



JAMfest Europe and Future Cheer unify Cheerleading Worlds bid process for the 2019-2020 season.



Rationale: In 2018, The IASF released plans to administer augmented divisions in the 2019-2020 season culminating at the 2020 Cheerleading World Championships. Both event producers recognize that there are limitations to competing at the World Championships and earning a bid either prior to or closely after the 2019 World Championships for the 2020 World Championships.

Generally speaking, as a part of this plan, division breakdowns will change as follows:

2018 - 2019 Division	2019 - 2020 Division
Restricted Level 5	Level 5
Level 5	Level 6
Level 6	Level 7

You can find the IASF 2019-2020 rules here

<http://www.iasfworlds.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/IASF-2019-20-Rules-Final-3.pdf>

With safety as the primary concern, JAMfest Europe and Future Cheer will be giving bids to the 2020 Cheerleading World Championships in the following manner:

Option 1: Teams may register in and compete in the 2019-2020 “new” divisions and earn their bid to The World Championships based on the current (at the time of the event) scoring.

Option 2: Teams may register in and compete in the 2018-2019 divisions. However; teams will only receive a bid in the 2019-2020 divisions given the following parameters:

- Teams must declare what 2018-2019 division they will be competing and performing in (including R5) prior to the event **AND**
- Teams must declare and agree that they will only be given a bid in the corresponding 2019-2020 divisions (meaning that when choosing Option 2, a team competing in Restricted 5 will receive a bid for 19-20 Level 5, a team competing in Level 5 will receive a bid for 19-20 Level 6 and a team competing Level 6 will receive a bid for 19-20 Level 7) and at any point, should the team not be able to fulfill the division requirements, they must immediately notify both the event producer and the IASF, declining their bid.
- Teams must agree that they may not switch back into their 2018-2019 division after receiving a bid to the 2020 Cheerleading World Championships for the purpose of winning another bid without first declining their original bid and starting the bid-earning process over again with the new event producer (**Exception 1:** a current level 5 team may win a bid in the ‘new’ level 5 division but they must make this their intention prior to receiving a bid. **Exception 2:** a team may win a bid in any division and later compete in another division, with the same team/roster, without the purpose of winning an additional bid.)
- If the team accepts a bid, and then later declines the bid under malicious intent, the entire program agrees to be ineligible for a bid for one calendar year from all event producers. For example, if a team earns an at-large bid in any division with the intention of blocking another team from earning a bid and then later declines the bid for no apparent or justifiable reason, they will forfeit their right to earn a bid the following season.
- Due to the potential for teams competing in a division different than their 2020 World Bid, Worlds bids may not be awarded solely based on score. Rather, the respective event producers will award bids based on key factors such as final score, final placement, division depth, deductions, potential for success in “new” division, strength of division, etc. Teams must agree to accept these terms and accept that all bids given will be final/not up for discussion (keeping in mind that the ultimate goal is to award the best teams, that day, a bid to Worlds)

For questions concerning Cheerleading Worlds Bids, please contact the bid giving event producer.

Collectively, we hope that The U.K. and European cheerleading communities will benefit from this initiative and allow teams/athletes to progress and transition into the new divisions in a safe and low stress manner.