

USASF/IASF All-Star Cheer Divisions for 2008-2009

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Cheer Divisions	Age	Female/Male	Number on Squad	Levels
Tiny Cheer				
Tiny	• 5 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 Members	1
Mini Cheer				
Mini	• 8 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 Members	1, 2, 3
Youth Cheer				
Youth	• 11 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 Members	5
Small Youth	• 11 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 Members	1, 2, 3, 4
Large Youth	• 11 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 Members	1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Cheer				
Small Junior	• 14 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 Members	1, 2
Small Junior	• 14 yrs & Younger	• No Males	• 5 - 20 Members	3, 4, 5
Large Junior	• 14 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 Members	1, 2
Large Junior	• 14 yrs & Younger	• No Males	• 21 - 36 Members	3, 4, 5
Junior Co-Ed	• 14 yrs & Younger	• 1 or more Males	• 5 - 36 Members	3, 4, 5
Senior Cheer				
Senior Open*	• 18 yrs & Younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 - 36 Members	2, 3, 4
Senior	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 Members	1
Small Senior	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 Members	2
Small Senior	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• No Males	• 5 - 20 Members	3, 4, 5
Large Senior	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 Members	2
Large Senior	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• No Males	• 21 - 36 Members	3, 4, 5
Senior Co-Ed	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• 1 or more Males	• 5 - 36 Members	3, 4
Small Senior Limited Co-Ed	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• 1 - 4 Males	• 5 - 20 Members	5
Large Senior Limited Co-Ed	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• 1 - 4 Males	• 21 - 36 Members	5
Senior Semi-Limited Co-Ed	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• 5 - 12 Males	• 5 - 36 Members	5
Senior Unlimited Co-Ed	• 11 yrs – 18 yrs	• 5 or More Males	• 5 - 36 Members	5
International Open Cheer				
International Open	• 14 yrs & Older	• No Males	• 5 - 24 Members	5
International Open Co-Ed	• 14 yrs & Older	• 1 - 12 Males	• 5 - 24 Members	5
Special Needs Cheer				
Special Needs	• Any Age	• Female/Male	• Unlimited	N/A
Open Cheer				
Open	• 17 yrs & Older	• No Males	• 5 - 36 Members	6
Open Co-Ed	• 17 yrs & Older	• 1 or More Males	• 5 - 36 Members	6

(Same Grid – Different Format)

USASF Level 1				
Level 1	Tiny	• 5 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 1	Mini	• 8 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 1	Small Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 1	Large Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
Level 1	Small Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 1	Large Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
Level 1	Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
USASF Level 2				

Level 2	Small Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 2	Large Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
Level 2	Small Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 2	Large Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
Level 2	Senior Open*	• 18 yrs and younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 - 36 members
Level 2	Small Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 2	Large Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
USASF Level 3				
Level 3	Mini	• 8 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 3	Small Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 3	Large Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
Level 3	Small Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 3	Large Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 3	Junior Coed	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 3	Senior Open*	• 18 yrs and younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 - 36 members
Level 3	Small Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• No Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 3	Large Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• No Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 3	Senior Coed	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• 1 or more Males	• 5 - 36 members
USASF Level 4				
Level 4	Small Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 4	Large Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 21 - 36 members
Level 4	Small Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 4	Large Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 4	Junior Coed	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 4	Senior Open*	• 18 yrs and younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 - 36 members
Level 4	Small Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• No Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 4	Large Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• No Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 4	Senior Coed	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• 1 or more Males	• 5 - 36 members
USASF Level 5				
Level 5	Youth	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 5	Small Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 5	Large Junior	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 5	Junior Coed	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 36 members
Level 5	Small Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• No Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 5	Large Senior	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• No Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 5	Small Sr. Limited Coed	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• 1 - 4 Males	• 5 - 20 members
Level 5	Large Sr. Limited Coed	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• 1 - 4 Males	• 21 - 36 members
Level 5	Sr. Semi-Limited Coed	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• 5 - 12 Males	• 5 - 36 members
Level 5	Sr. Unlimited Coed	• 11 - 18 yrs old	• 5 or more Males	• 5 - 36 members
USASF International Divisions				
Level 5	International Open	• 14 yrs & older	• No Males	• 5 - 24 members
Level 5	International Open Coed	• 14 yrs & older	• 1 - 12 Males	• 5 - 24 members
Special Needs				
Special Needs		• Any Age	• Female/Male	• Unlimited
USASF Level 6				
Level 6	Open	• 17 yrs & older	• No Males	• 5 - 36 members
Level 6	Open Coed	• 17 yrs & older	• 1 or more Males	• 5 - 36 members

The information below is associated with the Age Chart above.

The list above is a “menu” of divisions that may be offered by an individual event producer. An event producer does not have to offer every division listed above. However, a USASF-member event producer may only offer divisions from the grid above or combine/split divisions based upon the guidelines below, unless prior written approval is granted from the USASF.

The maximum size for a team is 36 competitors on the floor for the 2008-09 season.

The age of the competitor as of May 31, 2008 will be the age used for competition purposes throughout the 2008-2009 season for all divisions. The USASF/IASF recognizes the concern with fielding teams of a broad age range and will continue to address this, with the goal of bottom and top age restrictions for **all** divisions in the future. It highly recommends that individual gyms/programs be vigilant in monitoring participants of various ages on the same team and that, whenever possible, a team’s composition is made up of participants of similar ages.

It is the recommendation of the Rules Committee that the “bottom” age for Senior divisions be raised by one year to the following for the 2009-10 season: 12 – 18 years of age

* The Senior Open divisions (Levels 2-4) are open to all female (0 males) or female/male (limit 1-4 males) teams with participants 18 yrs and younger and the team size limit of 5 - 36 members.

WHEN TO COMBINE DIVISIONS :

SMALL/LARGE COMBINING

For previously designated “Small” and “Large” divisions based on total team size (see above chart), event producers will combine “Small” and “Large” teams into one division when there are not at least 2 teams registered for each of these respective divisions. (Exception: Divisions will not be combined if a gym has both a “Small” and a “Large” team competing in the same category, so as to avoid having a gym compete against itself.)

JUNIOR COED COMBINING

Junior Co-Ed at all levels will be combined with their similar All-Girl divisions (Small Junior, Large Junior) if there are not at least **two** or more teams in the Junior Co-Ed division for that level.

SENIOR OPEN COMBINING

Senior Open at all levels will be combined with their similar “Senior” divisions (Small Senior, Large Senior, Senior Coed) if there are not at least **two** or more teams in the Senior Open division for that level.

WHEN TO SPLIT DIVISIONS:

SMALL/LARGE SPLITS

For divisions that have **not** previously been designated “Small” and “Large” based on total team size (ex: Level 3 Junior Coed), event producers **will** split the division into “Small” and “Large” divisions when there are at least **three** teams that will ultimately be registered in each respective division.

Small = 5 - 20 members

Large = 21 – 36 members

A/B SPLITS

For divisions that are designated “Small” and “Large,” event producers may further subdivide if there are 15 or more teams in the division. Event Producers must use a name such as “Division I”, “Division II” or “Division A”, “Division B” to denote the split and must clearly define the number of competitors permitted on the team for each of these particular divisions. No division may be subdivided further from the “Small” (5-20) and “Large” (21-36) classification if it means that only **two** teams will be left in a division.

COED SPLITS

For co-ed divisions that have not been previously designated “Limited” and “Unlimited” based on total number of males on the team (ex: Level 4 Senior Coed), event producers may split the division into “Limited” and “Unlimited” when there are at least **three** teams that will ultimately be registered in each respective division. This excludes the “Junior” level.

Limited – 1-4 males

Unlimited – 5 + males

SENIOR OPEN SPLITS

Event producers will split these divisions into Small Senior Open and Large Senior and/or Senior Open and Senior Co-Ed Open when there are at least **three** teams that will ultimately be registered in each respective division.

WORLDS SPLITS

Event producers may also, at their discretion, split divisions into “Worlds Qualifying” and “Non-Worlds” qualifying divisions as long as the levels, age and female/male restrictions designated above remain the same for each division.

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SMALL GYM SPLITS

Event producers may also offer "Small Gym" divisions within an event that is not restricted to just "Small Gyms." "Small Gyms" divisions may only be offered in the divisions listed below and only after the standard USASF division has first been split by team size into Large and Small and then only if at least 3 teams will ultimately compete in the designated "Small Gym" division AND the non "Small-Gym" division (ex: 6 teams registered in Level 2 Small Youth, 3 of which fall under the definition of "Small Gym.")

A Small Gym is defined as an All-Star gym that has 100 or less athletes registered in its competitive cheer program. Exhibition teams, crossover athletes and dance teams do not count toward the 100.

A "Small" gym will have the option to compete with "Large" gyms if they so choose.

Level 2	Mini Small Gym	• 8 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 – 20 members
Level 2	Youth Small Gym	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 2	Junior Small Gym	• 14 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 - 20 members
Level 2	Senior Open Small Gym	• 18 yrs and younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 - 20 members
Level 3	Youth Small Gym	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 – 20 members
Level 3	Junior Small Gym	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 5 – 20 members
Level 3	Senior Open Small Gym	• 18 yrs and younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 – 20 members
Level 4	Youth Small Gym	• 11 yrs & younger	• Female/Male	• 5 – 20 members
Level 4	Junior Small Gym	• 14 yrs & younger	• No Males	• 5 – 20 members
Level 4	Senior Open Small Gym	• 18 yrs and younger	• Female/Male (Limit 0 - 4 Males)	• 5 – 20 members

SMALL GYM COMPETITIONS

Event producers may at their discretion offer separate competitions designated for "Small Gyms" only. Any USASF/IASF division may be offered at "Small Gyms" only events. A "Small Gym" is defined as having 100 or less participants. A Small Gym is defined as an All-Star gym that has 100 or less athletes registered in its competitive cheer program. Exhibition teams, crossover athletes and dance teams do not count toward the 100.

It is up to the event producer's discretion as to how to monitor this.

INDIVIDUAL/GROUP STUNT/ PARTNER STUNT COMPETITION

The divisions of "Group Stunt", "Partner Stunt" and "Individual" may be offered by an event producer at their discretion. The age, level and female/male restrictions designated above must remain in place for stunt divisions (i.e. no Mini Stunt Group may perform at Level 5).