



The Summit proud to partner with Varsity All Star International Brands as well as other International Event Partners to bring International Divisions to The Summit, allowing teams from select countries to end their season competing with top teams from around the globe. In the third year of offering these divisions, Varsity All Star is committed to producing a prestigious, competitive and unforgettable end of the year all level experience for the International community.

Here are some things to know before you qualify.

### **What International Divisions are offer at The Summit?**

Level	Division	Age	Female/Male	Participants
Level 1	International Junior	10 – 16 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 1	International Senior	14 – 18 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 2	International Junior	10 – 16 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 2	International Senior	14 – 18 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 3	International Junior	10 – 16 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 3	International Senior	14 – 18 Years Old	Female	16 – 24
Level 3	International Senior Coed	14 – 18 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 4	International Junior	10 – 16 Years Old	Female	16 – 24
Level 4	International Junior Coed	10 – 16 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 4	International Senior	14 – 18 Years Old	Female	16 – 24
Level 4	International Senior Coed	14 – 18 Years Old	Female/Male	16 – 24
Level 4	International Open	14 & Older	Female	16 – 24
Leve 4	International Open Coed	14 & Older	Female/Male	16 – 24

### **Who is eligible to compete in the International Divisions at The Summit?**

Any team that competes AND receives a bid in one of the above divisions to The Summit at a qualifying event. At qualifying events, a team must have a minimum of 16 athletes to be considered eligible for bids. (Teams with extenuating circumstances will still be allowed to compete at the qualifying event but WILL NOT be bid eligible). Teams must be in good standing with the USASF/IASF & Varsity Spirit.

### **Are D2 Programs eligible to compete in the International Divisions at The Summit?**

Yes. D2 Programs can compete in the International Divisions at The Summit. International Divisions are not D1/D2 eligible, therefore if a D2 program earns a Summit Bid in the International Divisions, their D1/D2 status is not affected. Athletes that compete in the



International Divisions will only be allowed to compete with ONE team at The D2 Summit. Please see the crossover rules for additional clarification.

**Are their D2 International Divisions at The Summit?**

No. International Divisions do not split between D1 & D2.

**Where can teams qualify for a bid to The Summit?**

View the International Division Summit Bid Event Listing [HERE!](#)

**Are International teams eligible to earn Summit Bids at US events?**

Canadian teams are the only non-US teams allowed to receive bids from Varsity All Star events in the United States. All other International teams will be eligible to receive bids from designated Varsity All Star International Events & partner events.

**What scoring will be used for Varsity All Star qualifying events?**

Teams competing in the International Divisions will be scored on the standard Varsity All Star Score Sheet. Categories will be reweighted to more accurately reflect the emphasis of the International Score Sheet.

**What scoring will be used for International qualifying events?**

Please contact your International Event Producer for more information on their scoring system.

**How are bids awarded?**

Bids awarded at a US event will be given based on the International Bid Declaration. Each International Event Producer may award bids at their discretion at qualifying bid events. Please contact the qualifying Event Producer for specific details on how their bids are awarded.

**What types of bids are given to The Summit?**

At-Large Bids:

At-Large Bids teams will compete in the Semi-Finals Round held on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Walt Disney World® Resort. At-Large teams will compete for their chance to advance to the Final Round held on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. At-Large Bid winners must pay the full balance to compete.

PAID Bids:

PAID Bids teams will compete in the Semi-Finals Round held on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Walt Disney World® Resort. PAID bid teams will compete for their chance to advance to the Final Round held on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.



A credit will be given to each athlete earning a PAID bid to The Summit Championship on the Travel Package. No credits may be used for family members or for additional tickets. If a team chooses the Quad 3 night package, the athlete will receive a smaller credit. If a Paid Bid team chooses not to stay on property then they will receive the “Commuter Paid Bid” package for free. \*If additional athletes are added to the roster after the PAID bid was earned, the gym is responsible for the full cost of the additional athletes.

### **Are you allowed to add or replace athletes on the Bid winning team?**

You may compete with more or less athletes on the floor than what you qualify with as long as it keeps you in the same division. Athletes may be added or replaced as long as the athlete remains eligible for the division that the bid was received. Bids may not be exchanged for another divisions.

\*Example:

- A team of 16 competes and receives a bid, they can only add or replace 4 athletes to compete at The Summit.
- A team of 22 competes and receives a bid, they can only replace (not add) 6 athletes (5.5% will be rounded up) to compete at The Summit.
- A team of 18 competes and receives a bid. They can replace 5, or add 4, or replace 3 and add 2, etc.) – This team cannot compete with more than 22 athletes on the mat or with more than 5 of their original roster replaced to stay in the Small division.

\*If additional athletes are added to the roster after the PAID bid was earned, the gym is responsible for the full cost of the additional athletes.

All athletes participating on a team at The 2020 Summits must be a registered member of that team’s program during the 2019-2020 competition season. Any athlete that has exhibited or competed on the floor with a team in any level from a program (Primary Program) during The Summit competition season (November 1, 2019 – May 1, 2020) will have to have a Program Release Waiver signed by the owner of the Primary Program before that athlete is eligible to compete with another program at The 2020 Summit.

Completion of the Varsity Spirit Program Release Waiver is a required process between the Primary and Secondary Program owners. In the event a formal protest is made and the official Program Release Waiver has not been signed, or if the Secondary Program is not able to provide one as physical proof to a Varsity Official, the Secondary Program will not be eligible or will be disqualified depending on the time of the formal protest. All Varsity Spirit Program Release Waivers must be made available at The Summit upon request.



**Can multiple teams from the same program location receive a bid in the same International Summit division?**

If a program has a team that is awarded a bid in a division, a legitimate second team can still compete for an additional bid. To be considered “legitimate”, this team may not share ANY athletes with the team already in possession of a Summit Bid regardless of registration status.

**Can Bids be deferred?**

No, Bids earned during the 2019 – 2020 season must be used for the 2020 Summit.

**Will Bids be passed down for The Summit?**

No, Summit Bids will not be passed down. For example, if a team receives an At-Large Bid at an event early in the season and upgrades to a PAID Bid later in the season, the original At-Large Bid will not be given to another team. This bid will be eliminated.

**Bid Eligibility:**

Event Producers have the right to investigate any and all teams receiving a bid to The Summit. Bid eligible teams and divisions will be reviewed for accuracy and legitimacy to ensure each team has the same opportunity. Any bid eligible team found in violation of a USASF/IASF or Varsity Spirit policy will be disqualified from The Summit for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 season.

**Rounds at The Summit**

**The Semi-Final Round:**

The Semi-Final Round of The Summit will take place on Thursday, April 31<sup>st</sup> at the Walt Disney World® Resort in Orlando, FL. Teams advancing from the Semi-Final round will compete in the Final Round against the advancing Wild Card & other Semi-Final teams on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Summit reserves the right to split divisions based on size. All split divisions will be recombined in the Final Round. Below is the number of teams that will advance from Semi-Finals to Finals based on division size:

- All divisions with 10 or less teams in Semi-Finals will have no more than 5 teams advance to finals. \*In the event of a tie for the 5<sup>th</sup> spot, both teams will advance to Finals.
- All divisions with 11 – 19 teams in Semi-Finals will have no more than 50% of the division advance to finals.
- All divisions with 20 – 30 teams in Semi-Finals will have no more than 10 teams advance to finals. \*In the event of a tie for the 10<sup>th</sup> spot, both teams will advance to Finals.



- Once registration is FINAL, division with 31 or more teams in Semi-Finals will be evaluated to consider advancing additional teams.

#### The Final Round:

The Final Round of The Summit will take place on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Walt Disney World® Resort in Orlando, FL. Teams from the Wild Card and Semi-Final rounds will face off to determine who will be named The Summit Champion. Ties will not be broken at The Summit – in the event that there is a tie for first place, The Summit will name Co-Champions.

#### **Are Crossovers allowed at The Summit?**

Yes, please see the terms & conditions below.

#### **Crossover Terms & Conditions:**

Athletes will not be allowed to compete on more than 2 CHEER teams across The Summit Championships. Athletes Level 5 and below can only cross up or down one level at The Summit (Ex: Level 2 athletes may only crossover to a Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3 team). All Level 4.2 athletes may only crossover to levels 2, 3 or 4. Level 6 athletes that competed at The Cheerleading Worlds or on a Level 6 Summit team can only cross to levels 4 & 5 – this excludes Level 4.2. No crossovers will be allowed to compete on both a cheer & dance team at The Summit. However, a Cheerleading Worlds athlete may compete at The Dance Summit and a Dance Worlds athlete may compete at The Summit. \*Reminder: Crossovers are not guaranteed at the Summit during the Semi-Final or Final Rounds.

The MAXIMUM number of individuals allowed to crossover from the 2020 Cheerleading Worlds to The Summit will be 5 athletes per team. Exception: Junior Level 6 will be allowed to have up to 8 crossovers for The Cheerleading Worlds to The Summit.

Participants may only represent one gym at The Summit. \*Athletes competing with a program at The Cheerleading Worlds may represent a different gym at The Summit. These athletes will still be considered “Worlds” athletes for the crossover policy.

Participants must pay an additional \$100 registration fee for each additional team performance. However, if there is an athlete that is on a PAID Bid team & crossing over to another PAID Bid team, there will be no crossover fee applied. If an athlete is on a PAID Bid team as well as an AT-LARGE Bid team, that athlete will be required to pay the crossover fee.

Athletes may crossover between two International Division teams if they are in compliance with all of the above crossover terms.

\*For the most up-to date age grids and level requirements, please contact the IASF.



**Can the same team compete in the International Division & the USASF Division at The Summit.**

No. Teams must choose to compete in either the USASF or International divisions at The Summit. Please see the crossover rules for more information.

**Are Crossovers allowed between The Summit & The D2 Summit?**

No athlete can compete at both The Summit & The D2 Summit in the same competitive season in the USASF divisions. Athletes are allowed to compete in the International divisions at The Summit & then compete on ONE TEAM ONLY at The D2 Summit. Athletes may only represent one program throughout The Summit Championships.

**Are Crossovers allowed between The International Divisions at The Summit & The Dance Summit?**

Yes. The International Divisions will compete on Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> & Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Dance Summit will take place on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will allow athletes to compete in both the International Divisions of The Summit & The Dance Summit.

**What do individuals and teams receive for competing at The Summit?**

All participants will receive a commemorative medallion for competing at The Summit. Teams who qualify for Finals on Sunday in each division will be awarded a team banner with division and placement. Teams that place 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> in their respective division will also receive a team banner and each participant will receive individual mini banners recognizing their accomplishment. All divisional champions will receive exclusive Summit Championship Rings! Only participants & 2 coaches listed on the official USASF Summit Roster will be included in ring sizing. Crossover athletes will only be awarded one ring. Additional rings may be ordered on-site & must be paid for by the team or individual before delivery.

**As a Gym Owner or Coach ONLY, who do I contact if I have further question?**

For questions, please reach out to Damianne Albee – [dalbee@varsity.com](mailto:dalbee@varsity.com)

**Disqualifications:**

The Summit reserves the right to disqualify ANY team or program at The Summit found in violation of the USASF/IASF Rules & Guidelines as well as Varsity Spirit Policy. Disqualification can be issued before, during & after the event.