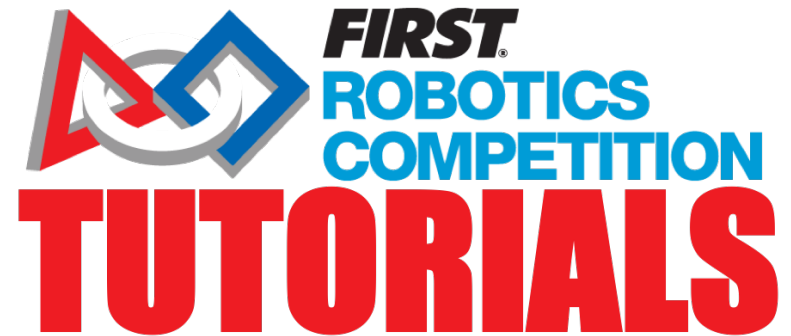


Season Timeline

TEAM 8027



Overview

	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Registration Opens	Red											
Pre-Season	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow				
Kickoff									Yellow			
Build Season									Green	Green		
Competition Season										Blue	Blue	
World Championships												Dark Blue

Pre-Season: May-December

- New Registration Opens: May
- Off-season events: May-November (e.g. <https://frc-events.firstinspires.org/2019/events/OffSeason>)
- First Event Registration: September
- Drive Base opt-out - September
- Kit and Kickoff Registration: October
- Second Event Registration: October
- Pre-qualified teams register for Worlds – October
- Event 1 payment Due: November
- FIRST Choice Round 1: November

What to do in the off-season

- For a rookie team or a team that just added new students, this is a perfect time to start learning:
 - Build a kit of parts chassis (borrow parts from an existing team if you are new)
 - Get it moving
 - Compete in an off-season event
- The off-season is also a great time to do outreach. Once the challenge is launched, finding time is difficult.
- While some teams are large and have a sub-set of students devoted to outreach, smaller teams need to get their outreach done in the off-season

Build Season: 6 weeks from Kickoff

- Kickoff: first Saturday in January
- Kit of Parts replacement (anything missing or damaged): January
- FIRST Choice Round 2: January
- 2nd Event payment Due: January
- Chairman's, Woodie Flowers, and Deans List awards due in February
- This time period can be incredibly stressful and busy for a team. Expect long hours. Teams expect students to spend 10 or more hours each week during this period.

Competition Season: February-March

- Week Zero: The nickname typically given for the week right after the 6 week build season. Some teams with a full field host a scrimmage for teams that week.
- Week One-Seven: Competitions are held all over the world

FIRST World Championships: April

- The season officially ends with the two World Championships in Houston and Detroit
- Teams that win Chairman's at either of the two venues get entered into a Hall of Fame (<https://www.thebluealliance.com/hall-of-fame>)

Useful links

- <https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc/calendar>

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