Director / Instructor

As is outlined 2020 WGI Adjudication Manual and Rulebook (see page 14), all A Class color guards should be aware of the Classification Review procedure for this season:

- The top three (3) Scholastic and Independent A Class color guards will automatically be reviewed at every Regional. Open Class color guards will be reviewed when circumstances warrant.
- Classification review may occur more than once, any time during the Regional competitive calendar.
- The Review Committee consisting of the five (5) Steering Committee Instructors and the Education Coordinator will vote on reclassification. The Director of Color Guard will break any ties.
- A video of a recent performance or rehearsal must be provided by the color guard within 72 hours of their most recent Regional. Instructions on how to upload the video will be sent by the WGI office. If a video is not provided within the 72 hours, the review will take place using information from WGI Staff including but not limited to, Steering Committee Members, Lead Judges, Contest Administrators, Director of Color Guard, Education Coordinator, Chief Judge.
- If a determination cannot be made because of video quality or discrepancies between the performance and the video, then information from WGI personnel listed above will be used.
- A decision will be made within ten (10) days and the Director of Color Guard will notify the color guard in question of the result.
- Units reclassified into the next class will go on first at their next Regional, if that schedule has been published. If performance times have not been published, the unit will be included in the draw for performance order.
- If the Review Committee reclassifies a color guard, the director may submit a letter of appeal on extenuating circumstances on why this would adversely affect their color guard. The committee may then re-open the review and decide whether the circumstances warrant a reversal of the decision.
- Appeals will be reviewed by a committee of three individuals not on the original committee, consisting of the Director of Color Guard, Chief Judge, and Chief Executive Officer. If the Director of Color Guard broke a tie in the original decision, a Caption Manager will take their place on the appeals committee.
- Each Reclassified Unit will be assigned a Steering Committee instructor as a one-time consultant to assist in the transition into the next class.