

Varsity Spirit is focused on creating a culture of empowerment that encourages athletes to be educated about abuse and other difficult topics. Our mission is athlete safety, and we do not tolerate misconduct or abuse of any kind. The information below outlined by the participating team's country of origin is required when attending Varsity Spirit events. This information **MUST** be submitted to your Event Registration Specialist at check-in at your event. This is for all coaches, trainers, and gym owners (18 years and older) who will be entering the warm-up room of the event.

All documents provided must be valid within one year of the event at which you are attending.

Please provide the following, per your country of residence, or a copy of the national coach's certification, which must include a background check, or proof of national clearance to work with children. Current IASF membership, within a year of the event, will be an accepted form of safeguarding verification.

NON-VISA COUNTRIES

Australia - Valid Working with Children Check (Queensland known as a blue card) or VIT registration

Canada – Vulnerable Sectors Check (Cheer Canada membership, SCA membership, OCF membership, BC membership)

Chile – Police Check

Costa Rica – Hoja de Delincuencia

Czech Republic – Criminal Report

Dominican Republic - Police Background Check

Denmark – Police Background Check or Federation Membership

England – enhanced DBS check or Federation Membership

France – Extrait de casier judiciaire

Germany – Führungszeugnis or Federation C or B License

Ireland – Garda vetted

Italy – Police Clearance Certificate or FIC EC Membership

New Zealand – Police Check

Puerto Rico – Current Background Check

Scotland – PVG (if PVG is older than one year additional paperwork will be required, please email mandrews@varsity.com) or Federation Membership

Sweden – Police Background Check or Federation Membership

Wales – enhanced DBS check or Federation Membership

VISA COUNTRIES

Countries that require a VISA to enter the United States through the US Embassy will not be required to show a background check. Passport or Visas will be required at registration for proof of ID.

For countries who require VISITOR VISAS to enter the USA, please make sure to also follow the steps below:

1. Have a recommendation/sponsorship letter from a local event producer in your country (in this case Mexico)
2. If VISITOR VISAs are required for any of your team delegation planning to attend a Varsity Spirit event in the USA, you must reach out to the ICU (karl@cheerunion.org) with a list of all athletes, and coaches, and any other team delegation members (team managers, team medical staff, etc.) planning to attend the event as well as the recommendation letter and receive acknowledgement from the ICU. This list of athletes, coaches and delegation members should include the following information:

Full Name (at it appears in their passport)

Passport Number

Date of Birth

Gender (as it appears in their passport)

Role on team (athlete, coach, manager, etc.)

Travel dates (Mexico departure and return dates*)

*It is beneficial for the team to have the same travel dates

3. Email mandrews@varsity.com with the ICU acknowledgement, and letter of recommendation, and confirmation of VISAs once received.
4. Register for the event - this will be done with your myvarsity.com account. I can help you set up your account and get you registered!
5. Abide by all safeguarding and rostering processes in place for event.