



Scholastic Cheer Division List

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DIVISION LIST NOTES

The Cheer Canada Division List and Age Grid is based on the ICU Division Lists, with a few differences based on unique circumstances in Canada. Please find below a list of the divisions to be available in Canada for the 2020-2021 Competitive Season. PSO's shall have the ability to make exceptions to the Scholastic Grid in order to best meet the needs of their province. The intent of this is to assist programs who cannot field a team in the current grid.

**** Cheer Canada encourages all teams competing outside of Canada to consult with the appropriate event producers and governing authorities to ensure their team size and composition meets event specific requirements. ****

DIVISION SPLIT SUGGESTIONS

Minimum and maximum number of team members are displayed in the grid below. Cheer Canada recommends to split the divisions equally so there will be fifty percent of the teams in each division. Where applicable, Cheer Canada suggests divisions be split by the following team sizes:

School:

- Small: 5 to 15 members
- Large: 16 to 30 members

Collegiate:

- Small: 5 to 18 members
- Large: 19 to 36 members

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GRADES	ICU LEVELS	GENDER	# ON TEAM
Primary (1-4)	Beginner, Novice	All Gender	5-30
Elementary (4-6)	Novice, Intermediate	All Gender	5-30
Junior High (6-9)	Novice, Intermediate, Median	All Gender	5-30
Combined (7-12)*	Intermediate, Median	All Gender	5-30
Senior High (9-12)	Intermediate Median School Advanced School Advanced NT Game Day	All Gender All Gender All Girl, All Gender All Gender (max. 2 males) All Gender	5-30
CEGEP / Community College / Polytechnic (Institutions that only offer 1-2 Year Programs)	School Advanced Premier Game Day	All Girl, Small Coed, Large Coed All Girl, Small Coed, Large Coed All Gender	5-36
University / Degree Institutions (Institutions that only offer 3-4+ Year Programs)	School Advanced Premier Game Day	All Girl, Small Coed, Large Coed All Girl, Small Coed, Large Coed All Gender	5-36

*Please note this division is ineligible to attend the ICU World School Cheerleading Championships.



TIME LIMIT

School (Grades 1-12) Cheerleading Team Cheer Routine:

1. Cheer Portion: Can be placed in the beginning or middle of routine.
2. Music total: Music cannot be longer than one minute, thirty seconds (1:30) total.
3. Routine total: Two minutes, thirty seconds (2:30) maximum. There should be no space between the Cheer and Music portions.

Post-Secondary Cheerleading Team Cheer Routine:

1. Cheer Portion: Can be placed in the beginning or middle of routine. Must be a minimum of thirty seconds (0:30) in length.
2. Maximum time between Cheer and Music portion: Twenty seconds (0:20)
3. Music total: Music cannot be longer than two minutes, thirty seconds (2:30) total.

*Please note that the total routine time will vary based on the length of the cheer, the time utilized between the cheer and the music portion and the duration of the music portion.

Game Day:

1. Each element: Average thirty seconds (:30) to one minute (1:00) each, with breaks in between each element.
2. Routine total: Three minutes (3:00) maximum.

GENDER

School:

All Girl = No males on the team

All Gender = A minimum of 1 male on the team

Collegiate:

All Girl = No males on the team

Small Coed = A minimum of 1 male and a maximum of 4 males on the team

Large Coed = A minimum of 5 males on the team

IMAGE POLICY

All teams must comply with Cheer Canada's Image Policy and the Scholastic Appearance Policy found in the rules.

CROSSOVERS

- An individual athlete might not be permitted to crossover from one scholastic program to another, from one scholastic team to another within the same program or from a scholastic program to an all- star team based on the policies that may be in effect. Consult your Provincial Sport Organization and athletic association as restrictions may vary province to province.
- All teams competing for bids to year end competitions should ensure they are following all rules related to bid eligibility and crossovers.

UNPLANNED ATHLETE REPLACEMENT

- If the replacement does not meet the grade requirements for that division then the team's performance will be for exhibition only.