Do I need SRC pre-approval before I can begin my project?
Note: some projects may be governed by the rules for more than one category

Is your project a continuation of last year’s project? (Continuation Project)

NO

Does your project involve … asking your friends or other people questions? Experiments on yourself? Experiments on other people in any way? (Human Subjects)*

YES

Does your project involve … your pet? Any other animals that have bones, except people? E-mail src@science-fair.org for immediate assistance with experimental design. (Vertebrate Animals)

YES

NO

Does your project involve … mold or other fungus?
• Bacteria? Virus? Or anything that might make you sick?
• Samples collected from the environment?
• DNA from one organism inserted into the DNA of another organism?
• Anything coming from a human or animal body? Cheek cells or other cells? Teeth? Bone? Fluids such as blood, saliva or urine? (Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents)

NO

YES

Does your project involve …
• Dangerous activities such as being on a roof? Or igniting objects? (Hazardous Activities)
• Any chemical such as household cleaning agents, solvents, metals or organic chemicals? (Chemicals)
• Model rockets? Lasers? UV light? Radiation? Guns or gun powder? Or anything else that might be considered dangerous or hazardous? (Hazardous Devices)
• Prescription drugs? Alcohol, wine or beer? Cigarettes or other tobacco? Gunpowder? Any product which the student may not legally purchase? (Regulated Substances)

NO

YES

NO

You do NOT need SRC pre-approval. Your application must be received on TBD, at the latest.

*Field of Study for Behavioral Science is discontinued.