

Marching Parade Competition Rules

2022 World Championship of Marching Show Bands, Bangkok, Thailand

1) Group Definitions:

1.1) Band definitions:

The One World Judging System is utilized for all band definitions at WAMSB Championship events. Equal consideration is given regardless of the form or style of the band being judged. Scores assigned to the bands are based upon the product as a whole while taking into consideration the performances of the various elements and members of the band. All definitions are given equal consideration when arriving at a score.

In addition to overall placement awards & rating awards, separate awards for different band definitions may be awarded.

1.2) Division (Based on Development)

World Division (Advanced level for the type of group) : All Groups who have received a gold medal award level or the equivalent in the past 2 years from a recognized international or national competition. Groups may apply for placement in World Division based upon their development and most recent ratings. Groups currently in a lower division may be placed in World Division based upon their development and competition results presented in their application resume.

Division I (Intermediate for the type of Group) : Groups who have received an award level equal to or below silver medal or the equivalent in the past 2 years from a recognized international or national competition. Groups may apply for placement in Division I based upon their development and most recent ratings. Groups currently in a World Division may be placed in Division I based upon their development and competition results presented in their application resume.

1.3) Category (Based on Age)

Elementary: Groups in which all the participating group members are currently study not higher than elementary school level or equivalent.

Junior: Groups in which all the participating group members are currently study not higher than junior high school level or equivalent.

Senior: Groups in which all the participating group members are currently study not higher than senior high school level or equivalent.

Open: Groups in which any of the participating group members are open to any ages.

1.4) Class (Based on Group Size)

A	Less than 65 performing members
AA	66 to 100 performing members
AAA	101 to 150 performing members
AAAA	Over 151 performing members

2) Venue:

Venue size is 40 x 25 yards.

Entrance & Exit Area are subject to be announce until final version announcement.

(Before May 2022)

3) Performance:

Upon a signal from the organizer, the band enters the stadium (either with or without music) and immediately takes the starting position. The band can start and end anywhere in the performance area. The following marching movements need to be performed:

- Left or right maneuvers.
- Counter march.

The performance can include any variations but needs to move in a continuous forward direction in marching parade fashioned. Appropriate mark time period will be allowing.

4) Time Limits:

Overall time for the band including setup and exit the performance area will be 12 minutes. The time keeping starts when the event officer gives a clear sign to enter the venue and will be stop when the band exit from the performance area.

Entry and exit are not judged. The adjudicated part of the show should last at least 5 minutes. (Only for 2022 season.) The performance time keeping starts when the first music notes sound or the first movements are made after the announcement ends. The end of the performance time is at the obvious conclusion of the show. All captions will be judged until the obvious conclusion of the show.

A deduction of 0.1 point on the final results for every three seconds or part thereof under the minimum limit of 5 minutes or over the maximum limit of 12 minutes is to be assessed by the supervising

judge. An additional penalty may be assessed when a band delays events proceedings during the bands entry/exit for setup or take down procedures including removal of materials left on the field. Such delay is deemed to occur when a band's total time on the field exceeds 10 minutes not including event related delays. Amount of the penalty assessed will be determined by the supervising judge in consultation with the Jury members.

5) The following are NOT allowed in the Competition Area:

- No pyrotechnics, discharge of arms, pressurized canisters, dangerous materials, flammable liquids or gas will be permitted in or around the competition area. Smoke machines and/or compressed air apparatuses will be need for permission from event organizer.

- Gasoline powered generators.

- Lasers and flashcubes (electrical and chemical) will not be permitted.

- Live animals.

- Use of powder or any other substance that lingers in the competition area past the interval time.

- Use of helium, including helium-filled balloons.

- Motorized vehicles except for motorized wheelchairs used by disabled performers.

- Use of glass objects that may break and/or leave shards of glass in the competition area.

- Drones or any remote-controlled airborne device.

- For the protection of the competition floors, all equipment must be properly padded or otherwise be prepared to assure that damage to the floors will not occur. Inspection will occur at the contests. Any damage to the floor that may occur will be the responsibility of the band.

6) Copyrights:

In case any form of copyright applies to the music or drill being performed, as well as effects or voices used, the band is responsible for attaining the necessary permission documents for presentation to the event organizers a minimum of two weeks in advance of the event.

7) Judging System

Please see WAMSB One World Adjudication System 2019