“The Race to Zero Footprint” Navaratri Guidelines

**Section I: Competition Format**

The 20221 “Race to Zero Footprint- Navaratri” Contest is open to all ages above 21.

Contestants must individually upload an original video recording of Golu(doll arrangements) in their home. Video recording will have to be less than 3-5 mins and should have been recorded this year. All entries must include your sustainability practice/slogan not more than 2-3 sentences.

Leaf2Go may request permission to publish, publicize, or otherwise duplicate any video entered in the contest, along with the speaker’s name, as a component of awards.

All entries must be submitted prior to **Oct 4th 2022, 12.00 Noon EST.**.

**Section II: Qualifications and Prerequisites**

The contest is open to adults above ages 21

Contestants are eligible for only one response to the topic of their choice.

**Section III: Sign up**

Please go to [www.leaf2gollc.com](http://www.leaf2gollc.com), go to the menu ‘Leaf2Sustain’, click on ‘Race to zero footprint’ and look for ‘2022 Navaratri Competitions’ or the one click link is <https://www.leaf2gollc.com/race-to-zero-footprint>

There should be a link to the form to register, fill your detailsand submit. Please give a gmail or hotmail email address. YouTube channel allows uploads of videos only from those types of addresses.

**Section IV: Formatting of Papers**

Once you register through the above form, Leaf2Go will give permissions to the YouTube Channel listed below. It will be at least 30 minutes before you can upload the video

Each entry must be submitted in video format, uploaded onto https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwwtC5RX-HlV95iT-Ct6qQQ in an unlisted manner, titled with title of the sustainability quote (e.g. “2022 Navaratri Leaf2Go competition”) must be submitted. No mention to the speaker's address or phone number is permitted. Recordings not submitted in the aforementioned format will be automatically disqualified from competition judging.

Any quotation or copyrighted materials used in video or sentences must be properly identified using an MLA-style bibliography in the video description. Plagiarism and unoriginal material will result in disqualification.

The video must be entirely delivered in English.

All recordings must be accompanied by an entry form.

**Section V: Judging Procedures**

Judging will be completed by a panel of qualified judges and representatives from local and national environmentally-pertinent organizations.

All participants will be given an arbitrary code with which they will be identified (rather than a name) in the process of judging until the final tabulation process.

Judges will not discuss or compare videos being judged.

Only judges can award points (on a scale of 1 to 10). Points will be cumulatively considered to determine the finalists. Penalty points will detract from this overall score.

**Section VI: Judging Criteria and Penalties**

The awarding of points is based upon the following criteria, with the following precedence:

1. Creativity
2. Material organization
3. Adherence to topic
4. Public speaking ability
5. Judges' Preference

5 points will be deducted for the following offences individually:

1. Failure to adhere to the 3-5 minute time limit and/or 2-3 sentences limit.
2. Failure to provide appropriate citations (per noticeable offence)

**Section VII: Prompts**

* 1. What sustainability steps did you take to create/organize your dolls?
	2. What steps can individuals take to reduce waste production?

**Section VIII: Scholarships and Awards**

First, second and third place winners in each category will win Gift baskets from Leaf2Go, LLC.