

PAID BIDS, PARTIAL-PAID BIDS

Bids are awarded at The Cheerleading Worlds qualifying events. Each event producer that hosts a Worlds bid-qualifying event has the discretion to select the processes by which the bids are awarded. Bid sponsorship funds are not prize money and are to be used towards the team's Worlds registration package, lodging and/or transportation to Orlando to participate at The Cheerleading Worlds. All paid/partial-paid bids payments are made directly to Worlds by the event producer on behalf of the program.

- **Paid bid** sponsors may award up to \$25,000 per team or \$650 per athlete and two coaches on a bid-winning team.
- **Partial-paid bid** sponsors may award up to \$325 per athlete and two coaches on a bid-winning team.

Paid/partial-paid bids are for athletes who will be on the floor during the team's performance at The Cheerleading Worlds. Reserve athletes or coaches brought to substitute for unplanned occurrences are not covered by paid/partial-paid bids and will not be funded by the sponsoring event producer. Should a substitute and/or an alternate become necessary after submission of a team's Worlds roster and after travel plans have been approved and confirmed, any additional costs associated with those substitution(s) must be paid by the club.

NOTE: If The Cheerleading Worlds event is cancelled for any reason, the paid/partial-paid bid sponsorship funds must be returned to the event producer who awarded the funds. Additional expenses incurred will be the responsibility of the team/club. Event producers will not be responsible for late fees if their representing team does not meet the registration deadline. Event producers will not be responsible for added change fees if the representing team has to make changes to the original registration and/or travel.

AT-LARGE BIDS

At-large bids are generally awarded to runner-up teams or teams scoring next highest to the paid/partial-paid bid-winning team(s). Recipients of at-large bids must pay for their own Worlds registration packages and all other related expenses.

50% ROSTER, TEAM SIZE POLICY *(Only non-U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions)*

Rosters may change up to 50 percent within the division in which the bid has been awarded. Fifty percent of the athletes on the original team roster must remain on the roster for the The Cheerleading Worlds.

EXAMPLE: A team of 14 athletes can change seven of those athletes after tryouts to maintain the 50 percent. Season 2 programs that have tryouts after receiving their Worlds bid(s), may add to the roster as long as 50 percent of the original roster is maintained.

Clubs must notify the Event Producer if their roster changes so a NEW IASF roster can be submitted to the IASF.

TEAM BID LIMITATIONS *(Only non-U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions)*

DECLINING A BID *(to pursue a new bid)*

A non-U.S.-based team is limited to accepting only one bid for The Cheerleading Worlds within a specific division. If a team has accepted a bid and intends to compete for an **upgraded** bid (e.g., from an at-large bid to a paid bid), no formal declination is necessary. However, if a team chooses to vie for a **similar** bid (e.g., from at-large to at-large or from paid to paid), they must officially **DECLINE** the original bid no later than **11 pm EST** on the Friday night before the event begins.

The process to **DECLINE** a bid includes:

1. writing to the sponsoring event producer and
2. writing to the IASF Director, Jibreel Rayam, jibreel@iasfworlds.com.

CHEER ATHLETE BID LIMITATIONS *(Only non-U.S.-based teams in IASF divisions)*

- An athlete on a non-U.S.-based team may qualify for Worlds with **only one** gym in the same World's season. **Exceptions** will be considered on a case-by-case basis and must be presented to the IASF director within 60 days before the World Championships.
- Athletes on non-U.S.-based teams within the same club are limited to the number of teams on which they are eligible to compete and earn paid or partial-paid bids.
- Once an athlete on a non-U.S.-based team has competed on a team and earned a paid/partial-paid or at-large bid, they are permitted to move to another team within their club. If their second team earns a bid, they are bound to the second team and may only compete with the second team at Worlds. They no longer are eligible to compete with the first team once the second team is awarded a bid.
- The number of athletes that have already earned a paid/partial-paid bid that are eligible to compete for and be awarded/accepted a paid/partial-paid bid on a second team is limited: IASF division teams may have up to four athletes that were previously awarded a paid/partial-paid bid.