

NOV. 19, 2022

CAA CENTER

7575 KENNEDY ROAD, BRAMPTON, ONT.

AWARDS

- + Placement Banners
- + Custom event medals
- + Judges Choice Banners
- + 1 bid to Cheerfest Montreal
- + 1 bid to CheerExpo
- + Best Fans in the Stands Banner
- + An **Open Championship** Series Qualifier Event

COACHES VIP ROOM

Located outside of the arena, on the main level near the entrance. There will be complimentary snacks and beverages for coaches. Only those wearing a coach's bracelet will be granted access

Educational Opportunities will also be offered

ATHLETE ENTRANCE + DESIGNATED AREA

Athletes are to enter at the front entrance of the building – follow the directional signage at the venue.

There is no designated seating for athletes. Please note we are not responsible to supervise your personal effects.



PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

TEAM REGISTRATION & WARM-UP ROOM ROTATION

Coaches are asked to <u>check in at least 30 minutes prior to your warm-up check-in-time.</u>

At the team registration desk, you will sign-off on the team rosters and receive the final schedule for the day.

ATHLETE & COACH WRISTBANDS

Athlete and Coaches wristbands will be mailed out to your clubs the week of November 7th if all team paperwork is completed and received.

Each team is entitled to TWO coaches / chaperones to accompany the team, but they must be pre-registered with their team. Additional Coaches bracelets can be purchased ahead of time at a cost of \$35. Spectators cannot purchase a coach bracelet.

Clubs entering <u>specialty divisions</u> should ensure that their coaches are covered in their club's team registrations.

Athletes and coaches will need to have their admittance **bracelets on** before entering the competition venue as well as the athlete only section and warm-up areas.

Please note that it is up to clubs to arrange distribution of bracelets to their athletes. If you opt not to receive your bracelets in advance, you will need to assign a person to distribute the bracelets outside of the venue.

SPECTATOR TICKETS

Spectator tickets will be sold at the venue ticket office.

PRICES

Adult (13 years and +): \$20

6 to 12 years and 65 years +: \$15

5 years and less: free

Doors open for spectators 1 hour prior to competition start time.

EQUIPMENT

There will be a fully sprung competition sized (54x42) cheerleading floor with 9 strips. The warm-up room will also have a one fully sprung competition (54x42) sized floor with 9 strips and a sprung tumbling strip (12x60).

SPOTTERS

Spotters are not provided at the event. If a team wishes to provide their own spotters, they must ensure that they are wearing a plain white or black t-shirt to differentiate them from the performing athletes, and they must have an admittance bracelet.

FIRST AID

There will be a team of qualified first-aid responders on site.

Taping is not provided.

WATER

There will be NO water stations available. Athletes must bring their own water bottles.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION Cont'd

MUSIC - PROCEDURE TO SUBMIT MUSIC IN ADVANCE

Please email your music files to <u>info@expofest.ca</u> by **November 10th, 2022.** Prior to sending, please RENAME your music file with your team number (located in the left column on the schedule), your program name and team name. Example:

1 ABC Cheer Gym Teamname.mp3

Note that the team number IS <u>NOT</u> the number of athletes on your team. It is your performance number that we have assigned you. These music files will be arranged in a playlist to ensure the correct music plays for your team on the competition floor. We will test the file to ensure its' compatibility with our system prior to the event to help prevent any music mishaps onsite. If you send in your music, you will not be required to have a coach present at the music station during the performance.

Once called onto the floor the music will play once your team appears to be set. If you have any special instructions, please include them in the email with your music file. Your music will not be shared, and all music will be deleted from our files once the event is over.

Should the schedule change, your performance number will remain the same.

Coaches who do not provide their music in advance are responsible for bringing their music to the DJ booth before their team's performance and bring any adaptors that may be required (Ipod connection, Iphone connection, USB-C connection, etc.). We recommend that teams have at least 2 copies of their music. Expofest Productions will not be held responsible for any technical problems (i.e. malfunction of cell phone, CD, cords/wires/adaptors, USB key, sending of incorrect music).

PROFESSIONAL VIDEO

The event will be filmed by HFT Communications and performances will be available FREE OF CHARGE courtesy of Expofest Productions on the following website: https://sapphireproductions.smugmug.com

HFT and Expofest Productions have exclusive rights over the videotaping of the event. It is prohibited to videotape performances for resale or distribution.



VENUE

LOCATION: CAA CENTER 7575 Kenned Road South Brampton, Ontario

There are plenty of free parking spaces available at the facility

FOOD & VENDORS

There is an on-site restaurant at the venue. There will also be vendors set up on site to sell athletic apparel, event shirts, and other items. It's always wise to have CASH on hand since most only accept this method of payment.

BEST FANS IN THE STANDS CONTEST

We are encouraging all programs and their fans to have fun at this event. We are looking for the craziest fans...dressed up, dyed hair, make up/wigs, costumes, cheering loud, signs, dancing, etc. NO NOISE MAKERS please (cow bells, air horns, etc). Fans will be watched throughout the event, in the stands, etc. by all staff to determine the winning program. Programs with fans showing poor sportsmanship will not be considered. The winning program will receive a huge banner and bragging rights ©

PUBLIC HEALTH REGULATIONS

We will follow all public health regulations in place at the time of the event.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION Cont'd

JUDGING / SCORE SHEETS

Judges will evaluate according to the IASF technical rules and Cheer Canada scoring system. A computerized scoring system will be used.

Routine Review:

You can view the video of your team's performance at the score check area.

Only the legality and deduction sheet may be examined during the verification. All other scores are compared to teams in your division and do not have a formula for a particular score or scale.

Once the documents are available, coaches will have 10 minutes to collect, review and challenge legalities or deductions if necessary. Coaches cannot request a review without completing / submitting the Request for Review form (GREEN form).

If the coach wants to challenge deductions or legalities, here are the steps to follow:

- Complete a Review Request Form (GREEN) and remit it to the Review Judge.
 (Please note that if you have requested a verification of penalties, your entire routine could be reviewed, and this could result in new deductions).
- Coaches, a maximum two per team, will be called by the reviewing judge to discuss the review request and will have a maximum of four minutes to do so.

Reminder: coaches and judges must remain calm and respectful at all times. The official may grant a deduction for unsportsmanlike conduct to the team in question or the team may be disqualified.

At the end of four minutes, the reviewing judge will make the final decision on the review. If the revision results in a change in score, the new score sheets will be given to the coaches.

Coaches CANNOT request a review of a competing team or a team that is not theirs.

The IASF rules and Cheer Canada scoring system will be available at the Review table for you to consult, and a TV with a video review. Coaches cannot monopolize this video system.

RESULTS

Completed/Full score sheets will be sent to clubs by email following the awards and the results will be posted on the website

