

INFORMATION DOCUMENT

EUROPEANS 2022

COACHES MEETING

There will **no coaches meeting** on the venue as written in the preliminary schedule. We hope to answer your questions in this information document, and there will also be posted maps on the championship website.

VENUE

- The venue is called "Nikos Galis" Olympic Indoor Olympic Hall.
- It can be found if you search the following address: <u>Leof. Olimpionikou Spirou Loui, Marousi</u> <u>151 23, Greece</u>
- Access by public transport: Metro Line 1, stop «IRINI»
- You can access the entrance from the side that faces the parking lot and there will be signs from the metro as well.
- The team entrance will be marked with signs. It is on the Level 1 of the venue, first entrance when you come from the parking lot.

ACCREDITATIONS AND T-SHIRTS

Competition accreditations can be picked up along with the pre-ordered T-shirts if the T-shirts and registration fees have been paid.

The registration desk can be found at **the VIP entrance at the competition venue**, (a bit further down from the marked Athletes entrance)

Opening times:

Thursday 9.00-17.00 Friday: 9.00-15.00 Saturday: 9.00-17.00

LOCKER ROOMS

There will be enough locker rooms for all teams, but they are, as always, not very large. They will be divided in two areas and will be attributed by countries. Even though all athletes will be able to get changed, please mind that the changing areas are not big enough to welcome all athletes from a country at the same time. We therefore ask teams to use these areas only when preparing for their routines.



The locker rooms will mainly be on level -1, where the warm-up and competition area is located. A few countries will have access to locker rooms **on level 1**, by the athletes entrance. We will post a list of the locker rooms later. You are advised not to leave any valuables in the locker rooms.

Glitter spray MUST be used outdoors only!

The venue is large and nice, but it has not been built for cheerleading. You will meet a lot of signs on where to go, and we ask you to pay attention and follow them. Please respect locked off areas and locked doors. **There will be staff to guide and help.**

DOPING CONTROL

Please be aware that cheerleading is a sport that is tested for doping substances. All teams must **prepare for the possibility that doping tests may be performed** during the championships.

Please **observe the process for obtaining a Therapeutic Use Exempt** for any athletes using medicines that are on the prohibited drugs list of WADA.

These athletes will need to fill out, together with the doctor prescribing the medications, a TUE form. The form must be sent to, and approval obtained by, ICU. Please send it to: info@cheerunion.org A link to the TUE-form can be found here: http://cheerunion.org.ismmedia.com/ISM3/std-content/repos/Top/2013_Website/WADA/ICU_2015_TUE_Application-Form_2015-06.pdf If the athletes already hold an approved TUE which is still valid, they do not need to send a new application.

Any questions on this matter can be sent to info@cheerunion.org

SPECTATORS SEATS FOR ATHLETES

A **special area in the venue will be reserved for all athletes** that wish to support other teams competing. The seats will be accessible through the locker room area 1 on the upper level of the venue.

Athletes can also access these seats on the days they will not be competing.

LIVE STREAMING

A live **streaming link will be published** on our social media channels shortly before the event starts. Viewing will be free of charge.

PARADE OF NATIONS AND WELCOME CEREMONY

This ceremony will take place on **Saturday at 11.20**. We ask each country to **select 2 athletes** who will present themselves at the entrance to the competition floor at 11.00 to participate in the parade.

BACKSTAGE PROCEDURE

Despite earlier information sent to some teams, a **general warm-up area will be provided** for teams. This space will be located next to the timed warm-up room but will be separated with a different entrance and exit. Please follow the signs and staff to guide you on your way.



Before accessing the timed warm-up area, all team members (athletes, coaches, entourage) will be checked according to the submitted registration.

All team members will **need a valid ID** (passport or a national identity card with a picture). Athletes holding a different nationality than the country they represent, must bring a valid document with **proof of residency.** Please see ECU Rulebook for details.

Please be cooperative and **line up the teams** before the ID-check in alphabetical order (A to Z based on their last name).

The ID-check will be followed by a **piercing check**. Please observe the rules for piercing and jewelry.

In warm up there will be two floors with mats, both full size 16x14 meters (8 lengths), for cheerleading as well as performance cheer.

The competition floors have the dimensions of 16 x 14 meters (8 rolls/lengths); standard cheer mat and Marley floor for performance cheer.

After the competition, the teams will go to the **video room to watch their routine** on playback. The route back to the locker rooms will be marked with signs.

Spotters – each team is responsible to have their own spotters. No external spotters will be provided by the organizer. Please read General safety rules paragraph 14 on page 24 of the ECU Competition rulebook. All spotters must be the teams own members, maximum number per team is 6.

RESULTS AND AWARDS

<u>Friday</u>

The award ceremony for all performance cheer doubles divisions, and Team Cheer Advanced L4 will be held at the end of the day at the venue. Results will be announced on the event website.

The results from the semi-finals for Performance Cheer Team Jazz will be announced, as well as posted on the championship website.

Saturday

The results for all categories will be posted on the championships website at the end of the day.

No live announcements will take place at the venue itself.

The schedule for **Sunday** will be the teams in reversed order, beginning with the fifth ranking up to the first. **The running order will be posted on the championships website.**

<u>Sunday</u>

The award ceremony for all categories will be at the arena after end of competition.

Certificates will be handed out at the award ceremony.

Scoresheets will be sent by mail to the teams, using the mail address that each team has entered in the registration system for the competition.



AWARDS CEREMONY

The three highest ranking teams will be called to the podium in a random order. Their rankings will be announced and they will be invited to take the podium according to the place they took.

The national anthem of the winner will follow.

MUSIC

Please note that all teams must send their music in advance to the event organizer. More information on the website: <u>https://helleniccheerleadingfederation.gr/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Music-Instructions.pdf</u>

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT MUSIC HAS ALREADY PASSED. IF YOU STILL HAVE NOT SUBMITTED YOUR MUSIC, PLEASE DO IT NOW.

MEALS VOUCHERS

If you pre-ordered meals, the vouchers have been mailed to your team. Note that meals will be served from 12.00-16.00. The meals will be served in the athletes lounge by the athletes entrance.

If you did not pre-order meals, you can buy food at the venue.

TICKETS FOR SPECTATORS

Tickets for spectators are available for purchase at https://tickets.cheer.gr/

LIVE STREAMING

A live stream feed will be available for everyone that could not accompany your teams in Greece. The link will be posted on social media during the event.

Any more questions?

Mail ECU Secretary General Tone Sparby at info@europencheerunion.com.