

USASF SANCTIONING STANDARDS

BEGINNING 2009-10

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MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS for each all star cheer competition to be USASF SANCTIONED.

- All USASF member competition event producers who produce cheer competitions must meet the following minimum standards in order for their competitions, that include all star divisions, to be sanctioned:
 - A properly equipped EMT or athletic trainer present and ready to handle emergencies.
 - \$2,000,000 in general liability insurance coverage.
 - USASF rules must be followed.
 - Only offer divisions from the approved USASF list.
 - Follow USASF logo requirements.
 - Have at least one knowledgeable safety judge onsite at the competition.
 - Provide a 42' by 54' performance floor matted with a minimum 1 3/8 inch carpet bonded foam with panels joined by 4" tape. The performance floor will have a 2 foot border before any drop off or obstruction.
 - A 42' by 54' by 1 3/8 inch carpet bonded foam matted practice area.
 - An unobstructed ceiling height of 20' over the performance floor.
 - If performance or practice areas are outdoors, provide suitable foul weather alternatives.
 - Provide a method of cleaning performance and practice mats of bodily fluids.
- The specific floor construction (for example: steel spring, air, or none) and ceiling height over the performance area must be disclosed to all competitors before the competition.
- Event producers accepted for USASF membership after June 1, 2009 must be in business successfully conducting competitions for 3 years before they will be approved to hold USASF sanctioned competitions.
- The USASF Sanctioning Compliance Committee will oversee all reported sanctioning violations.

5 STAR REQUIREMENTS

(in addition to base USASF requirements)

- Must be a Tier 1 Worlds qualifying event.
- A minimum of 125 allstar cheer teams.
- A minimum of 5 year history for the specific event
- 2 performances (prelims and finals acceptable).
- A 54' by 42' flat performance area spring floor, a 54' X 42' 1 3/8 "carpet bonded foam warm up floor, and a double wide spring tumble strip.
- If the performance floor is on an entirely built stage, the stage height must not exceed 4' high and must have a minimum 4' border, including any slope, from the 54'X42' flat performance floor,
- Minimum arena, hotel resort, or convention center venue. High school and below venues do not qualify.
- All coaches of level 5 teams must be USASF credentialed and carry a USASF issued ID card. International teams are exempted until further notice.
- Event champion team member awards.
- Mandatory division consolidation to create competition in divisions with only one team – small and large. *Exception – no consolidation required if consolidation will force teams from the same gym to compete against one another. Other exceptions to follow.*

4 STAR REQUIREMENTS

(in addition to base USASF Requirements)

- Must have a minimum of 100 or more allstar cheer teams.
- A minimum 3 year history for the specific event
- 2 performances (prelims and finals acceptable).
- A 54' by 42' flat performance area spring floor, a 54' X 42' 1 3/8 "carpet bonded foam warm up floor, and a double wide spring tumble strip.
- If the performance floor is on an entirely built stage, the stage height must not exceed 4' high and must have a minimum 4' border, including any slope, from the 54'X42' flat performance floor,
- Minimum arena, hotel resort, or convention center venue. High school and below venues do not qualify.
- Mandatory division consolidation to create competition in divisions with only one team – small and large. *Exception – no consolidation required if consolidation will force teams from the same gym to compete against one another. Other exceptions to follow.*

3 STAR REQUIREMENTS

(in addition to base USASF Requirements)

- Must have a minimum 75 or more allstar cheer teams.
- A minimum 3 year history for the specific event
- 1 performance, 1 day minimum.
- A 54' by 42' flat performance area spring floor, suitable warm up floors, and a double wide spring tumble strip.
- If the performance floor is on an entirely built stage, the stage height must not exceed 4' high and must have a minimum 4' border, including any slope, from the 54'X42' flat performance floor,
- Mandatory division consolidation to create competition in divisions with only one team – small and large. *Exception – no consolidation required if consolidation will force teams from the same gym to compete against one another. Other exceptions to follow.*



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