

Sanction Competition Host “Game Day” Planning Checklist

Game Day: Using cues from the competition announcer, teams will perform a Time Out Cheer, a Band Chant, and Sideline Cheer. Squads will respond to the announcers cues, as heard at football games, and should use effective crowd-leading and spirit-raising techniques. Every team will follow the same order: Band Dance, Crowd Leading, and then Fight Song.

Judging Panel: A total of four (4) Spirit Officials will be needed to judge the Game Day portion of the competition.

- Two (2) Spirit Officials will judge the Crowd Leading section
- Two (2) Spirit Officials will judge the Band and Fight Song section

Announcer: The competition announcer will call the performing team onto the performing Mats.

- The team will take the floor and set for their Band Dance performance (approximately 1:00 in length)
- Situation elements will be the transition between Band Dance and Cheer (crowd leading) sections.
 - After the Band Dance performance, the announcer will announce a Game Day football situation. Teams will not be aware of the game day situation prior to the performance.
- At the conclusion of the Cheer section, the team will set for the Fight Song portion of the competition.

Note: It is important that the announcer have access to a PA system loud enough for the entire performing team to hear the Game Day situation element. Situations written into the performance script should be handed to the announcer prior to the start of the competition. This should be done and completed before competition. Repeating situation elements throughout the day is allowed. When requesting judges, please make sure Leo Jaramillo is aware if “Game Day” is being offered at your event to ensure the four Spirit Officials are in scheduled to judge the competition.

Score Sheets: Score sheets are available on the NMAA website - <http://www.nmact.org/spirit>

Game Day Guidelines: For more information regarding Game Day, please visit the NMAA cheer guidelines page at http://www.nmact.org/file/Cheer_Guidelines.pdf
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