



MICHIGAN STATE FAIR JR. HIGH / FRESHMAN POM PON/DANCE TEAM

Team Name _____
 Coach's Name _____
 School Name _____
 School Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Federal Tax I.D. Number _____
 Coach's Home Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone: Home (____) _____ School (____) _____
 E-mail _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

_____ Coach - **Free** _____ Assistant Coach - **Free**
 _____ Number of Participants

\$8.00 Entry Fee per Participant _____ **Total Amount Due**

One (1) parking pass for every four (4) participants
 will be provided for all teams that **respond by due date.**

Please send Application and
 Check or Money Order made payable to:
"State of Michigan" by Friday, July 30th

Attn: Jr. High / Freshman Pom / Dance Team
Michigan State Fair
1120 W. State Fair Avenue
Detroit, MI 48203



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COMPETITION DATE

Sunday, August 22nd, 2004

TIME SCHEDULE

10:45 a.m. - Coaches' Meeting **11:00 a.m.** - Competition Begins

COMPETITION AREA - *Indoor Venue!*

Hudson Auditorium - **Stage 25 x 48**

RULES

See Rules on reverse side

AWARDS

- 1st Place = Trophy + \$200.00
- 2nd Place = Trophy + \$100.00
- 3rd Place = Trophy + \$ 50.00

Non-Refundable Entry fee

\$8.00 per participant

One (1) admission per registered participant, coach & assistant coach



DEADLINE

Friday, July 30th, 2004

COMPETITION QUESTIONS

Please call Competition Coordinator - LaTasha Tillman
 Work (313) 892-1351 Home (313) 592-1732

FAIR INFORMATION

Please call General Information - (313) 369-8250
 Entertainment & Special Events - (313) 369-8310



Return This Portion With Entry Fee(s)



POM PON / DANCE TEAM

COMPETITION RULES

National Federation Rules Will Apply

GENERAL INFORMATION

A Fairground's map will be included with participants' ticket packet. Your gate pass is not only your pass to the competition it is your invitation to enjoy the Michigan State Fair. Have a great day!

Judges are provided by the Detroit Pistons' Dance Team - Automotion and the Detroit Fury Cheerleaders.

Teams are encouraged to bring their best performance material in whatever style of pom routine they prefer. Judges will not discriminate.

SQUAD UNIFORMS

Any type of uniform or dance costume is allowed. Hats are not allowed. If parts of the costume are removed during the performance, they should not be used for visual effect or this could be considered a non-allowable prop.

PROPS

No props are allowed other than poms, gloves, or any combination of these two items. Other props such as hats, flags, canes, lights, signs, etc. will not be allowed. The attempted use of any non-allowable prop will result in a penalty deduction. Poms must be used for at least 50% of the performance time. An elastic device attached to the handle of the pom pon will be considered part of that prop and is allowable.

TIME LIMIT

Junior H.S. / Freshman Teams will perform first followed by Junior Varsity then Varsity. Order of competitors will be given at the coaches' meeting prior to competition.

Each routine must be a minimum of **one (1) minute** and a maximum of **two (2) minutes**. Timing will begin with the first note of music. Music may either be started upon entrance or after the team has entered the performance area. Timing will end when the music stops.

MUSIC

Music must be provided in cassette tape / cd form. Each squad should have a person designated to stop and start music and that person should report to designated music area while the team is on deck. You should also bring a back-up tape / cd of your performance music in case of accidents or breakage.

MOUNTS, STUNTS & TUMBLING

No mounting or partner stunts are allowed during your routine. This can be defined as "a maneuver, which requires a base(s) to support a person(s) whose feet are off the performing surface." No tumbling or gymnastics of any kind. Also, no dive rolls or body drops. Make sure that at least one foot touches the ground after a leap, jump, turn, or a toe touch before starting another skill. Toe touches to a hurdler position or landing with both feet back are prohibited. Toe touches to a push position are prohibited. Any type of hurdler position is prohibited with the exception of a (Z) sit, this includes sitting with knees back.

KICKS

You may include any type of kicks and any number of kicks in your routine, however these are NOT required.

PENALTIES

A deduction of five (5) points per judge will be given for each of the following violations:

- 1) Going over the time limit
- 2) Use of non-allowable props
- 3) Use of stunts or mounts
- 4) Poms not being used at least 50% of the performance

If more than two of the penalty rules are violated, the team will be disqualified and ineligible to receive a trophy.

JUDGING

Judge's score sheets will score teams as follows:

- **Appearance / Projection (5)**
Grooming / Facial Expression / Eye Contact
- **Choreography (20)**
Variety / Difficulty / Formations / Compatibility with music
- **Technique (25)**
Body positioning / Kicks: Extension, Uniformity / Use of Poms
- **Synchronization (25)**
- **Overall Effect (25)**
Audience Appeal / Visual Effect

Total Points (100)

In the event of a tie, the points awarded in the overall effect category will determine the tiebreaker.

NOTE: Michigan State Fair, Staff, Contest Coordinator, Judges and Sponsor are not responsible for accidents, property loss or injuries related to the competition.