

TABLED agenda items



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During the April 15, 2009 MAC meeting, the following agenda items were tabled for further discussion by the Executive:

- Crossover athletes participating on Open 18+ teams
- Competition format
- Score sheets
- Removing the actual cheering requirement from Cheer Routine
- Safety Judges' affiliation with teams
- Age Limits for Divisions
- Under age athletes participating on 18+ teams

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Crossover athletes participating on Open 18+ teams

MAC has decided to allow athletes to compete in different categories within the same division, providing they are competing under the same banner (with the same club). This means that Sally can compete on the City All-Stars team in the All-Girl Cheer category and the City All-Stars team in the Co-Ed Cheer category, but she cannot compete with different clubs, such as City All-Stars and Extreme Cheer.

Competition Format

MAC has decided that the overall competition format will remain the same; however changes will be made to improve the transition between the school team departures and the open team arrivals.

Score Sheets

Are currently being revised and redesigned.

Cheer Requirement

It was suggested that cheering no longer be a scoring requirement in the Cheer category. MAC has decided that cheering will remain a scoring requirement in the Cheer category for the 2009-2010 season.

Coaches are reminded that the cheer component does not require the team to actually stop the routine and cheer. In fact, choreographers are encouraged to incorporate cheering into the music during their routine to meet the cheer requirement and earn points.

Safety Judges

None of MAC's judges coach or participate on teams competing in the division they are responsible for judging. Manitoba as a small cheerleading community and qualified judges are sometimes affiliated with various teams through past participation or friendships; however MAC does review the score sheets to ensure no bias occurs.

Age Limits for Categories

MAC has revised the age categories for some divisions. Please refer to the 2009-2010 Rules & Regulations for details when registering teams.

Athletes on Open 18+ Teams

To ensure that we are working within our insurance policy, MAC has decided that athletes competing on 18+ teams must be 18 years of age prior to the first MAC sanctioned competition of the year. No exceptions will be made.

IN ADDITION

- ▶ MAC has increased the number of athletes allowed on the cheer surface during a performance to 36.
- ▶ Please note when registering for the 2009-2010 season that category names have changed:

Pee Wee	now →	Mini
Youth	now →	Junior
Varsity	now →	Senior