

# **DRILL COMPETITION RULES**

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1. Teams must consist of 8 – 20 members (Minimum of 75% must be of Youth age, up to 25% can be OJAYS and/or older community Grange Members). Coaches may be of any age.
2. Coaches will not be allowed in the performance area, unless participating as a member of the drill team. Up to ten (10) points will be deducted for coaching from the sidelines, as the discretion of the Judges.
3. Each team will be responsible for its own music. There may NOT be a piano available. The host state will provide a sound system and technician.
4. Drill performances must be a minimum of 6 minutes and a maximum of 10 minutes in length. Timing begins when the first person enters the Drill Competition Floor and concludes when the last person exits the Drill Competition Floor. One point will be deducted from the total score for each minute or fraction of a minute over or under the time limit.
5. Drill participants must remain within the perimeter of the Drill Competition Floor at all times while performing the Drill. The Host State shall communicate the maximum Drill Competition Floor dimensions well in advance of the Competition (i.e. the Northeast Leaders Conference). Each State is responsible for determining their own Drill Competition Floor dimensions and must indicate the outside dimensions of their Drill Competition Floor for the benefit of the Judges by positioning visible markers prior to initiating their performance, typically but not limited to the use of cones. One point will be deducted from the total score for each perimeter infraction.
6. Drill participants must be in continuous motion while performing the Drill, stopping will not be allowed. Pauses and/or hesitations will be deducted from the total score at the discretion of the Judges up to the maximum of 10 points. A simple Drill Competition Information Card will be submitted to the Judges for each Drill Team whereby pertinent Choreography Notes (e.g. explaining the existence and timing of a deliberate pause (less than 3 seconds) to emphasize a specific choreographed design, etc.) can be submitted for the benefit of judging the Drill Performance.
7. Three (3) judges will be selected by the Host State.
8. A Time Keeper will be selected by the Host State.

9. Although costumes/uniforms enhance the appearance of the teams, they are not to be considered when calculating a team's overall score.

10. Scoring will consist of the following:

Precision/Adaptability of Cadence to Music.....	30 points
Choreography .....	20 points
Degree of Difficulty.....	20 points
Execution of Program .....	20 points
Attitude / Showmanship.....	10 points

LESS Penalty Points for:

- Time Defaults (1 point per minute over/under)
- Prompting or Coaching from the sidelines (up to 10 points)
- Stepping off the Drill Competition Floor (1 point per infraction)
- Stopping/pausing/hesitating (up to 10 points)

Drill Competition Information Card

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Youth Participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Non-Youth Participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated length of performance: \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.

Pertinent Choreography Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*\*\*Maximum floor dimensions for 2016 are 30'x30'.