. Now all content is open to members.

7. Do you monitor the number of downloads in my account? **Yes.** Our download system logs the IP address of every download. If abused, an automatic restriction on the number of times you may download may take place.

Will I be prosecuted if I contact you to make it right? **NO.** We very much appreciate your desire to honor the copyright of Monument Publishing. Contact us to set yourself up as a Monument Member.

We very much appreciate your honest effort to respect the copyrights of Monument Publishing. Your patronage helps us increase our benefits for members in good standing.

Thank you!