



Hi WGI:

As we begin to move towards a full schedule of competitions in 2022, WGI is pleased to announce that the Color Guard and Percussion Advisory Boards have approved to temporarily extend the age eligibility rule for the 2022 competitive season. This decision considered those performers whose final age-out year fell within the canceled 2020 and 2021 seasons due to COVID-19. This decision will have no impact or effect whatsoever on scholastic eligibility, which is governed by state and local law.

Eligibility rules amended as follows:

Color Guard

1.1 Color guards in the Independent A Classes from the United States composed of performers not over 24 years of age as of 12:01 AM on April 1, 2022, shall be permitted to compete in contests governed by WGI. Independent Open Class color guards from the United States may utilize performers not over 25 years of age as of April 1, 2022. Independent World Class color guard may compete with performers of any age. Each color guard appearing at a WGI contest shall be prepared to show proof of age. International independent color guards are not bound by any age limit except for US citizens performing with that group. US citizens performing with an international group may not exceed the age allowed for that classification.

Percussion

1.1 Percussion ensembles from the United States competing in the independent classes and composed of performers not over 24 years of age as of 12:01 AM on April 1, 2022, shall be permitted to compete in contests governed by WGI. Each percussion ensemble appearing at a WGI contest shall be prepared to show proof of age. International independent percussion ensembles are not bound by any limit.

Winds

All groups in the Winds divisions are not bound by any age limit, so no change is indicated.

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