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Welcome

to The Cheerleading Worlds® 2024!

With your bid, you're not only one step closer to competing on the most prestigious floor among the most skilled athletes in All Star, but you're also part of a historic milestone as the USASF and IASF celebrate The Cheerleading World Championship's 20th anniversary! For many of you, this will be your first time competing at The Cheerleading Worlds, and for that, we congratulate you on being selected to represent your club on this grand stage. Your dedication and hard work have brought you here, and we know this will be a particularly proud moment in your cheer career.

As we gather once again in Orlando, where the weather is warm, the sun is bright and the excitement begins as soon as you arrive, we wish to express our gratitude for your continued support over the past two decades. It's thanks to passionate athletes like you, coaches and fans that The Cheerleading Worlds has thrived for 20 amazing years.

We hope you and your loved ones have a safe and healthy journey to Worlds, and as we come together to celebrate not only the incredible talent on display but also the enduring spirit of All Star cheerleading. We can't wait to see you in April, ready to make history at The Cheerleading Worlds 2024!

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Event details are subject to change based on final registrations for The Cheerleading Worlds.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024

- Teams register with Worlds staff at host hotels to receive Worlds credentials, lanyards and schedules.
- Teams on hotel packages check in with Walt Disney World® cast members.
- ICU World Cheerleading Championship opening ceremonies take place at ESPN Wide Worlds of Sports® Complex.
- Roster verification appointments held 9am-6pm.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

- Teams register with Worlds staff at host hotels to receive Worlds credentials, lanyards and schedules.
- Teams on hotel packages check in with Walt Disney World® cast members.
- ICU World Cheerleading Championship continues.
- Roster verification appointments held 9am-6pm.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

- Teams register with Worlds staff at host hotels to receive Worlds credentials, lanyards and schedules.
- Teams on hotel packages check in with Walt Disney World® cast members.
- ICU World Cheerleading Championship concludes.
- The Cheerleading Worlds at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex begins.
- The Dance Worlds at the Coronado Springs Resort & Convention Center begins.
- Roster verification appointments held 9am-6pm.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

- The Cheerleading Worlds at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex continues.
- The Dance Worlds at the Coronado Springs Resort & Convention Center continues.
- EA Gala held at Arena Northeast Pavilion, 6pm (invitation only).

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

- The Cheerleading Worlds at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex continues.
- The Dance Worlds at the Coronado Springs Resort & Convention Center continues.

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024

- The Cheerleading Worlds at the ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex concludes.
- The Dance Worlds at the Coronado Springs Resort & Convention Center concludes.
- Worlds Celebration Party at Disney's Animal Kingdom® theme park.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

- Teams depart.

NEW! All roster verification appointments will be held **April 24-26, 9am-6pm**. Appointments must be within this time frame to ensure all teams can take the floor. No roster verifications will be offered on Saturday. See page 13 for details.

DIVISION COMPETITION DAYS				
DIVISION	FRIDAY APRIL 26	SATURDAY APRIL 27	SUNDAY APRIL 28	MONDAY APRIL 29
SXS-6		semifinals	finals	
SS-6		semifinals	finals	
SM-6		semifinals	finals	
SL-6			semifinals	finals
SXSC-6			semifinals	finals
SSC-6		semifinals	finals	
SMC-6		semifinals	finals	
SLC-6			semifinals	finals
LSXS-6		semifinals	finals	
LSS-6		semifinals	finals	
LSXSC-6			semifinals	finals
LSSC-6		semifinals	finals	
U18-5		semifinals		finals
U18SC-5		semifinals		finals
IO-5		semifinals		finals
IOSC-5		semifinals		finals
IOLC-5		semifinals		finals
U18NT-6	prelims U.S. teams with at-large bids only	semifinals	finals	
U18CNT-6	prelims U.S. teams with at-large bids only	semifinals	finals	
IG-6			semifinals	finals
IGC-6			semifinals	finals
IO-6		semifinals	finals	
IOSC-6		semifinals	finals	
IOLC-6			semifinals	finals
IONT-6			semifinals	finals
IOCNT-6	prelims U.S. teams with at-large bids only	semifinals	finals	
IO-7			semifinals	finals
IOSC-7			semifinals	finals
IOLC-7			semifinals	finals
IONT-7		semifinals		finals
IOCNT-7		semifinals		finals
EA		exhibition		

Schedule is subject to change based on final registration.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

USASF teams at The Cheerleading Worlds:

- must represent a USASF member club;
- must be comprised of USASF athlete members;
- must be accompanied by an eligible USASF member coach (with required credentials to enter warm-up areas. See page 10.); and
- may not compete in the same division at The Cheerleading Worlds and also at a 2024 end-of-season, multi-brand event.

SCORING

Scores do not carry over from one round to the next. Worlds score sheets can be found at TheCheerleadingWorlds.net or IASFworlds.com.

PERFORMANCE ORDER

Performance orders for all divisions will be randomly selected and posted online at TheCheerleadingWorlds.net or IASFworlds.com in early to mid April 2024. Teams advancing to finals will perform in reverse-order of their performance rankings. Results will be announced following the conclusion of each division's competition round.

USASF, IASF DIVISION AWARDS

- Each team will receive a participation trophy.
- The top 10 teams in each division will receive trophies.
- Athletes on teams ranking first, second or third will receive gold, silver or bronze medallions.
- First-place teams in each division will receive a championship banner and each athlete who competed on the floor with that team will receive a Worlds champion ring.

IASF NATIONS CUP CHAMPIONSHIP

In addition to the USASF/IASF awarding the top 10 in each of the Open divisions, the IASF will rank each country's highest scoring team in each Open division final. Nations Cup trophies will be awarded to five top-ranking teams representing five different countries.

FREE ACTION MOMENTS PHOTOGRAPHY

Action Moments Photography will have up to three cameras on each Worlds stage capturing hundreds of action shots of your athletes during each performance. Coaches or club owners will receive photo links via email to share with athletes and parents.

COVERAGE, LIVE STREAMING

Results will be posted on TheCheerleadingWorlds.net and behind-the-scenes USASF coverage will be posted regularly throughout the weekend on the USASF Instagram page. Live streaming of performances will be available by subscription through FloCheer.com. Tune in for performances from every dance and cheer venue, special features, stories, interviews, results and more. Visit FloCheer.com to subscribe.

PRACTICE FLOOR RENTALS NOT OFFERED

USASF will not offer practice floor rentals at this event. With prelims beginning on Friday, April 26, the space traditionally used for practice floor rental will be needed for competition teams.

NOTE: IASF will provide complimentary 20-minute practice blocks for international teams. Watch for more information from IASF regarding scheduling.

SUBMITTING VIDEOS FOR LEGALITY REVIEW

For added confidence at Worlds, submit a skill video for legality review. A USASF official will assess each video privately, and results will be shared only with your club. The submission deadline is April 7, and results will be sent by April 17, 2024. Videos submitted after April 7 won't be reviewed.

NOTE: Video reviews aim to help identify potential penalties but won't guarantee a penalty-free performance at The Cheerleading Worlds. USASF legality officials will be available in the warm-up area for assistance if needed.

U.S.-based teams: Use the USASF Coach app that can be downloaded from your app store.

International teams: Email cheer.rules@iasfworlds.com.

USASF WORLDS DIVISIONS

USASF DIVISIONS 2024					
LEVEL	DIVISIONS	TARGET	BIRTH YEAR	FEMALES/MALES	NUMBER ON
6	Limited Senior XSmall (LSXS)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	no males	5-16 members
6	Senior XSmall (SXS)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	no males	5-16 members
6	Limited Senior Small (LSS)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	no males	17-22 members
6	Senior Small (SS)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	no males	17-22 members
6	Senior Medium (SM)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	no males	23-30 members
6	Senior Large (SL)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	no males	31-38 members
6	Limited Senior XSmall Coed (LXSC)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	1-2 males	5-16 members
6	Senior XSmall Coed (SXSC)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	1-2 males	5-16 members
6	Limited Senior Small Coed (LSSC)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	1-5 males	5-22 members
6	Senior Small Coed (SSC)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	1-5 males	5-22 members
6	Senior Medium Coed (SMC)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	1-8 males	5-30 members
6	Senior Large Coed (SLC)	14-19 yrs	6/1/2004-2010	1-19 males	5-38 members

NOTE: Adult athletes are required to have current background checks with green light determinations and athlete protection training. Adult athletes are those who are 18 years and older or will turn 18 before June 1, 2024. Exceptional Athletes are excluded from this requirement.

LIMITED DIVISION REVISIONS FOR THE 2023-24 SEASON

1. Limited Extra Small-6 and Limited Small-6 are now separate divisions.
2. Limited divisions will be offered at all USASF sanctioned competitions including The Cheerleading Worlds bid qualifiers.
3. Limited division teams are eligible to receive all bid types (AL, PP or P) at The Cheerleading Worlds bid qualifiers.
4. Clubs competing in Limited divisions will only be eligible to receive one bid (per club, not per location) to The Cheerleading Worlds. No other cheer team from the club will be eligible for a bid to The Cheerleading Worlds.

ROSTER VIOLATIONS

- It is important that rosters are true and accurate before submitting for a bid-giving event or The Cheerleading Worlds.
- Any team or club found to be in violation of roster guidelines at the bid-qualifying event is not eligible to receive a bid.
- If a bid has been awarded and the team is in violation of the rostering requirements, they will forfeit the awarded bid.
- If a team is found to have made an improper substitution/alternate assignment, or has an illegal team member/crossover, this team
 - will be disqualified;
 - may be subject to fines;
 - may be responsible for repaying the total of any funds received through a paid/partial-paid bid;
 - may be denied participation (with the gym's entire cheer club) in future events including The Cheerleading Worlds the following year;
 - may be subject to USASF membership revocation; and/or
 - may face other disciplinary measures as set forth by the USASF Disciplinary Committee.

DIVISION, TEAM SIZE REQUIREMENTS

A team that receives and accepts any type of Worlds bid must compete at Worlds in the same division they competed in at the qualifying event where their bid was awarded. The number of athletes competing on any team at Worlds may not exceed the number of athletes that took the floor with the team at the bid-qualifying event.

THE BID PROCESS

Event producers will publish the procedures they will follow for awarding bids prior to the start of their qualifying competition. An event producer may not award more than one bid and/or type of bid to the same team.

PAID BIDS, PARTIAL-PAID BIDS

Bids are awarded at The Cheerleading Worlds qualifying events. Each event producer that hosts a Worlds bid-qualifying event has the discretion to select the processes by which the bids are awarded.

- **Paid bid** sponsors may award up to \$25,000 per team or \$650 per athlete and two coaches on a bid-winning team.
- **Partial-paid bid** sponsors may award up to \$325 per athlete and two coaches on a bid-winning team.

EXAMPLE: A paid/partial-paid bid-winning team that had two coaches and 31 athletes on the floor at the bid-winning event may be awarded up to \$21,450 (\$650 x 33). Sponsorship funds should not be considered as prize money; instead, they are intended to cover expenses related to the team's participation in The Cheerleading Worlds, such as the Worlds registration package, lodging and transportation to Orlando.

Paid/partial-paid funds are for athletes who will be on the floor during the team's performance at The Cheerleading Worlds. Reserve athletes or coaches brought to substitute for unplanned occurrences are not funded by paid/partial-paid bids. Should a substitute and/or an alternate become necessary after submission of a team's Worlds roster and after travel plans have been approved and confirmed, any additional costs associated with those substitution(s) must be paid by the club.

NOTE: In the event of The Cheerleading Worlds being canceled, sponsorship funds must be reimbursed to the awarding event producer. Any additional expenses arising from this situation will be the responsibility of the respective team or club. Event producers shall not assume responsibility for late fees should their representing team fail to meet registration deadlines. Similarly, event producers will not be accountable for additional change fees should the representing team need to make alterations to their initial registration or travel plans.

AT-LARGE BIDS

At-large bids are generally awarded to runner-up teams or teams scoring next highest to the paid-bid-winning team(s). Recipients of at-large bids must pay for their own Worlds registration packages and all other related expenses.

RECEIVING A BID

Bid winners are required to confirm their acceptance within **72 hours** following the conclusion of the bid-receiving event. Consequently, teams participating in a Worlds bid-qualifying event must make critical decisions in advance, including their commitment to accepting a bid, the roster of participants and travel arrangements. This tight timeframe serves the purpose of minimizing last-minute alterations that can escalate expenses and disrupt the overall travel process.

ACCEPTING A BID

To accept a bid, the club must return the *Bid Winners Acceptance Form* and/or giving verbal approval to the sponsoring event producer with 72 hours after the last day of the bid-receiving event.

Once a team accepts a bid, all required registration materials must be completed by the deadlines noted on page 27 of this guide. Any team holding its registration past the deadline in hopes of receiving a paid/partial-paid bid at a later Worlds bid qualifier, but is ultimately unsuccessful in achieving one, will be charged a late registration fee.

Bids that are not accepted or declined by the deadline may be transferred to an alternate team at the sponsoring event producer's discretion. The sponsoring event producer may not transfer (hand down) any unaccepted or declined at-large bid after 96 hours from the last day of the qualifying event.

DECLINING A BID *(to pursue a new bid)*

A team is limited to accepting only one bid for The Cheerleading Worlds within a specific division. If a team has accepted a bid and intends to compete for an **upgraded** bid (e.g., from an at-large bid to a paid bid), no formal declination is necessary. However, if a team chooses to vie for a **similar** bid (e.g., from at-large to at-large or from paid to paid), they must officially **DECLINE** the original bid no later than **11pm EST** on the Friday night before the event begins.

The process to decline a bid is as follows:

- The club must log in to their USASF club account at usasfmembers.net.
- On the profile dashboard, locate and click the **DECLINE** button next to the previously awarded Worlds bid.
- If the bid is not declined by 11pm EST on the Friday before the event, the team will be ineligible to compete for a new bid.

USASF WORLDS DIVISIONS *continued*

TEAM BID LIMITATIONS

A team may receive no more than one bid to The Cheerleading Worlds for any given division. See DECLINING A BID (*to pursue a new bid*), page 6, for more information.

ATHLETE BID LIMITATIONS

Athletes within the same club are limited to the number of teams on which they are eligible to compete and earn paid/partial-paid bids. Once an athlete has competed with a team and earned a paid/partial-paid bid, they are permitted to move to another team within their club. If their second team earns a paid/partial-paid bid, they are bound to the second team and may only compete with the second team at Worlds. They no longer are eligible to compete with the first team once the second team is awarded/accepted a paid/partial-paid bid.

Teams are allowed a limited number of athletes who previously earned paid/partial-paid bids that may compete for and be awarded paid/partial-paid bids on a second team:

- Senior Extra Small/Coed teams may have up to three athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- Senior Small/Coed teams may have up to three athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- Senior Medium/Coed teams may have up to four athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- Senior Large/Coed teams may have up to six athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions may have up to four athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.

EXCEPTIONS TO ATHLETE BID LIMITATIONS

Due to the uncertainty and unknown surrounding COVID, the USASF will allow each division a specific number of athlete EXCEPTIONS to the bid limitations guideline detailed above. With this exception, teams are allowed a limited number of athletes who previously earned paid/partial-paid bids that may compete for and be awarded paid/partial-paid bids on a second team and NOT be held to compete with the second team:

- Senior Extra Small/Coed teams may have no more than one athlete who was previously awarded a paid/partial-paid bid.
- Senior Small/Coed teams may have up to two athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- Senior Medium/Coed teams may have up to three athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- Senior Large/Coed teams may have up to four athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.
- U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions may have up to three athletes who were previously awarded paid/partial-paid bids.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the club to ensure that rosters provided at Worlds Bid competitions are accurate and reflect the athletes that competed on the floor and adhere to the parameters of the Cheer Athlete Bid Limitation.

BOOST YOUR BID TO WORLDS!

Boost your earnings for The Cheerleading Worlds with a Worlds Bid Boost! These cash prizes are available at select USASF sanctioned competitions for teams holding Cheerleading Worlds bids. Event producers can award up to \$100 per participating athlete on a winning Bid Boost team. Find [Bid Boost Events](#).

CREDENTIALING REQUIREMENTS AT BID EVENTS

All cheer teams competing for The Cheerleading Worlds bids are required to have a coach, or combination of coaches, with credentials in both building and tumbling as follows:

- **Level 6 teams:** credentialed through Level 6 in building, tumbling.
- **Level 7 teams:** credentialed through Level 7 in building and 6 in tumbling.
- **Non-tumbling teams:** credentialed in building to the level of the team.

NEED CREDENTIALING?

1. Log in to your [USASF COACH PROFILE](#).
 2. At the top right corner, click your name. (On a mobile device, click ☰, then name.)
 3. Click USASF CREDENTIAL WEBSITE.
 4. Complete the prerequisite written tests online.
 5. Once prerequisites are met, schedule an appointment for a virtual practical session with an instructor.
- Virtual credentialing sessions close **Monday, March 13, 2024**. After that, the only option will be on-site credentialing in Orlando for a \$500 added fee.

See page 10 for credentialing requirements at The Cheerleading Worlds.



USASF WORLDS DIVISIONS *continued*

SUBSTITUTES, ALTERNATES AT BID-EVENTS

All athletes competing at a bid-qualifying event must be listed on the official roster as active athletes and compete on Day 1. Should a team need to make substitutions on Day 2 of the event, they are allowed to replace a limited number of active athletes with reserve athletes for the second performance. The maximum number of substitutions allowed per team on Day 2 is limited:

- Senior Extra Small/Coed Divisions – 3
 - Senior Small/Coed Divisions – 3
 - Senior Medium/Coed Divisions – 4
 - Senior Large/Coed Divisions – 6
 - IASF Divisions – 4
- The team coach is responsible for communicating any replacements or substitutions from Day 1 to Day 2 to the event producer.
 - The event producer will note any changes made from Day 1 to Day 2 on the roster that was submitted by the team.
 - Day 2 substitutions must meet all athlete eligibility requirements to compete with the said team.
 - Athletes that took the floor on Day 1 with the bid-winning team will be considered original team members on the Worlds roster.
 - Reserve athletes that took the floor on Day 2 with the bid-winning team are eligible substitutes on the Worlds roster.

SUBSTITUTES, ALTERNATES AT WORLDS

Each team must submit their official Worlds roster for The Cheerleading Worlds through the USASF member portal. The total maximum number of rostered active athletes permitted at Worlds will be equal to the number of athletes on the floor at the event where the bid was received. Team size may not increase after the bid was received. The club is permitted to replace original team members with substitutes and wild card alternates (reserves) so long as they do not increase the total number of athletes on the team and they follow the guidelines outlined herein.

ORIGINAL TEAM MEMBERS

Original team members are athletes that were on the floor AND included on the official team roster at the bid-winning event.

SUBSTITUTES

A substitute must be a regular-paid athlete from the same club, on a different team, and have competed on the floor for that club at the same event where the bid was awarded. All substitutes must meet the same eligibility requirements as those of the original bid-winning event. The maximum number of substitutions allowed per team at The Cheerleading Worlds is limited:

USASF Senior Divisions

- Senior Small/Coed Divisions – 6
- Senior Medium/Coed Divisions – 8
- Senior Large/Coed Divisions – 10

IASF Divisions

- Open Divisions – 8 (season 1 countries)*
- Open Divisions – 12 (season 2 countries)*
- Global Club Divisions – 8 (season 1 countries)*
- Global Club Divisions – 12 (season 2 countries)*
- Non Tumbling Divisions – 10 (season 1 countries)*
- Non Tumbling Divisions – 15 (season 2 countries)*

**Seasons only apply to non-U.S. teams. Refer to IASFworlds.com for season descriptions.*

WILD CARD ALTERNATES

Wild card alternates are additional members of the club that did not perform on the floor at the event where the bid was received. Among the maximum number of substitutions allowed per team, a limited number may be wild card alternates:

- Senior Extra Small Divisions – 3
- Senior Small Divisions – 4
- Senior Medium Divisions – 5
- Senior Large Divisions – 6
- IASF Divisions – 5

RESERVES

If, for any reason, a substitute is needed to replace an active athlete on a USASF official roster, ONLY an athlete listed as a reserve athlete on the respective team's USASF official roster may be used for that substitution. An athlete attending The Cheerleading Worlds exclusively as a reserve athlete may be listed on more than one team roster within the same club. Once the reserve athlete is moved to active, they are no longer eligible to serve as a reserve athlete on any other team. The club must notify a USASF event official of the athlete replacement (moving athlete from reserve to active) prior to the team and the athlete taking the floor. Please allow adequate time for a USASF event official to verify eligibility.

CROSSOVERS

At The Cheerleading Worlds, crossovers of athletes between teams from the same club are NOT permitted. Crossovers of athletes between clubs are NOT permitted. Crossovers of athletes between cheer and dance teams from the same or different clubs are NOT permitted. In other words, a performer may represent only one team in cheer or one club in dance.

USASF WORLDS DIVISIONS *continued*

U.S.-BASED TEAMS COMPETING IN IASF DIVISIONS

U.S.-based teams competing in IASF divisions must associate their official USASF roster through their member profile to the Worlds bid-giving event. All U.S.-based cheer athletes (original team members, alternates, substitutes) must be USASF athlete members to join the team in the warm-up room and compete at Worlds.

NON-U.S.-BASED TEAMS

All non-U.S.-based teams must submit a completed International team roster. This document is available to print at TheCheerleadingWorlds.net or IASFworlds.com.

Copies of each athlete's birth certificate or passport must be with the team coach/representative at all times and readily available upon request by a Worlds official. Proof-of-age documents stored on a USB/zip drive are acceptable.

PRELIMS, SEMIFINALS, FINALS

Competition officials reserve the right to amend the order of events and/or divisions based upon final registration for The Cheerleading Worlds.

- **U.S. teams with at-large bids** in **IONT-6** and **IOCNT-6** divisions will compete in a **PRELIMINARY ROUND** Friday, April 26, 2024.
- The top 10 prelim teams will advance to the semifinal round on Saturday to compete among paid-bid teams in those divisions.
- Prelim teams advancing to semifinals will be reverse-seeded and spread among the paid-bid teams within the performance order.
- Scores do not carry over from one round to the next.
- The top three teams from each country will advance from semifinals to finals.
- The performance order for finals will be reverse-seeded based on semifinal results.

NOTES:

- If 40 or more teams compete in a division's preliminary round, 15 will move to the semifinal round.
- If 40 or more teams compete in a division's semifinal round, 15 will move to the final round.

U.S. WORLDS TRIALS

SEMIFINALS

The **semifinal rounds** for the following divisions will be declared the U.S. Worlds Trials:

- Saturday, April 27: **U18NT-6**, **U18CNT-6**, and **IOCNT-6**. This round will include paid-bid U.S. teams and the top 10 U.S. teams from prelims the previous day.
- Sunday, April 28: **IONT-6**

The top three U.S. teams will progress to finals and receive trophies and gold, silver and bronze medallions. Teams placing fourth through 10th in each division above will receive trophies.

FINALS

The top three U.S. teams for the following divisions will progress to **finals** to compete among the top three teams from other countries as follows:

- Sunday, April 28: **U18NT-6**, **U18CNT-6**, and **IOCNT-6**
- Monday, April 29: **IONT-6**

CANADIAN WORLDS TRIALS

SEMIFINALS

The **semifinal rounds** for the following divisions will be declared the Canadian Worlds Trials for Canadian teams:

- Saturday, April 27: **U18-5**, **IO-5**, **IOSC5**, and **IOCNT-6**.
- Sunday, April 28: **IONT-6**

The top three Canadian teams will progress to finals and receive trophies and gold, silver and bronze medallions.

FINALS

The top three Canadian teams from the following divisions will progress to **finals** to compete among the top three teams from other countries as follows:

- Sunday, April 28: **IOCNT-6**
- Monday, April 29: **U18-5**, **IO-5**, **IOSC-5**, and **IONT-6**

SCORING

Scores DO NOT carry over from the preliminary to the semifinal round, nor from the semifinal to final round.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AT WORLDS

USASF WORLDS ATHLETES

- Athletes must be current members of the USASF and listed on the official Worlds roster.
- Athletes must be accompanied by an eligible USASF coach with applicable level credentialing to enter the Worlds warm-up rooms.
- Athletes are not permitted to compete in the same division at The Cheerleading Worlds and at a 2024 end-of-season, multi-brand event.
- Adult athletes (those who are 18 years and older or will turn 18 before June 1, 2024) must have a current background screening with a green light determination and abuse prevention training. Exceptional athletes are excluded from this requirement.
- Athlete must understand that they are representatives of the event producer that awarded the team's bid to The Cheerleading Worlds and agree to act with complete respect, sportsmanship and graciousness at all times while representing the USASF event producer from whom they received a bid to The Cheerleading Worlds.

USASF WORLDS COACHES

- Coaches must be current USASF members and in good standing with the USASF.
- Coaches must meet eligibility requirements for membership through their USASF member profile.
- Coaches must be credentialed in either building, tumbling or both up to the level at which their team competed at the bid-qualifying event and will compete at The Cheerleading Worlds.
- Coaches may not send the same team to compete in the same division at both The Cheerleading Worlds and a 2024 end-of-season, multi-brand event.
- Non-coaching club owners may enter the warm-up area with their team if they meet USASF membership eligibility requirements and are accompanied by a coach who meets the above credentialing and membership eligibility requirements as shown below.
- Coaches must understand that they are representatives of the event producer that awarded the team's bid to The Cheerleading Worlds and agree to act with complete respect, sportsmanship and graciousness at all times while representing the USASF event producer from whom they received a bid to The Cheerleading Worlds.

CREDENTIALING REQUIREMENTS AT WORLDS

All U.S.-based cheer teams competing at The Cheerleading Worlds are required to have a coach, or combination of coaches, with credentials in both building and tumbling through the level of the team. This may be one coach with both skill sets or a combination of coaches who have the following skill sets between them:

- **Level 6 teams:** credentialed through Level 6 in building and tumbling.
- **Level 7 teams:** credentialed through Level 7 in building and 6 in tumbling.
- **Non-tumbling teams:** credentialed in building to the level of the team.

Only coaches who meet the credentialing criteria outlined above will be permitted to enter warm-up rooms with their respective teams. Credentialed coaches must be listed on their respective Worlds rosters and physically present in warm-up rooms with their teams at all times.

NOTE: Non-coaching club owners who do not possess the appropriate level of building or tumbling credentials are strictly prohibited from coaching in the Worlds warm-up rooms.

NEED CREDENTIALING?

1. Log in to your [USASF COACH PROFILE](#).
2. At the top right corner, click your name. (On a mobile device, click ☰, then name.)
3. Click USASF CREDENTIAL WEBSITE.
4. Complete the prerequisite written tests online.
5. Once prerequisites are met, schedule an appointment for a virtual practical session with an instructor.

Virtual credentialing sessions close Monday, March 13, 2024. After that, the only option will be on-site credentialing in Orlando for a \$500 added fee.

For on-site credentialing in Orlando:

1. On-site credentialing appointments for practical sessions will take place April 24-25, 2024 in Orlando.
2. Appointments must be made IN ADVANCE prior to 5pm CST, **April 12, 2024**.
Email credentialing@usasf.net to schedule.
3. Complete prerequisite written tests online prior to the scheduled appointment. See steps 1-5 in above paragraph.
4. Coaches will be charged a \$500 on-site administrative fee IN ADDITION to the normal credentialing fee.
5. Those who fail to make an appointment in advance will pay a \$200 walk-up fee IN ADDITION to the \$500 on-site administrative fee and normal credentialing fee.



Last day to request on-site credentialing appointment.

IASF WORLDS DIVISIONS

IASF/INTERNATIONAL DIVISIONS 2024

LEVEL	DIVISIONS	TARGET AGE	BIRTH YEAR	FEMALES/MALES	NUMBER ON TEAM
5	U18 Level 5 (U18-5) *	14-18 yrs	2005-2010	female	10-24 members
5	U18 Level 5 Coed 4 Small Coed (U18SC-5) *	14-18 yrs	2005-2010	1-4 males	10-24 members
6	U18 Level 6 NT (U18NT-6)	14-18 yrs	2005-2010	female	10-30 members
6	U18 Level 6 NT Coed (U18NTC-6)	14-18 yrs	2005-2010	1-20 males	10-30 members
5	Open 5 (IO 5) *	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	female	10-24 members
5	Open 5 Small Coed 4 (IOSC 5) *	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	1-4 males	10-24 members
6	Open 5 Large Coed 16 (IOLC 5) *	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	5-16 males	10-24 members
6	Open 6 (IO 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	female	10-24 members
6	Open 6 Small Coed 4 (IOSC 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	1-4 males	10-24 members
6	Open 6 Large Coed 16 (IOLC 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	5-16 males	10-24 members
7	Open 7 (IO 7)	17+ yrs	2007 or earlier	female	10-24 members
7	Open 7 Small Coed 4 (IOSC 7)	17+ yrs	2007 or earlier	1-4 males	10-24 members
7	Open 7 Large Coed 16 (IOLC 7)	17+ yrs	2007 or earlier	5-16 males	10-24 members
6	Open 6 Non Tumbling (IONT 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	female	10-30 members
6	Open 6 Non Tumbling Coed (IONTC 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	1-20 males	10-30 members
7	Open 7 Non Tumbling (IONT 7) *	17+ yrs	2007 or earlier	female	10-30 members
7	Open 7 Non Tumbling Coed (IONTC 7) *	17+ yrs	2007 or earlier	1-20 males	10-30 members
6	Global Club 6 (IG 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	female	10-24 members
6	Global Club 6 Coed (IGC 6)	16+ yrs	2008 or earlier	1-16 males	10-24 members

COMPETITOR'S AGE, YEAR OF COMPETITION: The age of the competitor is based on the date of birth falling during the year of the 2024 competition.

* USASF teams are not eligible to compete in these divisions designated by an asterisk.

IASF DIVISION BID REQUIREMENTS

- Event producers will publish the procedures they will follow for awarding bids prior to the start of their qualifying competition. An event producer may not award more than one bid and/or type of bid to the same team.
- In order to receive a bid to The Cheerleading Worlds you must be a registered and insured business known as an All Star gym, dance studio and/or a club. Bids are designated for teams from a single **All Star gym, studio or club that have competed and qualified in the IASF Worlds divisions** at an approved IASF Worlds qualifier.

DEADLINE FOR BID ACCEPTANCE

- Paid/partial-paid and at-large bid winners who choose to accept their bids must do so **within 72 hours** after the last day of the bid-receiving event. Return the *Bid Winners Acceptance Form* and/or give verbal approval to the sponsoring event producer.
- Prior to competing in a Worlds bid-qualifying event, each team should decide whether it will accept the bid should they receive one, who will be going and what the travel specifics will be. The purpose of this tight timing is to control last-minute changes that increase costs and make the entire travel experience disorganized.
- Once a team accepts a bid, all required registration materials must be completed by the deadlines noted on page 27 of this guide. Any team holding its registration past the deadline in hopes of receiving a paid/partial-paid bid at a later Worlds bid qualifier, but is ultimately unsuccessful in achieving one, will be charged a late registration fee.
- Bids that are not accepted or declined by the deadline may be transferred to an alternate team at the sponsoring event producer's discretion. The sponsoring event producer may not transfer (hand down) any unaccepted or declined at-large bid after 96 hours from the last day of the qualifying event.

PAID BIDS, PARTIAL-PAID BIDS

Bids are awarded at The Cheerleading Worlds qualifying events. Each event producer that hosts a Worlds bid-qualifying event has the discretion to select the processes by which the bids are awarded. Bid sponsorship funds are not prize money and are to be used towards the team's Worlds registration package, lodging and/or transportation to Orlando to participate at The Cheerleading Worlds. All paid/partial-paid bids payments are made directly to Worlds by the event producer on behalf of the program.

- **Paid bid** sponsors may award up to \$25,000 per team or \$650 per athlete and two coaches on a bid-winning team.
- **Partial-paid bid** sponsors may award up to \$325 per athlete and two coaches on a bid-winning team.

Paid/partial-paid bids are for athletes who will be on the floor during the team's performance at The Cheerleading Worlds. Reserve athletes or coaches brought to substitute for unplanned occurrences are not covered by paid/partial-paid bids and will not be funded by the sponsoring event producer. Should a substitute and/or an alternate become necessary after submission of a team's Worlds roster and after travel plans have been approved and confirmed, any additional costs associated with those substitution(s) must be paid by the club.

NOTE: If The Cheerleading Worlds event is cancelled for any reason, the paid/partial-paid bid sponsorship funds must be returned to the event producer who awarded the funds. Additional expenses incurred will be the responsibility of the team/club. Event producers will not be responsible for late fees if their representing team does not meet the registration deadline. Event producers will not be responsible for added change fees if the representing team has to make changes to the original registration and/or travel.

AT-LARGE BIDS

At-large bids are generally awarded to runner-up teams or teams scoring next highest to the paid/partial-paid bid-winning team(s). Recipients of at-large bids must pay for their own Worlds registration packages and all other related expenses.

50% ROSTER, TEAM SIZE POLICY *(Only non-U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions)*

Rosters may change up to 50 percent within the division in which the bid has been awarded. Fifty percent of the athletes on the original team roster must remain on the roster for the The Cheerleading Worlds.

EXAMPLE: A team of 14 athletes can change seven of those athletes after tryouts to maintain the 50 percent. Season 2 programs that have tryouts after receiving their Worlds bid(s), may add to the roster as long as 50 percent of the original roster is maintained.

Clubs must notify the Event Producer if their roster changes so a NEW IASF roster can be submitted to the IASF.

TEAM BID LIMITATIONS *(Only non-U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions)*

DECLINING A BID *(to pursue a new bid)*

A non-U.S.-based team is limited to accepting only one bid for The Cheerleading Worlds within a specific division. If a team has accepted a bid and intends to compete for an **upgraded** bid (e.g., from an at-large bid to a paid bid), no formal declination is necessary. However, if a team chooses to vie for a **similar** bid (e.g., from at-large to at-large or from paid to paid), they must officially **DECLINE** the original bid no later than **11 pm EST** on the Friday night before the event begins.

The process to **DECLINE** a bid includes:

1. writing to the sponsoring event producer and
2. writing to the IASF Director, Jibreel Rayam, jibreel@iasfworlds.com.

CHEER ATHLETE BID LIMITATIONS *(Only non-U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions)*

- An athlete on a non-U.S.-based team may qualify for Worlds with **only one** gym in the same World's season. **Exceptions** will be considered on a case-by-case basis and must be presented to the IASF director within 60 days before the World Championships.
- Athletes on non-U.S.-based teams within the same club are limited to the number of teams on which they are eligible to compete and earn paid or partial-paid bids.
- Once an athlete on a non-U.S.-based team has competed on a team and earned a paid/partial-paid or at-large bid, they are permitted to move to another team within their club. If their second team earns a bid, they are bound to the second team and may only compete with the second team at Worlds. They no longer are eligible to compete with the first team once the second team is awarded a bid.
- The number of athletes that have already earned a paid/partial-paid bid that are eligible to compete for and be awarded/accepted a paid/partial-paid bid on a second team is limited: IASF division teams may have up to four athletes that were previously awarded a paid/partial-paid bid.

ROSTER, MUSIC VERIFICATION

ROSTER VERIFICATION APPOINTMENTS

SCHEDULING

You must schedule your Worlds roster verification appointment with your USASF regional director no later than April 5.

- Appointments will be scheduled 9am-6pm, April 24-26 only.
- No appointments will be offered nor rosters approved on Saturday.
- Appointments will be held at these locations:
 - **Coronado Springs Resort:** U.S.-based teams staying at Coronado Springs Resort and U.S.-based team commuters.
 - **All Star Resort-Celebrity Hall:** U.S.-based teams staying at All Star Resort and ALL non-U.S.-based International teams.

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Watch for more information regarding scheduling an appointment with a Worlds official.

USASF teams must contact their [USASF regional director](#) to schedule appointments.

IASF teams will receive an email from admin@iasfworlds.com regarding the roster verification process.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING YOUR APPOINTMENT

ROSTER VERIFICATION

1. Bring printed copies of these documents to your appointment:
 - Worlds Team Roster
 - Compliance Cover Sheet
2. Your roster will be checked against the roster that was certified by the bid-awarding event producer. Additionally, the following areas will be reviewed:

Athletes

- All athletes listed on the official Worlds roster.
- Correct number of females/males per team.
- Reserve athletes are listed and follow substitution/alternate rules as stated on page 8.
- *Club Release Waivers* will be collected for any athlete who has taken the floor with an exhibition or competition team with another club during the Worlds competition season (Nov. 1, 2023–April 22, 2024). See page 5.
- Non-U.S. citizen athletes on U.S.-based teams must provide appropriate original documentation. Bring the *International Athlete List* and required documents, available from your [USASF regional director](#).
- REMINDER: Athletes must present photo IDs upon warm-up entry. See page 15.
- REMINDER: ALL athletes on U.S.-based teams in Open divisions (*any division that does not have a top age*) must complete abuse prevention education.

Coaches

- All coaches and club owners listed on the official Worlds roster.
- Coach or combination of coaches credentialed as follows:
 1. building through level of team; and
 2. tumbling through level 6 (unless non-tumbling).
- Only credentialed coaches may enter warm-up rooms.
- Club owners who do not possess the appropriate level of building or tumbling credentials may enter warm-up rooms with credentialed coaches but are strictly prohibited from coaching in the warm-up rooms and backstage areas.
- Coaches and club owners must have coach ID cards.
- Coach credentials MUST show on coach ID card.

Personnel

- Correct personnel member included on the official Worlds roster.
- Member must have personnel ID card to enter warm-up room.
- Only one personnel member per team may enter warm-up room.

3. Once verified by a Worlds official, the roster will be locked and considered your official Worlds roster and will be used during the athlete ID check prior to your team entering the warm-up room.
4. Changes made after roster verification must be reported to and verified by your [USASF regional director](#).

MUSIC VERIFICATION

The music verification process requires that you:

1. complete a form to declare that your music is copyright compliant and
2. show all applicable licenses and receipts as they pertain to your routine music.

U.S. TEAM ELIGIBILITY

Athletes must be U.S. residents or legal student residents. Team members not U.S. citizens must provide proof of legal residency through roster verification and upon request. For inquiries, contact Amy Clark at aclark@usaf.net.

CLUB RELEASE WAIVER

Any athlete, including an Exceptional Athlete, who has taken the floor with an exhibition or competition team at any level from a (primary) club during the Worlds competition season (Nov. 1, 2023–April 22, 2024), must have a *USASF Club Release Waiver* signed by the owner of the primary club to be eligible to compete with a different (secondary) club at The 2024 Cheerleading Worlds. The USASF Club Release Waiver is found at [TheCheerleadingWorlds.net](#). This form must be uploaded on the *Roster Verification Form* prior to your roster verification appointment.

WARM-UP ROOM, BACKSTAGE ACCESS POLICY

- **Worlds team rosters must include** all participants who plan to enter the warm-up room with a team preparing to compete: club owners, coaches, choreographers, athletic trainers, personnel, athletes and alternate/substitute athletes.
- **Failure to produce proper credentials and identification** will prohibit entry into the warm-up area. Unauthorized entry into the warm-up area will result in immediate disciplinary action.
- **Prohibited from entry into warm-up rooms:** Children not rostered as athletes or reserves, VIPs, team photographers and media

U.S.-BASED TEAM ATHLETES

- Athletes must be current members of the USASF and listed on the official Worlds roster.
- Athletes must understand that they are representatives of the event producer that awarded the team's bid to The Cheerleading and Dance Worlds; and agree to act with complete respect, sportsmanship, and graciousness at all times while representing the USASF event producer from whom they received a bid to The Cheerleading Worlds or The Dance Worlds.
- Adult athletes must have current background screenings with green light determinations and abuse prevention education. Adult athletes are those who are 18 years and older or will turn 18 before June 1, 2024. Exceptional Athletes are excluded from this requirement.
- Alternate and substitute athletes (reserves) must meet the age grid criteria for the teams on which they are serving as reserves.
- Reserve athletes must be registered and paid athletes of The Cheerleading Worlds.
- Reserve athletes must be on the Worlds roster in order to be allowed in the warm-up areas.
- Reserve athletes must be competition-ready and in the venue where the team is competing.
- If an injury occurs, reserve athletes may be used, as needed, as long as they meet eligibility requirements, are listed on the roster and have been approved during the roster verification appointment. Reserve athletes must report, be ready to warm up and compete with the team, within 15 minutes of the injury.
- Athletes must present photo IDs for verification by a USASF official. See page 15.
- ALL athletes on U.S.- based Open teams (*any division that does not have a top age*) must complete abuse prevention education.

NON-U.S.-BASED TEAM ATHLETES

- Each non-U.S.-based team must have an official team roster, verified during the scheduled roster verification appointment in Orlando and signed by the team coach and a Worlds official. See page 13.
- Each athlete must present a photo ID (passport or visa) to a Worlds official to enter the warm-up area. See page 14.
- Alternate and substitute athletes (reserves) must meet the age grid criteria for the rostered team.
- Reserve athletes must be registered and paid athletes of The Cheerleading Worlds.
- Reserve athletes must be on the official roster to be allowed in the warm-up room.
- Reserve athletes must be competition-ready and in the venue where the team is competing.
- If an injury occurs, reserve athletes may be used, as needed, as long as they meet eligibility requirements, are listed on the roster and have been approved during the roster verification appointment. Reserve athletes must report, be ready to warm up and compete with the team, within 15 minutes of the injury.

WORLDS CHEERLEADING COACHES (U.S. BASED-TEAMS)

- Coaches must have active USASF coach memberships and meet all eligibility requirements through their USASF member profile.
- Coaches must understand that they are representatives of the event producer that awarded the team's bid to The Cheerleading and Dance Worlds; and agree to act with complete respect, sportsmanship, and graciousness at all times while representing the USASF event producer from whom they received a bid to The Cheerleading Worlds or The Dance Worlds.
- Coaches must present USASF ID cards, either digital or plastic.
- Coaches must wear the Worlds coach lanyard at all times.
- Additionally, The Cheerleading Worlds teams must have coaches who are credentialed in both building and tumbling through the level of the team. This may be one coach with both skill sets or a combination of coaches who have both skill sets between them.
- Non-tumbling teams are only required to have a coach with building credentials to the level of the team. See page 10 for more information.
- Credentialed coaches must be listed on their respective Worlds rosters and physically present in the warm-up rooms with their teams at all times.

PERSONNEL (U.S. BASED-TEAMS)

- Personnel must meet all membership eligibility requirements.
- Personnel must present a USASF ID card, either digital or plastic.
- Personnel must have a Worlds Park Hopper or admission ticket for venue entry.
- Only one personnel member per team will be permitted in the warm-up room.

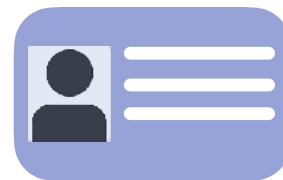
IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

ATHLETE PHOTO ID REQUIREMENT

Government-issued photo IDs are required for all Worlds athletes*. Acceptable forms of government-issued photo identification are:

- driver's license
- state ID
- military ID
- passport
- visa

* Photo IDs are not required for Exceptional Athletes.



Prior to entering the warm-up room, a USASF official will verify the identity of each athlete on your official Worlds roster.

1. Athletes will line up in the same order as on the roster.
2. Athletes will present government-issued photo identifications.
3. A USASF official will use the IDs to verify athletes on the official Worlds roster.



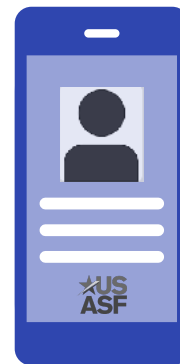
A state ID may be obtained through your local DMV office and may take six or more weeks to receive. The minimum age required for a state ID varies by state. Passports typically take six to eight weeks. Please plan accordingly. It is the responsibility of the club and its representatives to allocate ample time to receive acceptable forms of identification so that athletes may enter the warm-up room and compete.

HOW TO CREATE COACH/PERSONNEL ID CARDS (U.S. BASED-TEAMS)

Coaches and personnel members on Worlds team rosters must present USASF ID cards upon entering warm-up rooms. Cards may be digital or plastic.

DIGITAL ID CARD - no cost

- COACH/OWNER: Create digital ID through the USASF COACH app. Show a screen capture and QR code at warm-ups.
- PERSONNEL: Owners must create digital IDs for personnel through the club profile:
- Click PERSONNEL tab > REGULAR PERSONNEL > Place check by individual's name > PERSONNEL ID CARD tab.
- Follow prompts to confirm info, upload photo and preview card. *DO NOT make payment.*
- Return to PERSONNEL tab > DIGITAL ID CARD.
- Place check by individual's name > click SEND DIGITAL ID CARD tab.
- Individual will receive an email with digital ID to print or screen capture.



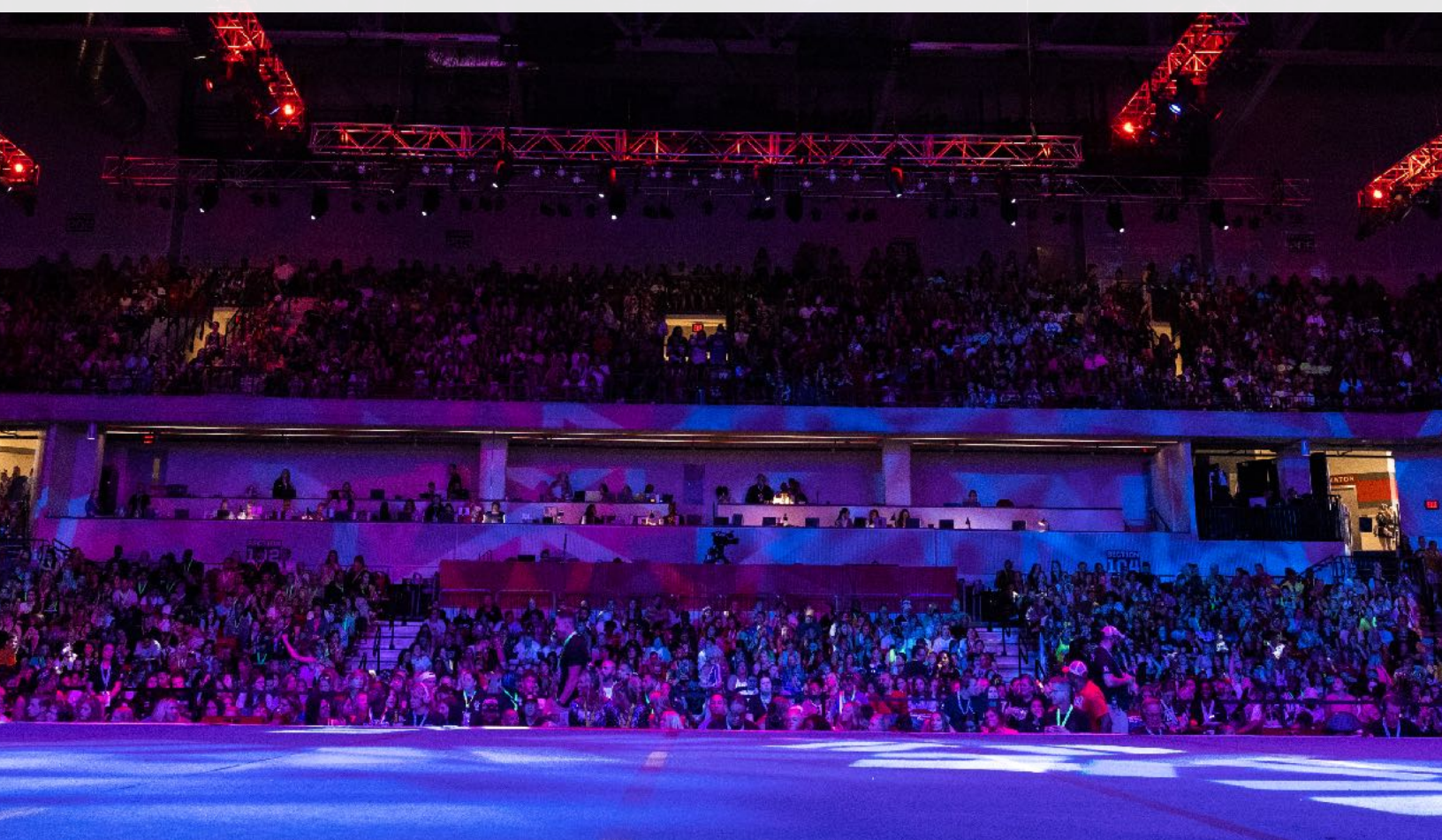
PLASTIC ID CARD - \$15

- COACH/OWNER: Purchase plastic ID through the USASF coach membership profile.
- PERSONNEL: Owners must purchase plastic ID for personnel through the club profile. Follow steps 1-3 above and continue through payment prompts.

WORLDS EVENT VIOLATION POLICY-USASF

USASF officials will evaluate each situation and the following penalties may be assessed.

VIOLATION	1ST OFFENSE	2ND OFFENSE	TEAM PENALTY	MEMBER PENALTY
I M M E D I A T E D I S C I P L I N A R Y A C T I O N				
USASF MEMBER <i>other than athlete</i>				
In warm-up area without proper credentials and/or identification	Removed from warm-up area, name, club name documented	Membership, credentials confiscated, escorted from venue	None	Coach membership revoked for one year
Refused entry into warm-up area by USASF staff but entered anyway	Membership/credentials confiscated, removed from warm-up area, name and club name documented: official warning	Membership/credentials confiscated, escorted from venue	6-point penalty for team	Coach and club membership revoked for one year
USASF MEMBER ATHLETE				
In warm-up area but NOT on team roster	Picture taken, documented and removed from warm-up area	Escorted from the venue	6-point penalty for team	Ineligible for the remainder of the event
Competes but NOT listed on the team roster	Ineligible to compete	Membership revoked for one year (full season)	Team disqualified	Club membership revoked for up to two years
Under the influence of drugs or alcohol at any venue at any time during the event from arrival to departure on Tuesday	Authorities and parent/guardians are called and athlete is ineligible to compete for the remainder of the event	Athlete membership revoked for one year (one full season)	6-point penalty per incident for team	Athlete membership revoked for up to two years, review of club membership revocation of up to two years



AGREEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

In an effort to maintain the integrity and professionalism of The Cheerleading Worlds, USASF has established a code of conduct. It is our goal to offer a positive event where good sportsmanship is the major theme and all rules are followed. The USASF member event producers fervently encourage and support fairness, integrity and sportsmanship among all athletes in all facets of dance and cheerleading, including, but not limited to team practice and performance. We strive to uphold the highest standards and promote this to the best of our abilities and believe that coaches/club owners are instrumental in promoting and instilling this among their respective team members.

SAFETY

- I understand that cheerleading is a competitive activity, which requires proper training techniques for all athletes under my direction.
- I attest I have been properly trained in basic cheer techniques, proper skill progression and safety precautions.
- I understand it is my ethical duty to put the interest and safety of my athletes first and not to put athletes under my direction at risk unnecessarily.
- I understand that only USASF coaches who meet requirements for eligibility in the USASF member system are permitted in the warm-up areas at The Cheerleading Worlds.
- I understand that only USASF member athletes may compete at The Cheerleading Worlds.

SPORTSMANSHIP

- I will support The Cheerleading Worlds outcome and represent my club with integrity, including on social media.
- I will display good sportsmanship and require such of my athletes and parents/families of competitors, including on social media.
- I understand my position as a role model for my team and will conduct myself in a professional manner at all times; and I understand that my behavior is subject to disciplinary action if it violates the USASF Code of Conduct.

HOTEL, RESORT GUIDELINES

- Smoking and/or the use of alcohol by a World's athlete is prohibited. An athlete in violation of this rule is subject to immediate disciplinary action which may include ineligibility for the current Worlds competition. If the violation occurs after the athlete competes, yet during the event time frame at any Worlds event location the incident will be reviewed by the Disciplinary Committee and may result in but not limited to restriction of membership or future participation in The Cheerleading Worlds and The Dance Worlds.
- Absolutely NO tape or paint of any kind on any walls, windows or doors. Be sure your team knows to leave the rooms as they find them (including furniture) when they check out.
- Do not prop your doors open.
- Illegal substances are prohibited.
- Travel in groups of two or more.
- Security will walk around at night and will be on patrol at all times. All athletes will have a midnight curfew and will be asked to show courtesy in keeping noise levels down.
- Buses to the events will load and unload outside your registration location. YOU MUST WEAR YOUR LANYARD TO GET ON THE BUS. Whether in uniform or not, you must have proof of being on a Worlds hotel package to use the buses. We do not recommend that you use Walt Disney World® Resort shuttles to competition venues because they run on Walt Disney World® time and are not set to run with the times of our events or to our venues.
- The hotel and the USASF will not be responsible for any electronics, trophies, or other items. You will need to take them to the bus with you or store them in the USASF office located at one of the host hotels.
- If a minor loses a room key, they must be accompanied by an adult or coach to receive a new key.
- REQUIRED: Every team must have at least one coach, club owner, or responsible adult for every nine athletes staying at the hotel to supervise their team members.

WALT DISNEY WORLD® RESORT CODE OF CONDUCT

WHILE AT THE HOTEL

- Please be respectful to those around you, not every guest is on your schedule.
- Disrespectful conduct or behavior such as vulgarity, excessive rowdiness, excessive noise and all other actions that negatively affect other guests or cast members is not permitted.
- During the quiet hours (10pm-8am), guests shall be considerate and refrain from any conduct that could disturb others in the vicinity. Voices, televisions, or other devices must be kept at a respectful low level at all times. Doors should be opened and closed quietly. Congregating or running in halls is not permitted.
- For your safety and the safety of others, please do not engage in any unsafe act or acts that may impede the operation of the resort or any associated facility. Examples include: cutting in lines and leaving laundry unattended in washers|dryers for long periods of time.
- Help keep guest rooms enjoyable for all guests and free from damages. Damages to rooms, paint or excessive cleaning will be charged to the group or group leader. Do not hang items from the sprinklers in the ceiling as this can trigger the sprinklers and cause flooding.

WHILE AT THE POOL

- An adult chaperone must be at the pool while minors from your group are present.
- Proper attire must be worn at all times, including at pool areas (i.e. no revealing or transparent swimwear or bathing suit thongs).
- Pools will experience a hard close every night. Please check specific pool hours at your resort hotel.

GROUP LEADER RESPONSIBILITIES

- The actions and conduct of your group are the responsibility of the group leader(s). Therefore, please ensure that all members of your group are in compliance with all policies and procedures established by the Walt Disney World® Resort in Florida and all applicable laws, rules and regulations, including those in this document.

WALT DISNEY WORLD® RESORT IN FLORIDA RIGHT TO REMOVE

- Walt Disney World® Resort in Florida reserves the right to remove guests from the facility without refund and/or from future group experiences for any reason, including, without limitation, failure of the guest to comply with the Walt Disney World® Code of Conduct as outlined above or any other action deemed inappropriate by the Walt Disney World® Resort in Florida.

THIS DOCUMENT REQUIRES SIGNATURES. Bring signed document to the Worlds registration desk in Orlando.

AGREEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

1. I agree to follow all safety, sportsmanship, hotel, warm-up room and performance rules both by the letter and spirit of the rule.
2. I agree to abide by the eligibility stipulations and substitution rules as determined by the USASF and I understand that if a violation is reported, I may be required to supply eligibility verification to event officials.
3. I understand if one or more members of our team is found to be ineligible, is destructive to Walt Disney World® property or competition-related property, or behaves inappropriately, our team will: be disqualified, be responsible for repaying the total cost of any funds received through a paid/partial-paid bid and will not be eligible for any type of bid to The Cheerleading Worlds for the following year.
4. I understand our registration will not be entered or processed without this signed form.

club name

team name

city/state/country

ATHLETES: PRINT your name on the first line and SIGN your name on the second line.

<i>print name</i>	<i>sign name</i>	<i>print name</i>	<i>sign name</i>
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THE CHEERLEADING WORLDS 2024

RULES & REGULATIONS

I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

The Cheerleading Worlds competition will follow the most recent version of the USASF and IASF general rules and age grids. Refer to [USASF.net/rules](https://usASF.net/rules) or [IASFworlds.com](https://iasfworlds.com) for details.

II. COMPETITION AREA

- A. Participants must start and end within the competition boundary and may line up anywhere inside the competition area to begin their routine. The competition area will be determined by the tournament director according to the size of the facility being used. Approximate floor size will be 54 feet wide by 42 feet deep (9 panels). All skills must originate and be completed within the competition boundary. No lineups, skills, or transitions are allowed outside of the competition boundary. The competition boundary is defined as the actual competition floor/spring floor, the carpet bonded foam panels that connect to the spring floor, and any additional border that supports/ surrounds the floor.
- B. A deduction will be assessed per occurrence for an athlete that makes contact outside the competition boundary.
NOTE: The deduction amount will be included in Worlds score sheets that will be posted on TheCheerleadingWorlds.net in early 2024.
- C. If a sign or prop is thrown outside the performing area, that team will receive a deduction for each violation. Signs or props may be placed or dropped outside the competition boundary by a team member who must remain inside the competition boundary area. All center markers are prohibited.

III. MUSIC AND LIMITATIONS

- A. Timing will begin with the first movement, voice, or note of music, whichever comes first. Timing will end with the last movement, last voice, or note of music, whichever comes last.
Routine performance times:
1. Senior Divisions: 2:30 maximum
 2. IASF Open L5, L6 and L7: 2:30 maximum
 3. IASF Non-Tumbling L6 and L7: 2:00 maximum
 4. IASF Global Club L6:
 - a. 30 second minimum to 40 second maximum for the opening cheer portion;
 - b. 20 second maximum to move from cheer portion and set up for the music portion; and
 - c. 2:30 maximum for the music portion.
- B. All introductions (tumbling, entrances, chants, spell-outs, etc.) are considered part of the routine and are timed as part of the performance. There should not be any organized exits or other activities after the official ending of the routine.
NOTE: Penalty points will be included with the Worlds score sheets that will be posted on TheCheerleadingWorlds.net in early 2024.
- C. If a team exceeds the time limit, a penalty will be assessed.
NOTE: The point deduction amount will be posted when the Worlds Score Sheets are posted on TheCheerleadingWorlds.net in early 2024.
- D. Because penalties are severe, it is recommended that all teams time their performance several times prior to attending the competition and leave a several seconds cushion to allow for variations in sound equipment.

- E. All teams at The Cheerleading Worlds may use as many songs in the musical portion of their routine as they like.
- F. Routine music used at The Cheerleading Worlds must comply with applicable copyright law. At Worlds, all teams must provide proof of licensing. This will be reviewed during roster check appointments (see page 13). This may include:
- proof of purchase from an approved music provider.
 - if using a single song, the receipt from the song's purchase.
 - if using an editor, proof of purchase from an approved provider and proof of licensing for all sound effects and voice-overs included in the mix. Editors do not have to be on the preferred provider list but must be able to provide teams these required proofs of purchase and licensing.

NOTE: If you have additional questions about the music guidelines, please contact your [USASF regional director](#).

- G. Teams may not use Disney themes nor costumes that resemble Disney characters. However, Disney music is acceptable if the music licensing guidelines are followed.
- H. Each team is required to assign a responsible adult who knows the routine and music to stay at the music station during the team's performance. This representative is responsible for starting the music and stopping the music in case of technical malfunction or injury. Please make sure that all devices are fully charged, placed in airplane mode, and the volume is turned up.

IV. ATHLETE BEHAVIOR

- A. Athletes participating in The Cheerleading Worlds are expected to demonstrate the highest levels of sportsmanship, respect and support throughout the entire event. On occasion there have been concerns that not all teams consistently uphold a high standard of decorum during the periods surrounding their performances in the competition venues. Additionally, some club members and fans have also been observed not adhering to the expected standards of conduct when viewing the routines.
- B. When teams are introduced, they are expected to take the floor within a 30-second window and assume the starting position for their routine. At the conclusion of the routine, competitors are expected to exit the performance floor immediately, again within a 30-second window of time.
- C. From the time the team is announced the protocol for entering and leaving the competition floor is expected to reflect a team environment.
- D. Actions that exhibit excessive boasting, a delay in competition, poor sportsmanship, unprofessional behavior, etc. may be penalized for by event judges. These actions may include, but are not limited to:
1. taunting another team. Taunting may be defined as the use of baiting or taunting acts and/or words that engender ill will between teams.
 2. an athlete calling unnecessary attention to themselves (i.e. high fives, chest bumps, etc.).
 3. excessive pre- or post-competition team rituals (team bonding traditions must take place behind the stage area).
 4. public displays of affection.

5. stepping outside the competition boundary to approach coaching staff, crowd members and/or other members of the audience.
6. excessive celebration (i.e. athletes wrapping their legs around coaches and/or each other, victory dances, etc.). Any prolonged, excessive, or premeditated celebration by individual athletes or a group of athletes while on the competition floor. Coaching staff, parents, fans and/or other members of the performing club entering the competition boundary before, during or after a performance (unless in direct response to an obvious athlete injury). The only people allowed on the performance floor are the competitors and competition personnel.
7. participants collapsing to the floor following a performance when an injury does not seem apparent. It will be assumed that any athlete who is not able to maintain a standing position is in need of medical attention and will be treated as such.
8. Teams will be assessed a point penalty for exhibiting unsportsmanlike, unprofessional, disrespectful and/or unsupportive behavior. The amount of the penalty will be determined by the competition officials. **NOTE:** Penalty points will be included with the Worlds score sheets that will be posted on TheCheerleadingWorlds.net by early 2024.

V. ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- A. Judges reserve the right to assess warnings and/or deductions when a team's choreography does not meet the appropriate standards.
- B. **Coverup guidelines** — Athletes with non-full top uniforms must wear t-shirts or other suitable cover ups over their uniforms unless they are in warm-up areas, traveling as a group directly to or from warmups, or on the performance stage.
- C. **Appropriate choreography** — All facets of a performance/routine, including both choreography and music selection, should be appropriate and suitable for family viewing and listening.
- D. Examples of inappropriate choreography may include, but are not limited to movements such as hip thrusting and inappropriate touching, gestures, hand/arm movements and signals, slapping, positioning of body parts and positioning to one another.
- E. Music or words unsuitable for family listening, which include, but is not limited, to swear words and/or connotations of any type of sexual act or behavior, drugs, explicit mention of specific parts of the body/torso, and/or violent acts or behavior. Removing improper language or words from a song and replacing with sound effects or other words may still constitute "inappropriate".
- F. Music or movement in which the appropriateness is questionable or with which uncertainty exists should be assumed by the coach to be inappropriate and removed as to not put their team in an unfortunate situation.
- G. **Makeup** — Makeup, if worn, should be uniform and appropriate for both the performance and the age of the athletes. Face/eyelid rhinestones are not allowed. False eyelashes are allowed but may not be decorated in rhinestones or additional jewelry.
- H. **Bows** — Bows should not be excessive in size (acceptable bows are generally no more than 4" in width) and should not be a distraction to the performance. Bows should be worn in a manner to minimize risk for the athletes, should be

adequately secured and should not fall over the forehead into the athlete's eyes, or block the view of the athlete while performing.

- I. **General uniform guidelines** — No risqué, sexually provocative or lingerie-looking or inspired uniform or garments allowed. All uniform pieces should adequately cover the athlete and must be secured to eliminate any possible wardrobe malfunction. Appropriate undergarments must be worn. In addition to the following guidelines, athletes also must consider that a combination of uniform pieces may also deem a uniform appropriate or inappropriate. ALL garments must properly cover the athlete and the athlete's undergarments during the routine.
- J. **Uniform skirt/short guideline** — When a skirt is worn as part of the uniform, briefs under the skirt are required. The skirt must fully cover the hips. The skirt must completely cover the briefs and must fall 1 inch below the briefs (regular and boy-cut briefs). When shorts are worn as part of the uniform, there must be a minimum of a 2-inch inseam.
- K. **Uniform top guidelines** — Uniform tops must be secured by straps or material over at least one shoulder or around the neck (tube tops are not allowed).
- L. Visit USASF.net for more information about Athlete Performance Standards (APS).

VI. SPOTTER POLICY ON COMPETITION FLOORS

The Cheerleading Worlds WILL provide spotters for all competition floors for ALL divisions. All teams during this time MUST use the provided spotters on the competition floor.

VII. SPOTTER POLICY IN REHEARSAL AREAS

- A. Teams must follow the level rules and have the required team member spotters in place during the execution of skills while in the rehearsal area.
- B. **USASF/Club Divisions** — The Cheerleading Worlds will have event spotters available upon request in all rehearsal areas. The Cheerleading Worlds WILL NOT require event spotters to be used in the rehearsal areas. USASF/Club division teams may choose to provide their own spotters in the rehearsal area (referred to as additional spotters), request to use The Cheerleading Worlds event spotters or elect not to use spotters in the rehearsal. The use of provided spotters or additional spotters is not mandatory and will be at the discretion of the USASF division team coach or club owner. Additional spotters must meet the requirements as listed in item VII D on page 20.
- C. **IASF Divisions** — The Cheerleading Worlds will provide spotters in the rehearsal areas, upon request, for all teams competing in the International Level 5, 6 and 7 divisions. Teams may also elect to use additional spotters. Additional spotters must meet the requirements as listed in item IV D3 below. Teams will required to confirm the request for spotters and or confirm their own spotters in the registration form.

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SPOTTER POLICY IN REHEARSAL AREAS *(continued)*

- D. Additional Spotters — Definition: Individuals on the rehearsal floor provided as a safety precaution to spot certain elements of a routine during rehearsal only.
- Additional spotters:
1. must meet the eligibility requirements to enter the warm-up room.
 2. should only be used during the stunt, pyramid, and/or basket toss sections. Additional spotters are provided by the team for added safety and should stand at the back of the floor when not spotting those sections.
 3. should not touch, assist, or save skills being performed. Additional spotters should only be used to prevent a fall to the rehearsal floor.
 4. should be dressed so that they are presentable, professional, and distinguishable from the performing athletes. Team-provided additional spotters should not wear clothing similar to the performing team's uniform.
 5. should not dress or act in a manner that distracts from the athletes and their performance.
 6. should be at least 18 years old and familiar with spotting the skills of the performing team.

NOTE: To provide the safest competitive environment, teams should not attempt skills beyond their ability level.

VIII. INTERRUPTION OF PERFORMANCE

A. Unforeseen Circumstances

If, in the opinion of the competition officials, a team's routine is interrupted because of failure of the competition equipment, facilities, or other factors attributable to the competition rather than the team, the team affected or competition officials may stop the routine. The degree and effect of the interruption will be determined by the competition officials. The competition officials will determine if the team will be allowed to perform at a later time. If decided by officials, the team will perform the routine again in its entirety, but will be evaluated **ONLY** from the point where the interruption occurred. The spot in the schedule where the re-performance is to take place is at the sole discretion of competition officials.

B. Fault of Team

In the event a team's routine is interrupted because of failure of the team's own representative, is non-injury related, equipment and/or music related, the team must continue the routine. The degree and effect of the interruption will be determined by the competition officials and a possible penalty will be assessed. The competition officials will determine if the team will be allowed to perform at a later time. If decided by officials, the team will perform the routine again in its entirety, but will be evaluated **ONLY** from the point where the interruption occurred. The spot in the schedule where the re-performance is to take place is at the sole discretion of competition officials.

C. Injury

1. The only individuals that may stop a routine for injury are:
 - a. competition officials,
 - b. the club owner/head coach from the team performing, or
 - c. an injured individual.
2. The competition officials will determine if the team will be allowed to perform at a later time. If the competition officials allow a routine to be performed at a later time, the spot in the schedule where the re-performance is to take place is at the sole discretion of competition

officials. If permitted to perform again the team must (pending the injury's impact on the routine) perform the routine again in its entirety, but will be evaluated **ONLY** from the point where the interruption occurred.

3. If a team needs to re-perform a routine but fails to do the routine in its entirety, (example: throwing a back tuck instead of the full twist thrown in the original performance) then this team may receive a penalty at the discretion of competition officials.
4. The injured athlete that wishes to perform may not return to the competition floor unless:
 - a. The competition officials receive clearance from: first, the medical personnel attending to that athlete, the parent/guardian (if present) **AND THEN** the head coach/director of the competing team.
 - b. If the medical personnel do not clear the athlete, the athlete can only return to the competition if a parent or legal guardian in attendance signs a return to participation waiver (excluding a suspected concussion).
 - c. In the event of a suspected concussion, the athlete cannot return to perform without clearance from a licensed medical professional that has training related to head injuries (medical doctor or designated official specifically trained in concussion management), even with a waiver from a parent or legal guardian.
 - d. We encourage you to be familiar with suspected concussion laws applicable in the state where the competition is being held.

IX. HOW TO HANDLE PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS

Any question concerning the rules or procedures of the tournament will be handled exclusively by one designated representative of the team (i.e. club owner/director, coach or captain) and will be directed only to a competition official. Such questions should be made prior to the team's competition performance. Any questions concerning the team's performance should be made to a competition official immediately after the team's performance.

X. INTERPRETATIONS AND RULINGS

Any interpretation of any aspect of these Rules and Regulations or any decision involving any other aspect of the tournament will be rendered by the Worlds Competition Rules Committee. The Worlds Competition Rules Committee will render a judgment in an effort to ensure that the tournament proceeds in a manner consistent with the general spirit and goals of the tournament. The Rules Committee will consist at minimum of the Tournament Director, Head Judge, the USASF Rules Committee Chair and/or a tournament official designated by the Chair. The Tournament Director may appoint additional qualified members to those listed above to be members of the Worlds Competition Rules Committee.

XI. FINALITY OF DECISIONS

By participating in this championship, each team agrees that the decisions by the judges will be final and will not be subject for review. Each team acknowledges the necessity for the judges to make prompt and fair decisions in this competition and each team therefore expressly waives any legal, equitable, administrative or procedural review of such decisions.

XII. SPORTSMANSHIP

All participants agree to conduct themselves in a manner displaying good sportsmanship throughout and following the tournament. The directors, coaches and club owners of each team are responsible for seeing that team members, coaches, parents and any other persons affiliated with the team conduct themselves accordingly. Severe cases of unsportsmanlike conduct are grounds for disqualification as explained in this document above.

XIII. DEDUCTIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

Any team in violation of The Cheerleading Worlds Rules and Regulations will be assessed a deduction for each violation. (A deduction is possible for athlete behavior violations as stated under section IV.) Any team that does not adhere to the terms and procedures of the general competition rules will be disqualified from the competition and automatically forfeit the right to any prizes or awards presented by the competition. In addition, the team may also forfeit the opportunity to participate in The Cheerleading Worlds the following year and may be responsible for repaying the entire cost of any funds received through a 2024 bid.

XIV. SCORES AND RANKINGS

Individual judges' score sheets are for the exclusive use of each particular judge. Each judge has the responsibility and authority to review and submit their final scores and rankings prior to the final tally of the scores in a particular division. Scores and rankings will be available only to club owners and coaches at the conclusion of each division.

IN THE EVENT OF A TIE

- A. All USASF Senior Club divisions will NOT break ties for teams moving to the next round or FINALS placements including Bronze, Silver, and Gold.
- B. All IASF International Open divisions will NOT break ties for FINALS placements including Bronze, Silver, and Gold.
- C. All IASF International Open divisions WILL break ties for teams moving into FINALS. In such cases, these steps will be followed until the tie is broken:

Step 1: The team with the least amount of total performance error deductions will win the tiebreaker.

Step 2: The team with the highest total score adding up the stunt/pyramid score sheet and the tumbling/jump scores will win the tiebreaker.

Step 3: Technique-only scores (does not include combination difficulty/technique categories scores such as dance) on each score sheet will be added and the highest total will win the tiebreaker.

Step 4: A panel including the head judge, competition officials, etc. will review both routines and select a winner of the tiebreaker.

XV. TOURNAMENT FACILITY

The competition is scheduled to be held at ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex. The tournament officials shall have the right to alter the time and location of the competition in the event changes become necessary due to final registration, inclement weather, facility problems or other situation deemed by the tournament officials to be essential to the success of the championship.

XVI. APPEARANCES, ENDORSEMENTS, PUBLICITY

All teams winning titles, awards or prizes agree to have all appearances, endorsements, and publicity approved through the USASF office.

XVII. USASF LOGO USAGE

Teams will not be allowed to use the USASF logo or The Cheerleading Worlds logo on items or apparel including banners, rings, bows, t-shirts, etc.

XVIII. GENERAL SAFETY RULES AND ROUTINE REQUIREMENTS

The Cheerleading Worlds follows USASF and/or IASF Cheerleading Rules and Guidelines, depending upon the division. Rules clarifications MAY be made during the season. The Cheerleading Worlds 2024 will follow the most recent posting of the USASF and IASF rules. Please refer to [USASF.net](https://www.usasf.net) or [IASFworlds.com](https://www.iasfworlds.com) for any changes.

XIX. PENALTIES

A penalty will be assessed at the discretion of competition officials to any team violating any of the specific rules as stated at [TheCheerleadingWorlds.net](https://www.thecheerleadingworlds.net). This deduction does not apply to violations mentioned above that are designated a lesser point value. If you have any questions concerning the legality of a skill, please visit [USASF.net](https://www.usasf.net) or [IASFworlds.com](https://www.iasfworlds.com).

Experience the thrill of The Cheerleading Worlds!

Since 2004 the USASF and IASF have hosted The Cheerleading Worlds exclusively at Walt Disney World® Resort. There we are able to offer the best competition experience, hotel accommodations and theme park tickets at unbeatable rates for our athletes, coaches and families. Take a look at our hotel and commuter package details below and prices on the following page.

Championship Event Experience

All competition and entry fees for athletes and coaches are included in **HOTEL** and **COMMUTER PACKAGES**. This provides premium World Championship venues, world-class judges, event staff, awards, athlete action photos, souvenir gifts and more!

Hotel Accommodations

HOTEL PACKAGE guests may choose between Disney's Coronado Springs Resort and Disney's All Star Resort. Families may choose from a variety of arrival and departure days and room occupancies during The World Championships.

Spectator Tickets

The Park Hopper® ticket included in each **HOTEL PACKAGE** covers spectator entry into all Worlds competitions. This allows you to enter and exit The Cheerleading Worlds and The Dance Worlds venues throughout the championship weekend! Those without Park Hoppers® may purchase daily tickets (cheer) or daily wristbands (dance).

Park Hopper® Tickets

A Magic Your Way ticket with Park Hopper® Option is included for each person on a **HOTEL** and **COMMUTER PACKAGE**. This ticket provides entry into the competitions and allows you to visit multiple theme parks per day so you can maximize the magic! Worlds Park Hopper® tickets also may be purchased separately.



Shuttle to Worlds-related Events

Here's another perk for those on **HOTEL PACKAGES**! We provide bus transportation to and from host hotels, competition venues and the Celebration Party.



Celebration Party

On Monday, April 29, from 9pm-midnight, Disney's Animal Kingdom® theme park will be closed for a private party exclusively for Worlds guests! Enjoy select rides and a DJ dance party. Food at select locations will be available for purchase. Celebration Party wristbands are included in **HOTEL PACKAGES**. Commuter guests, families and fans may purchase wristbands for \$55 each.



For more information or to register, visit TheCheerleadingWorlds.net | 901.231.1952

THE CHEERLEADING WORLDS® 2024



THE CHEERLEADING WORLDS

April 26-29, 2024

ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex

- A deposit of \$200 per person is due with registration.
- Final payment is due **April 18, 2024**.
- Prices include taxes and gratuities.
- Prices do not include airfare nor airport shuttle service.

	WORLDS HOTEL PACKAGE Any hotel stay between April 19–30, 2024			COMMUTER PACKAGE
	4 NIGHTS	3 NIGHTS	2 NIGHTS	\$520
WHO MAY PURCHASE:	• Athletes • Coaches • Family/Fans	• Athletes • Coaches • Family/Fans	• Athletes • Coaches • Family/Fans	• Athletes • Coaches
Athlete/Coach competition participation fee	√	√	√	√
Admission to The Cheerleading Worlds / ICU ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex	√	√	√	√
Admission to The Dance Worlds Coronado Springs Resort & Convention Center	√	√	√	√
Admission to ICU World Cheerleading Championship	√	√	√	√
Park Hopper® Ticket valid April 17-May 1, 2024	3-day	3-day	2-day	3-day
Bus transportation to/from Worlds-related events	√	√	√	Commuter packages (\$520) are for athletes and coaches who do not purchase Worlds hotel packages. Commuter packages include competition participation fees and Park Hopper® tickets.
Celebration Party April 29, 9pm-Midnight	√	√	√	
Hotel guest parking	√	√	√	
DISNEY'S ALL STAR SPORTS & MUSIC RESORTS <i>(value option)</i>				
Quad (4 per room) price per person	\$850	\$765	\$695	
Triple (3 per room) price per person	\$915	\$815	\$725	
Double (2 per room) price per person	\$1090	\$920	\$785	
Single (1 per room) price per person	\$1525	\$1255	\$1015	
Extra night per room/per night <i>first come, first served</i>	\$225	\$225	\$225	
DISNEY'S CORONADO SPRINGS RESORT <i>(moderate option)</i>				
Quad (4 per room) price per person	\$1000	\$900	\$783	
Triple (3 per room) price per person	\$1130	\$980	\$840	
Double (2 per room) price per person	\$1415	\$1175	\$945	
Single (1 per room) price per person	\$2080	\$1660	\$1290	
Extra night per room/per night <i>first come, first served</i>	\$320	\$320	\$320	
PARK HOPPER® TICKET UPGRADE FEES Upgrade the Park Hopper® Ticket included in your hotel or commuter package.	CURRENT TICKET	UPGRADE TO	ADDED FEE	
	2-day	3-day	\$90	
	3-day	4-day	\$90	
	3-day	5-day	\$151	

See Registration Instructions, pages 28-29.

DISCOUNTED PARK HOPPER®TICKETS

- Admission to all four Walt Disney World® Theme Parks. Theme park reservations required.
 - Six days admission to ESPN Wide World of Sports® Complex and admission to all Worlds competition venues.
 - Advance purchase required.
 - PARK HOPPER® tickets will NOT be sold in Orlando.
 - Deadline to order is **April 12, 2024**.
 - Park Hopper®Ticket valid April 17-May 1, 2024.
- 3-DAY PARK HOPPER® TICKET **\$459**
 4-DAY PARK HOPPER® TICKET **\$549**
 5-DAY PARK HOPPER® TICKET **\$610**

WORLDS CELEBRATION PARTY WRISTBAND \$55

WHEN: Monday, April 29 | 9pm-Midnight

WHERE: Disney's Animal Kingdom® theme park

NOTE: Worlds Celebration Party wristbands are included in Worlds hotel packages. Worlds shuttles provided for families on hotel packages. Complimentary parking for commuters with Worlds Celebration Party wristbands.

WATER PARK TICKET \$54

MEAL VOUCHER \$19

Includes one lunch or dinner entrée and beverage at select counter service restaurants. To be collected from registration in Orlando.

WORLDS COACH LANYARD WITHOUT PARK HOPPER®TICKET

- 4-day (April 26-29): **\$80**
- 8-day (April 22-29): **\$160** (suggested for coaches also attending ICU)
- Provides entry to all Worlds competition venues for commuter coaches rostered on Worlds teams.
- Does not include a Park Hopper® ticket or admission to the theme parks.
- Lanyards will be sold only to coaches from clubs participating in Worlds who:
 - are listed on a *Worlds official roster* for a team attending Worlds; and
 - meet the eligibility requirements for warm-up room access.

HOW TO PURCHASE

- Go to: TheCheerleadingWorlds.net > COACH HUB > COACH LANYARD.
- This lanyard is NOT purchased through the Worlds registration site.
- You must pre-order from USASF and collect in Orlando.
- The deadline to pre-order is Monday, **April 15, 2024**.

DAILY COMPETITION ADMISSION TICKETS

Family and friends who DO NOT purchase Worlds hotel packages or Park Hopper®Tickets may enter the competition venues with daily competition admission tickets.

THE CHEERLEADING WORLDS

\$48 daily ticket

Available for purchase online only at least a week prior to the event. Watch for more details.

THE DANCE WORLDS

\$45 daily wristband | **\$150** four-day wristband

On sale starting Wednesday, April 24, 2024 @ 9am
 Coronado Springs Resort & Convention Center-North
 Registration Desk.
 On-site purchase only.

PLEASE NOTE! Worlds Park Hopper® tickets and daily tickets/wristbands purchased through The Cheerleading Worlds and The Dance Worlds are the only valid admission options for spectators. Tickets purchased from any other source, including Walt Disney World® annual passes, **will not be considered valid admission** to the competitions.



AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

Airport transportation is not included in hotel packages. You must arrange your own transportation to and from the airport. We encourage you to plan in advance. Here's a convenient option to consider: **Mears Connect** who offers a discount to Worlds guests.

[Click here to reserve Mears Connect.](#)

PARK RESERVATIONS

- To help manage park capacity, the Walt Disney World Resort uses the Disney Park Pass service for theme park reservations. To make theme park reservations, you will need a My Disney Experiences account and valid theme park admission linked to it.
- After paying in full, expect a Worlds Registration email with a ticket confirmation order number within 7-10 business days. Create a My Disney Experience account, then choose dates and theme parks for your visit. Remember, both a reservation and valid admission for the same park on the same date are necessary for park entry.
- Reservations are limited in capacity, subject to availability and are not guaranteed until confirmed.
- Park availability is limited and USASF cannot assist with park reservations.
- **New in 2024:** Walt Disney World visitors may hop from park to park with no time restrictions. All-day park hopping access is back, allowing guests with valid park hopper tickets to freely visit any of its four theme parks at any time during normal operation hours. However, you still need a theme park reservation for the first park you plan to visit. Once you've visited that park, you can hop to another park anytime during the day without needing an additional reservation.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** The reselling or the transferring of theme park tickets in the state of Florida is a crime as described under Florida state laws; [Florida Statutes s. 817.361](#) and [Florida Statutes s. 817.36](#).

HOW TO MAKE PARK RESERVATIONS

[Booking Park Reservations Step-by-Step](#)

NOTE: A maximum of 25 persons/tickets may be managed/linked per unique My Disney Experience account.

HEALTH & SAFETY

- Please refer to [Disney's current COVID-19 health and safety protocols](#). We will continue to update information on this page as available.

SAFETY CHAMPION

- Each team, whether on a hotel travel package or commuter package, **MUST** designate one person (other than the head coach) to be the Safety Champion. This person must be at least 18 years of age and willing to participate in additional safety training from the Walt Disney World Resort prior to the event. A club bringing multiple teams must designate a different individual for each team.
- Each Safety Champion will be confirmed upon registration in Orlando. Their responsibilities will include (but are not limited to) ensuring the team's athletes, coaches and spectators follow the health and safety requirements for the event.

EARLY REGISTRATION Teams receiving bids **through** Feb. 20, 2024**DEADLINE**

- Registration items are due March 21, 2024.
- Registrations received after March 21, 2024, from teams with early registration deadlines will be held until April 11, 2024, and processed with late registrations regardless of the team's reason for withholding the registration.

CHANGES

- Changes must be requested by March 21, 2024. For changes requested after this date, a \$200 per change fee will be charged.

CANCELLATIONS

- For cancellation requests received through April 11, 2024, all monies will be refunded with the exception of the \$200 per person deposit.
- Cancellations received after April 11, 2024, will result in full forfeiture of all monies paid.

LATE REGISTRATION Teams receiving bids **after** Feb. 20, 2024**DEADLINE**

- Registration items are due by April 11, 2024.

CHANGES

- Changes must be requested by April 18, 2024. For changes requested after this date, a \$200 per change fee will be charged.

CANCELLATIONS

- Cancellation requests received after April 18, 2024, will result in full forfeiture of all monies paid.

CANCELLATIONS, REFUNDS

To cancel a team registration, **contact your Registration Specialist**, found on pages 28-29. To cancel individuals on a registration, submit a change request through your online account. Refunds on accounts with a credit balance will be issued after the event is over and in the same form of the original payment method. The average processing time for a refund is four weeks from the last day of the event.

PAYMENT POLICY

Payment may be in the form of:

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DEPOSIT

A **non-refundable** deposit of \$200 per person is due with registration. Registrations are not approved until deposits are received. Families attending with your team will not be able to register until your team registration is approved.

FULL PAYMENT

Full payment is due by **April 18, 2024**.

MAIL

Cashier's check/money orders to:

THE CHEERLEADING WORLDS REGISTRATION
711 N Front Street, Suite 100
Memphis, TN 38107

BRING

These required signed documents to the Worlds registration desk in Orlando:

- *Agreement of Compliance*, page 17-18
- Medical Release Waivers, available at TheCheerleadingWorlds.net

WORLDS TEAMS REGISTRATION

Worlds contracts with Varsity to manage registration and event logistics. You will need the following information to complete the online registration process:

- your Varsity Connect account login that you have used for previous Varsity-sponsored event registrations (If you have never registered for a Varsity-sponsored event, contact your registration specialist for a username and password.);
- each athlete's first name, last name, gender and birthdate; and
- rooming list/housing assignments (if applicable).

STEP 1: Read all information pertaining to the event – hotel package, commuter package, extra ticket pricing, etc.

STEP 2: Ensure that you have your MyVarsityAccount login information and personal data for each athlete (first and last name, gender, birthdate) and coach (first and last name, gender and email).

STEP 3: We encourage you to compile your master roster before you register. Your master roster is a list of every potential athlete or coach from your club that may attend the Worlds. This is NOT the Worlds team roster as described on page 13.

To upload your master roster, use the template provided on the Upload People page (see link below). Birthdates must be in the specified format and you must use the drop down menu on the template to assign each person's role.

It is very important that you download and use this exact spreadsheet to ensure the data loads correctly. To create your master roster, follow this link:

- <https://www.myvarsity.com/s/master-roster> > Upload People
- download instructions and the spreadsheet template. If your master roster has more than 100 people, contact your registration specialist before uploading.

STEP 4: Follow the instructions to make hotel reservations, order available extras or to upgrade your hotel package ticket. If you need additional park tickets, you must order them separately using the *Extra Ticket* link on the registration page.

STEP 5: Follow the instructions to assign your athletes and coaches to the appropriate team(s) and create a rooming list for your team (if applicable).

STEP 6: Review and submit your registration.

STEP 7: Submit your payment by:

- Mastercard or Visa. Go to My Worlds Registration > Invoice/Payment.
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WORLDS REGISTRATION SPECIALISTS

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	U-Z	Colombia, Ecuador, Chile, Mexico	LEXI HARRISON lharrison@usasf.net

FAMILY & FRIENDS REGISTRATION *Associated with Worlds teams*

Families and friends associated with Worlds teams will need the following information to complete the registration process:

- Team registration number obtained from the coach (available after team's registration and deposit has been received and approved).
- rooming list/housing assignments (if applicable).

STEP 1: Go to TheCheerleadingWorlds.net > Event Details > Registration.

STEP 2: Read all of the information pertaining to the event before you begin your registration process.

STEP 3: Follow the link to start the registration process and log in using the team registration number.

STEP 4: Follow the instructions to make hotel reservations and/or order additional tickets. If applicable, you may also assign athletes and coaches that are on the team roster to your rooming list.

STEP 5: Review and submit your registration.

STEP 6: Submit your payment by:

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FAQ

1. What is the difference between a hotel package and a commuter package?

All athletes competing at The Dance Worlds must purchase either a Worlds hotel package OR commuter package.

WORLDS HOTEL PACKAGES INCLUDE:

- any two-, three-, or four-night hotel stay between April 21-May 3, 2024;
- Magic Your Way ticket with Park Hopper® Option valid April 17-May 1, 2024;
- admission to the Worlds and ICU competitions;
- admission to the Worlds Celebration Party April 29;
- transportation to all events directly related to Worlds; and
- all taxes and gratuities.

NOTE: Prices DO NOT include airfare nor airport transportation.

COMMUTER PACKAGES INCLUDE:

- athlete|coach competition registration;
- Magic Your Way ticket with Park Hopper® Option valid April 17-May 1, 2024; and
- admission to the Worlds and ICU competitions.

NOTE: Spectators do not purchase commuter packages

2. What happens if rooms at the host hotels sell out?

In the event of a sell out before the deadline at either host hotel, the IASF will make its best effort to make arrangements with an alternate hotel.

3. What are the hotel check-in and check-out times?

Hotels guarantee check-in at 4pm. If rooms are ready in your block, the hotel may allow you to check in early. Check-out at the host hotels is 11am. Please communicate this to your entire group traveling with you.

4. How many chaperones do we need?

One club owner/coach or responsible adult (21 years of age or older) for every nine athletes is required.

5. Can we have five people in a room?

No. Disney resorts do not allow more than four people to a room. Rollaway beds are not available.

6. We have an uneven number of athletes. Can we pay the quad rate for three athletes in a room?

No. The travel package prices have been calculated according to how many people are in each room.

7. Can family and friends sign up for the Worlds hotel package?

Many coaches include parents on the hotel package with their teams. However, we encourage family members and friends to register separately. See the FAMILY & FRIENDS section on page 29.

8. What if we are NOT purchasing a Worlds hotel package?

Each coach and athlete will need to purchase a commuter package which includes competition registration and a Magic Your Way ticket with Park Hopper® Option. Spectators will simply need to purchase a Park Hopper® ticket or purchase a daily admission ticket or wristband for entry into the competitions.

9. Do athletes need Park Hopper® tickets for competition?

Yes. Each athlete will need a Worlds Park Hopper® ticket (from a Worlds hotel package or commuter package) to enter the competition venue. This will NOT be considered a theme park admission and will not use a theme park day on the Park Hopper® ticket. Park Hopper® tickets purchased for Worlds are NOT valid admission to cheer/dance venues hosted by other companies and vice versa. Additionally, athletes will need government-issued photo IDs.

10. Do coaches need Park Hopper® tickets for competition?

To enter the competition venue, each coach will need either:

- a Worlds Park Hopper® ticket (from a Worlds hotel package or commuter package); or
- a coach lanyard without Park Hopper® ticket.

Park Hopper® tickets purchased for Worlds are NOT valid admission to dance/cheer venues hosted by other companies and vice versa. Additionally, coaches will need coach ID cards to enter warm-up rooms.

11. Are Park Hopper® tickets available for family and friends not on the hotel package?

Yes, these discounted Park Hopper® tickets are available:

- 3-DAY PARK HOPPER® TICKET **\$459**
- 4-DAY PARK HOPPER® TICKET **\$549**
- 5-DAY PARK HOPPER® TICKET **\$610**

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Tickets will NOT be sold in Orlando.

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FOR YOUR HEALTH AND SAFETY

- Park Hopper® tickets must be purchased in advance and will not be sold in Orlando.
- Theme parks operate at a limited capacity and reservations are required.
- To enter a park, both a park reservation and valid admission for the same park on the same day are required.
- Pay in full early to receive ticket confirmation numbers needed to make park reservations.

12. When will we receive our Park Hopper® tickets?

After paying in full, expect a Worlds Registration email with a ticket confirmation number within 7-10 business days. You will be able to use the confirmation number to link your ticket and make park reservations.

13. Do spectators have to purchase Worlds Park Hopper® tickets in order to watch the competition?

No. Family and friends who DO NOT purchase Worlds hotel packages or Park Hopper® tickets may enter the competition venues with daily competition admission tickets or wristbands as described below.

THE CHEERLEADING WORLDS

\$48 daily ticket

Online purchase only. Sales open approximately one week prior to the event. Watch for more details.

THE DANCE WORLDS

\$45 daily wristband | **\$150** four-day wristband

On sale starting Wednesday, April 24, 2024 @ 9am

Coronado Springs Resort Convention Center-North Registration Desk

On-site purchase only.

14. What do spectators need to enter the competition venues during Worlds?

To gain access to the competition venues at The Dance Worlds or The Cheerleading Worlds event, you must possess one of the following:

- a ticket (cheer) or wristband (dance) as detailed in #13 above; or
- a Worlds Park Hopper® ticket acquired through Worlds registration.

PLEASE NOTE! Worlds Park Hopper® tickets and daily tickets/wristbands purchased through The Cheerleading Worlds and The Dance Worlds are the only valid admission options for spectators. Tickets purchased from any other source, including Walt Disney World® annual passes, **will not be considered valid admission** to the competitions.

15. I am a Walt Disney World® annual passholder. May I use this for admission to the Worlds competitions?

No. Only a Worlds Park Hopper® ticket or daily admission wristband/ticket as detailed in #13 above will provide entry into the Worlds competitions.