

2016-2017 MUSIC GUIDELINES

Please read and understand the USA Cheer Music Copyrights Educational Initiative. All sound recordings used in your team's music shall only be used with written license from the owners(s) of the sound recordings.

These guidelines are as of June 16, 2016. For the most up to date music information, visit <http://varsity.com/music>. If you have any questions, cheer teams should email info@usacheer.net and dance teams should email dancemusic@varsity.com. Please check Preferred Provider list for updates and changes periodically.

Teams must be able to provide proof of licensing, in the form of a printed copy, during registration at the event they are attending.

If a team does not have the required paperwork, they will be given the option to perform to an approved track of music or a track with counts (provided by Varsity Spirit).

If a team does not have the required paperwork, and chooses not to perform to the approved track of music or a track with counts, the team will be disqualified from the competition and not be allowed to perform.

If there are concerns regarding a team's use of music, a Challenge Form must be completed immediately following the team's performance.

A challenge can only be made by the official coach, advisor, director or gym owner of a team competing at the event at which the challenge is being made.

Challenge Process

- All music challenges must be submitted in writing to the event director.
- There will be a \$100 fee to request a music challenge, which must be in the form of a check made payable to St Jude Children's Research Hospital.
- Challenges will be reviewed and finalized within 48 hours of the event.
- If the challenge is correct, fees collected will be voided. If the challenge is incorrect, fees will be donated to St. Jude.

Each team is required to have a representative remain at the music station that knows the routine and music. This representative is responsible for starting the music and stopping the music in case of technical malfunction or injury. Please make sure that all devices have a head phone jack to connect to sound system and are fully charged, volume turned up and placed in airplane mode.