

Indoor Show Band 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 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. Performance outside of the provided area will not be judge.

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

(Before May 2022)

3) Electronics:

The use of electronic devices for musical elements or to replace instruments belonging to the standard instrumentation of the band is not allowed. The use of electronic devices to amplify instruments in the pit space or for sound effects and/or previously recorded voice sound is permitted. Electronic equipment to be used should be battery powered. Gas driven generators are not allowed. One power source will be provided at the front of the center line of the competition area and will be the only power sources available for use. Groups may not plug into any wall outlet in the competition area and must provide their own extension cords.



Thailand's power socket type. Voltage current is 220V

The band may manipulate their soundboard by using a remote-controlled wireless device through a self-supplied wireless network. Event organizer will provide an area in or near the Effect & Visual judging area for one designated staff member to adjust the mix using wireless technology. The soundboard must remain in the competition area.

4) Time Limits:

Overall time for the band including setup and take down will be 15 minutes. The time keeping starts when the event officer gives a clear sign to enter the venue and will be stop when the band remove everything from the performance and pit 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 will begin with the first step of body movement, first move of equipment, or the first note of music whichever comes first after the announcement ends. Judging will also begin at this time. 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 15 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 15 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