

MODAL VERBS FOR RULES

Unit 2: Competitions

Modal Verbs

MUST/MUSN'T

CAN/CAN'T

HAVE TO/DON'T HAVE TO

There are two important differences between *must* and *can* and *regular verbs -s* in the simple present

1) There is no third person -s with modal verbs.

She must go. I can stay

2) There is no auxiliary do with modal verbs.

I must win. He can't play



Must and Have to

- When something is necessary and an obligation.
- Example:
- You *must* be home at eleven o'clock.
- You *have to* finish your homework tonight.

Can

- When something is allowed(permitted) according to the rules.
- Example:
- Yes, you *can* go to the movies on Friday.

Don't have to

- When something is not necessary (but allowed)
- Example:
- You *don't have to* compete.

Can't and Musn't

- When something is not allowed or permitted.
- Example:
- He *can't* play soccer tomorrow
- Passengers *mustn't* talk to the driver.