

**LONDON MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY
PRIZE REGULATIONS: De MORGAN MEDAL**

I. GENERAL

1. The De Morgan Memorial Medal award was instituted by the Society in memory of Professor A. De Morgan, its first President. Later Sir Joseph Larmor left a bequest to the Society, the income from which was to be used to augment the Medal Fund.
2. The award of the De Morgan Medal shall be considered triennially by the Council of the Society, in those years numbered by a multiple of three.
3. No person shall be eligible to receive the Medal more than once.
4. The Medal shall be awarded to a mathematician who is normally resident in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the 1st January of the year of the award.
5. The sole grounds for the award of the Medal shall be the candidate's contributions to mathematics.
6. Any amendment to these Regulations for the award of the Medal must be made at a regular meeting of Council at which the proposed amendment must receive the support of an absolute majority of those present at the meeting, whether voting or not, in order to take effect.

II. PROCEDURE FOR THE AWARD OF THE DE MORGAN MEDAL IN YEAR x

1. In October, year x , the Council of the Society shall appoint a Medal Committee consisting of from three to nine members of the Society, at least one of whom is not a member of its Council, and shall invite one of them to act as convenor; normally the Committee shall have at least one member on each other Prize Committee appointed, and any number of the Prize Committees may have identical memberships.
2. The award of the De Morgan Medal in any year shall take precedence over that of any other Prize.
3. The December year x *Newsletter* shall contain:
 - (a) an outline of the regulations and arrangements for the award of the Medal;
 - (b) an invitation to members of the Society to submit their views confidentially in writing to the President by a date in year x not later than 31st January.

4. The Committee may seek written opinions from other mathematicians on candidates and their work in and influence on and general service to mathematics.
5. The President and the members of the Medal Committee shall be ineligible for the award of the Medal in years of awards for which they serve.
6. The Committee shall normally present its unanimous written report to the the May meeting of the Council of the Society. This report shall consist of either:
 - (a) a recommendation that the Medal be not awarded that year or:
 - (b) a recommendation of one and only one name for consideration as medal-winner, accompanied by a detailed citation. If the Committee fails to reach a unanimous decision, the Medal shall not be awarded that year.
7. At the meeting of Council, there shall be a discussion of the report followed by a ballot which must be secret if any member of Council requests it. No award shall be made unless supported by an absolute majority of the members of Council present at the meeting, whether voting or not. The failure of Council to approve the recommendation of 6(b) shall be regarded as equivalent to a decision that the Medal be not awarded that year. At its discretion, the Council may, instead of a ballot, refer the matter back to the Committee for further consideration, and request a further written report to be presented to the June Council meeting, when a ballot shall be held as previously described.

In the event that the Medal has not been awarded by the October meeting of Council in any year, the Medal shall not be awarded that year.

8. The decision of the Council shall normally be announced to the June meeting of the Society, and in the next *Newsletter* after that.

III. AWARD

1. The medal-winner shall be awarded a Medal together with such a sum of money as shall have been determined by the Council of the Society.

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