



Varsity Spirit Canada is going virtual to keep your program in the spotlight while staying safe in your own facility. Teams across the country will compete head to head by uploading their videos to Varsity TV. A Varsity certified judging panel will score the routines in our Simple Score system and results will be shared on Varsity TV!

Here are some things to know before you register.

What divisions are offered at Varsity Spirit Canada events?

For a full list of divisions offered, please click [here](#) for International divisions and [here](#) for Cheer Canada divisions.

Will Non-Building Division splits be offered?

Varsity Spirit Canada will offer Non-Building division splits when requested for programs that are unable to perform building skills due to COVID guidelines. If your team plans to perform a traditional routine, but then encounters an issue (like an infected athlete), you will be allowed to move to a Non-Building division split at any time, without penalty. Teams in Non-Building division splits will not be eligible for bids. More information about Non-Building split offerings will be coming soon.

How will a virtual competition work?

Each week, registered teams will receive an email with a link to the applicable Varsity TV video uploader and keyword to use for filming routines. Once this information is sent, teams will have a 6-day window to record their video and submit it, following the uploader steps provided. At the close of submissions, routines will be available to watch for all subscribers on Varsity TV. Varsity All Star Certified Judges will score routines in our Simple Score system and teams will receive standard scoresheets and feedback. Awards will take place the following week on Varsity TV.

All routines will be judged with sound and available for Varsity TV subscriber viewing with sound for 48 hours once the event goes live. After 48 hours, the routines will be available without sound for Varsity TV subscribers. After 5 days, routines will be available free of charge without sound for the duration of the competition season.

What kind of video do I need to submit?

Teams must submit a video recording of their routine taken in their practice facility, using the keyword indicated during the filming period. Videos must be one take – edited footage will not be accepted. All 4 corners of the floor should be visible when possible and athletes must perform on a IASF approved surface. The program must own rights to this video and consent to it being posted on Varsity TV for use in a virtual competition.



How do people watch the event?

Varsity TV will host this event and one one-month subscription will be given to a coach of each registered team. All Varsity TV subscribers will be able to watch the event in its entirety. The awards will be FREE to all viewers on Varsity TV.

How will teams be scored?

Once routine videos are filmed and uploaded to Varsity TV, a Varsity All Star certified judging panel will score the routines in our Simple Score system. Score sheets and division breakdowns will be emailed to coaches, just like at an in-person event.

Teams will receive a link to our AccuScore review process prior to the start of the event and will be able to follow the steps similar to a live event for challenges. Our AccuScore experts will review your sheets and follow up with your program on any changes or clarifications prior to the awards announcements.

[Click here](#) for more information about our scoring and judges.

Once routine videos are filmed, they will be uploaded to Varsity TV. There is no need to purchase additional equipment or internet services for your program – simply film on your phone or available camera!

What scoring will be used for Varsity Spirit Canada events?

Varsity Spirit Canada is following the Cheer Canada guidelines for this season as it pertains to scoring and divisions. Varsity Spirit Canada will utilize the IASF scoring system.

What awards will be given?

The top 3 teams in each division each event will receive a team placement banner. All other teams will receive a team participation banner. First place teams will be awarded personal championship rally towels for each registered athlete.

Where can we view the awards?

Awards for each Virtual Competition will be hosted on Varsity TV and will be FREE to all viewers the Monday following the event.

What End-of-Season Event Bids will be awarded during the virtual competitions?

Each event will offer unique bid opportunities to End-of-Season championships. Please refer to each individual event for more detail.



How do bids to The Summit work if all teams compete in Cheer Canada divisions at Varsity Spirit Canada events?

All teams will register and compete in Cheer Canada divisions at Varsity Spirit Canada events. When teams check in at on-site Registration, they will sign off on bids and declare which USASF DI, USASF DII or International division they will compete in at The Summit. Non-U.S. teams are not eligible to compete in USASF DII divisions. All teams must be eligible for the USASF or International Division bid path they choose.

Bid Eligibility

Event Producers have the right to investigate any and all teams receiving a bid to Varsity Spirit & Varsity All Star End-of-Season Events. Bid eligible teams and divisions will be reviewed for accuracy and legitimacy to ensure each team has the same opportunity. Any bid eligible team/athlete found in violation of an IASF or Varsity Spirit policy will be disqualified from their End-of-Season Championship for the remainder of the 2020 – 2021 season.

Rosters & Waivers

Each program will be required to turn in a waiver for every athlete at both live and virtual events. Team will be required to fill out a roster form to verify athletes attending each event.

Music Guidelines

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What should my team wear?

Teams may submit videos in their practicewear or uniforms. More information about Varsity Spirit Canada Athletic Performance Standards will be coming soon.

How do teams register and pay for Varsity Spirit Canada events?

All teams will register via the myVarsity Competition Portal. Once registered, Jessica Lomba will send you an invoice with your registration details and payment instructions for each event. All Canadian teams will pay in CAD whereas all American teams will pay in USD. Please reach out to Jessica if you have any questions by emailing her at jlomba@varsity.com.

Registration Deadline

Registration will close 2 weeks prior to each virtual event. Registration deadlines are firm and can not be changed.



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

For questions, please reach out to Alana Condon - acondon@varsity.com.

Logo Usage

Programs, Teams, Athletes & Spectators will not be allowed to use the Varsity Spirit, Varsity Spirit Canada, Varsity All Star, individual Varsity event brands or End-of-Season Event logo(s) including; banners, rings, bows, t-shirts etc.

Disqualification

Any team that does not adhere to the terms and procedures of these "Rules and Regulations" will be subject to disqualification from the competition, will automatically forfeit any right to any prizes or awards presented by the competition, and may also forfeit the opportunity to participate in a competition or the following year.

**Due to uncertainties associated with the COVID-19 virus that could potentially lie ahead, Varsity All Star reserves the right to amend this document, bid event listings and bid distributions at any time.*