



CANADIAN
CHEER COMPANY

Specialty Divisions:

Traditional specialty routine with 1 athlete (individual) or 2-3 athletes (duo/trio) encompassing jumps, dance and tumbling elements.

Divisions: All age divisions and levels as per Cheer Canada age grid. Event may combine similar age divisions to facilitate competition.

Individual (1 athlete)

Duo/Trio (2 or 3 athletes)

Routine Parameters:

1 minute

Video Parameters:

No editing of videos is permitted, they must be filmed in a single take.

Edited videos will be disqualified. Please avoid counting or verbal cueing if you are filming, as voices may be inadvertently amplified on the video.

Score Sheet:

https://cheercanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/CC_IndyDuoTrio_ScoreSheet_20.pdf

Skill Sequences:

A response to Covid-19 uncertainty and its effect on the training season. Skill sequences will focus on evaluating only specific sections of the score sheet to allow teams to focus their training on the skill sets permitted in their jurisdiction or where they are in their training schedule.

Skill Sequence Categories:

Jumps

Dance

Tumbling (Standing and Running combined)

Stunt Sequences (including baskets)

Pyramid Sequence

Divisions:

Based on IASF Levels (Scholastic teams may choose to enter according to the IASF rules).
All skill sequence divisions have a minimum requirement of 5 athletes.

Jumps	Division by Age	U6/U8, U12, U17, U19/Open	All teams in the age category, regardless of level compete together
Dance	Division by Age	U6/U8*, U12, U17, U19/Open*	All teams in the age category, regardless of level compete together
Tumbling	Division by Level & Age	U6/U8*, U12, U17, U19/Open*	Teams compete according to age and level
Stunt	Division by Level & Age	U6/U8*, U12, U17, U19/Open*	Teams compete according to age and level
Pyramid	Division by Level & Age	U6/U8*, U12, U17, U19/Open*	Teams compete according to age and level

*Denotes divisions where two age ranges are combined to facilitate competition.

Prep and Novice teams are welcome, they will be adjudicated in a separate category. Prep Level 1 and 2 teams may be combined for some categories (dance and jumps).

NOTE: Due to the ever changing reality of navigating a pandemic, some age categories may be blended according to level for Tumbling, Stunt and Pyramids to facilitate competition. Each situation will be dependent upon event registration.

Crossovers:

Crossovers are permitted. For skill section entries athletes may only enter within two adjacent levels (IE routine is level 2, skill section could be level 1 or level 3). Our goal is to facilitate competitive solutions, coaches are encouraged to email marcy@canadiancheer.com for special case scenarios. Substitutions due to injury or unforeseen absence are permitted, up to 2 athletes that do not meet the “adjacent level” guidelines may be substituted per entry. Please note that the “two adjacent levels” guideline does NOT apply to Dance or Jump skill sequences.

Routine Parameters:

Jump Sequence	30 seconds	Jump - Difficulty & Execution, Formations/Transitions, Overall Impression
Dance Sequence	30 seconds	Dance, Overall Impression
Tumbling Sequence	Up to 1 minute	Standing - Difficulty, Running - Difficulty, Tumbling Execution, Formations/Transitions, Overall Impression
Stunt Sequence	Up to 1 minute	Stunt - Difficulty & Execution, Building Creativity, Overall Impression

Pyramid Sequence	Up to 1 minute	Pyramid - Difficulty & Execution, Building Creativity, Overall Impression
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Video Parameters:

Please avoid counting or verbal cueing if you are filming, as voices may be inadvertently amplified on the video.

No editing of videos is permitted, they must be filmed in a single take.

Edited videos will be disqualified.

Skill sequences must NOT be the same video as submitted for the Routine portion. You MAY use the same routine and select only the jump sequence, but it must be filmed again. If restrictions in your area prevent you from following these guidelines, please email marcy@canadiancheer.com for additional guidance.

Please understand that there is expected variance between your routine scores and your sequence scores. They are judged independently.

Score Sheet:

Refer to the applicable section on the Cheer Canada All Star Score Sheet:

https://cheercanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/CC_AllStar_ScoreSheet_20.pdf

Virtual Routine Submission

Routines or sections may be filmed at any time for video submission. With the ever changing restrictions in each geographical area, and the rapid timing of these changes, Canadian Cheer feels that it is in the best interest of the team to allow filming to happen at any point in the 2020/2021 season.

The videos are submitted to Canadian Cheer who creates a digital event order for the judges. Adjudication will occur on our regular computerized scoring system, with judges connecting virtually to discuss scoring considerations.

On the day of the event, the videos will be edited into show order with integration between our M.C.'s, our social media team and fun extras supplied by the team themselves. The awards will be streamed after the show, and award prizes will be shipped to the gym's for team celebrations (socially distanced of course!).

Divisions:

Teams may enter full routine (including stunts, tosses and pyramids) or non-building divisions for the routines. All age grid and levels offered by Cheer Canada will be available. To facilitate competition the event producer may combine age divisions within levels, when possible and/or needed.

Non-building teams are encouraged to simply mark their stunt, pyramid and/or tosses if this suits your team's training goals. Marking these portions will not be considered in the evaluation of Formations/Transitions or Overall Impression. Registration staff will confirm closer to the event if your team intends to execute building elements, teams may be separated into building or non-building divisions as required.

VIRTUAL EVENT FAQ

Why aren't you requiring teams film live or use an app that ensures each team can only film once?

All of us are new to the concept of virtual events, and with the stress and ever changing reality of navigating the pandemic our goal was to provide a solution that manages the additional stress that filming can place on coaches, gym owners, athletes and families. By not requiring live video submissions or apps we hope to reduce the stress incurred by internet or technology malfunction, allow teams some buffer time during the filming window to adjust to any unforeseen absences due to illness, and to find their new "normal" in creating a competition experience in their own gym.

How can we watch the competition?

Canadian Cheer will host a streamed video competition on the day of the event. A performance order will be issued, an MC will announce each video and awards will be scheduled throughout the day. Interactive social media games, polls and fun will be included.

Is there a cost to watch the video stream?

Yes, there is a 'spectator fee' per device/login. The cost may vary according to the event but generally we are anticipating a price of \$5.99 per viewing device/login, exact details to be confirmed when the streaming service parameters are solidified. You can choose to watch it as a family at home on the smart tv, watch it individually on your phone, or when guidelines allow, gather with your team to watch together.

What about our team video after the streaming? Will it still be available to share with friends and family?

The event stream, showcasing teams by division with fun extras and awards will only be available to ticket holders. After the live stream, the show will be available for 6 months on the same platform.

How do we get our awards if we win?

Prizing will be sent to the gym immediately after the event. The coach/gym admin will provide instructions on how and when to pick up your event award.

Will there be live events this season?

We hope so, but we truly don't know what the future holds for this season. Canadian Cheer will stay in constant communication with our gym owners/administrators and update them with live event statuses as the season progresses. Currently it is difficult to even estimate the likelihood as venues, regions and local authorities are still navigating the pandemic and creating/updating their recommendations rapidly.

Will there be event merchandise?

Our apparel partner is working on apparel and delivery logistics to suit the virtual event reality. Stay tuned to our social media for updates as we get closer to events.

What happens if our region closes during the filming period?

Teams can opt to push their registration to any virtual event this season. If none of the virtual events work with the reality of your region's closure status, then a full refund will be issued for team registration.

Coaches - Virtual Event How To:

Step 1: Registering your team.

- Enter your team in either Routine or Skill Sequence on our online registration system....or both!

Step 2: Filming

- Ensure the entire floor can be seen from your video angle. Avoid directly overhead angles as it may inhibit the judges ability to see the athlete's faces.
- Film routine start to finish including the athlete run on and set up for the routine. Ensure you keep filming for at least 3 seconds after the last movement.

Step 4: Submitting the Video

- Details will be sent to gym admin on how to submit. Be sure to submit by the specific timeline for the event.
- Wait for your video upload confirmation. Details on how this will be sent will be provided to gym admin.

Step 5: Competition Day

- Let your athletes and families know what time they will be competing. Performance Orders will be posted on our website and emailed to gym admin.
- Login to the streaming service and enjoy the show! Details regarding the streaming service will be updated shortly.
- Team's who receive an Award for their placement will have their prizing shipped to the gym.

FAQ for Coaches:

Do coaches have to pay for an account to watch the event stream?

Each program will receive one complimentary login.

When will the awards arrive?

Canadian Cheer will ship the awards to the gym to arrive shortly after the event.

How will Score Check work?

This season all teams and divisions are moving to a comparative scoring system that only utilizes Score Check for point deductions and safety rule infractions. Teams will receive an email to their gym admin on a designated date several days before the official event streaming. The email will include the deduction sheet for the team, and a chance to set up a review time with a Score Check official through online video. This review process will happen BEFORE the event date.

What if I can't video all panels of the floor at once?

Judges are only able to evaluate what they can clearly see. Changing angles during the routine may affect the quality of the judging and the viewing experience for athletes and spectators. We understand that everyone's situation is different, and we will endeavour to work with each gym to find a solution that works for them. The video MUST be a single full clip without editing.

What if I have to substitute an athlete last minute?

Canadian Cheer understands that this will be an unusual season. Three things to remember if you have to substitute an athlete:

1. We must have the waiver on file BEFORE the filming. It's available on our website under forms.
2. Ensure the athlete is age eligible for your division.
3. Send Marley@canadiancheer.com an email letting her know about the adjustment.

Where can I find the specific dates for the event we are attending?

Select Event Details - Schedule for the event you are attending. Ensure you take note of the following dates/timelines:

- Registration Deadline
- Video Submission Deadline
- Score Check - Virtual Check In (when score check is sent out and the response deadline)

What do I need to know about recording the video?

Check out Video Parameters in the sections above or in the Divisions section on the website.