



# 2021 Live Events

Protocol for Units, Spectators & Hosts

# Unit Responsibility

- Upon arrival, all performers are required to do a temperature check.
- Everyone is required to wear masks while in the building. Performing members must wear masks while actively warming-up or performing.
- Groups are required to comply with all posted signage and direction from Circuit Personnel, Volunteers & Boosters working the event.
- All performers are required to bring their own personal water bottles.
- Units should disinfect all equipment/props prior to entering the building.
- Units should limit the amount of personal belongings they bring into the building.
- Performers & staff should routinely wash their hands or use hand sanitizer while inside the building.

# Spectator Responsibility

- Spectators are required to wear masks at all times.
- Spectators are required to comply with established distancing “pods” that are appropriately distanced and represented in the bleachers with taped boundaries.
- Spectators are required to comply with all posted signage and direction from Circuit Personnel, Staff & Boosters working the event.
- Spectators should limit the amount of personal belongings they bring into the building.
- Spectators should routinely wash their hands or use hand sanitizer while inside the building.

# NON-PERFORMANCE AREAS

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Includes: Unit check-in, staging areas, restrooms/changing areas, warm-up, prop storage & judge's room

# Group Check-In (set-up)

- Check-in tables should be set-up distantly positioned from spectator entrance and any other high traffic areas.
- At least one touch-free thermal scan thermometer should be placed at unit check-in.
- At least one event volunteer should be assigned to conducting temperature checks.
- Director packets will continue to be available digitally through the Director Portal on the North Star Circuit website.

# Group Check-In (process)

- Everyone with your unit must arrive at the same time to be assessed prior to entering the building.
- An event volunteer will conduct temperature checks of all unit performers. Anyone with a temperature exceeding 100.3° Fahrenheit shall not be permitted to proceed into the building.
- Directors must submit signed waiver/release forms for every performer and staff member at unit check-in at the first event their unit attends.

# Staging Areas

- Whenever possible, hallways should be marked for one-way traffic to allow for safe distancing.
- Units must remain in assigned staging areas when not in warm-up, performing or viewing performances.
- Roaming hallways or other common areas of the event is strictly prohibited.
- Socializing with performers or personnel of other units is strictly prohibited.

# Unit Restrooms/Changing Rooms

- Performers are required to arrive in competitive attire and show make-up.
- Restrooms for performers should be maxed at 50% capacity.
- 6ft distancing outside restrooms should be practiced to ensure safe distancing.
- Whenever possible, utilize separate entrances and exits.



# Warm-Up Areas

- Warm-up monitors/volunteers must wear masks and stay outside of the warm-up area except when providing time calls. If this is not possible then monitors should stand a minimum of 10' away from any performers.
- When possible, units should utilize separate doors for warm-up entrance/exit.
- Warm-up monitors/volunteers should disinfect any high touch surfaces often.
- Use of shared sound systems in warm-ups is strictly prohibited and units must bring their own system if music is desired.

# Prop Storage

- Prop/floor storage space should be maximized to ensure safe distancing is possible.
- Cross traffic should be eliminated/reduced wherever possible.
- Props/floors should be disinfected prior to arriving at shows.

# Judge's Room

- No food should be served but bottled water is encouraged
- Set-up enough tables to ensure social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer should be readily available.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces every time judges exit the room.

# PUBLIC AREAS

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Includes: Spectator entrance, concessions & restrooms

# Spectator Entrance

- All spectators are required to wear a face mask at all times.
- Tickets must be purchased in-advance online (link to ticket purchasing available at [northstarcircuit.org](http://northstarcircuit.org)). NO TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE DOOR.
- A few parent volunteers should be assigned the role of “usher” to help direct spectators to open pods and direct spectator groups exceeding pod capacities/ boundaries to separate into multiple pods.

# Concessions

- Food services/concessions are not permitted at any events.

# Restrooms

- Restrooms should be maxed at 50% capacity.
- 6ft distancing outside restrooms should be marked to ensure safe distancing.
- Whenever possible, utilize separate entrances and exits.
- Disinfect between rushes.

# PERFORMANCE AREA

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Includes: Performance gym, entrance/exit, spectator seating & backside unit seating



# Entrance/Exit

## Unit

- One unit should completely clear the performance gym before the next unit enters.
- Performance entrance/exit should be separate whenever possible

## Spectator

- Spectators should not be permitted to congregate at the gym entrance.
- Spectator entrance/exit should be separate whenever possible.
- Only show volunteers/door monitors should be opening/closing doors.
- Door handles should be disinfected periodically throughout the show.

# Seating

## Unit

- Performers returning to the gym to watch shows are required to sit in the designated pod assigned to each unit on the backside bleachers only.
- Pods should be taped off and large enough to allow all performers of a single unit to sit together, yet distanced a minimum of 15ft from other pods.
- Performers are strictly prohibited from entering and/or sitting on frontside bleachers at any time.
- Face masks must be worn at all times.

## Spectator

- “Pods” measuring 5ft across should be clearly marked with tape and all pods should be positioned at least 6ft apart.
- Pods should comfortably accommodate up to 3 adults or 2 adults/2 children. Groups that are unable to comfortably sit within the pod markings should separate into multiple pods.
- Spectators should allow for distanced traffic in/out of the bleachers.
- Face masks must be worn at all times.