

MASCOT CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY RULES AND INFO

Divisions

1. Open Mascot School Division
2. Open Mascot College Division

The competition is open to all officially recognized mascots from all schools, colleges, & universities.

2019 MASCOT CHAMPIONSHIP MASCOT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The competition is open to all officially recognized mascots.
2. Each mascot will perform a 1 minute and 30 second skit to music.
3. Mascots will have 1 minute to set up and 1 minute to take down their set.
4. If a mascot exceeds either time limit, a penalty will be assessed for each violation. Three (3) point deduction for 1-5 seconds over, Five (5) point deduction for 6-10 seconds over and Seven (7) point deduction for 11 seconds and over.
5. Mascots may have TWO assistants to set up and take down props, but you may not use live assistance in your skit. The assistants must be appropriately dressed in their school's spirit program t-shirts and / or warmups.
6. Specific Rules for props:
 - a. Mascots are limited to no more than 7 props.
 - b. The bottom of all props, flats and scenery must be padded or taped.
 - c. Props should be constructed so that they may easily be carried or moved to the performance area.
 - d. All equipment tips on batons, prop rifles, flagpoles, and prop sabres must be padded or taped.
 - e. Clapping hands or poms are considered one prop.
 - f. If any part of your uniform / costume is taken off it must be immediately put down. If you use it in your skit it becomes one of your props.
8. The use of mini-tramps and/ or spring boards is prohibited.
9. Tumbling or flipping skills will NOT be allowed off of a prop or over a prop.
10. No pyrotechnics, discharge of arms, pressurized canisters, dangerous materials, flammable liquids or animals will be permitted in or around the performance area.
11. Electrical (plug-in or battery operated) or compressed air apparatuses, including lights, lasers, and flash cubes (electrical or chemical) will not be allowed.
12. Smoke machines will not be allowed.
13. The use of powder, dirt or any other airborne substance that lingers in the competition area shall be strictly prohibited.
14. Balloons, confetti, dry ice, waterguns, motorized devices, fire extinguishers or noise making devices will not be allowed.
15. Skits should represent good sportsmanship with competing mascots.
16. Mascots are responsible for transporting props to and from the competition venue.
17. Any violation of the specific Rules and Regulations will result in a 10 point deduction.

SPECIFIC MUSIC GUIDELINES

1. I have read and understand the USA Cheer Music Copyrights Educational Initiative and all sound recordings used in our mascot's music shall only be used with written license from the owners(s) of the sound recordings.
2. Mascots must be able to provide proof of licensing, in the form of a printed copy, during registration.
3. If a mascot does not have required paperwork, they will be given the option to count the routine verbally or perform to an approved track of music or a track with counts (Provided by the competition host)
4. If there are concerns regarding a certain mascot's use of music, a Challenge Form must be completed immediately following the team's performance.
5. A challenge can only be made by the official coach of a mascot competing at the event at which the challenge is being made.
6. **Challenge Process**
 - a) All music challenges must be submitted in writing to the event director.
 - b) There will be \$100 fee to request a music challenge and must be in the form of a check made out to After School All Stars.
 - c) Fees collected will be voided if challenge is correct.
 - d) If the mascot challenged can provide documentation during the event and can be verified, the fees will be donated to After School All Stars.
 - e) If the team challenged can provide documentation that requires further review, a decision will be finalized within 48 hours of the event.
7. Each mascot is required to have a responsible adult remain at the music station that knows the routine and music. This representative is responsible for starting the music and stopping the music in case of technical malfunction or injury.
8. We also prohibits the use of suggestive, offensive, or vulgar themes that are inappropriate for family audiences.

SAMPLE OF JUDGING SCORE SHEET

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| Crowd Appeal & Crowd Interaction | 25 points |
| Creativity | 20 points |
| Animation / Enthusiasm | 20 points |
| Prop Usage | 20 points |
| Overall Impression | 15 points |