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- 1. IASF Cheer Legality Rules:
 - Outlines the rules for All Star Cheer Levels 1-7.
- 2. ACU Cheer Age Grid:
 - Outlines the divisions on offer, including ages, team sizes and levels for each division.
- 3. ACU Cheer Deduction System:
 - Outlines the definitions for routine infractions and rule violations for All Star cheer routines
- 4. ACU Cheer General Scoring:
 - Outline general information regarding divisions, building information, and tumbling information.
- 5. ACU Cheer Image Policy:
 - Outlines the expectations and requirements regarding appropriateness of choreography as well as appearance.
- 6. ACU Cheer Novice Rules:
 - Outlines specific requirements within the novice division
- 7. ACU Cheer Scoring Rubric:
 - Outlines the requirements and how an All Star cheer routine will be scored.
- 8. ACU Cheer Skills List:
 - Includes examples of elite level appropriate skills.
- 9. ACU Cheer University General Scoring:
 - Outlines specific requirements within the university divisions
- 10. ACU Cheer Stunt General Guidelines
 - Outlines general rulings and policies within the stunt divisions



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In order to increase coach and team ability to show their strengths and creativity, level appropriate examples have been moved to the end of this document.

The previous level appropriate examples were not required but provided an example of what could be used in a specific level.

Please note that on the level grid, all skills allowed at a particular level encompass all skills allowed in the preceding level. If a skill is not allowed in a particular level, it is also not allowed in the preceding level(s).

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Inversion Style	Release Style	Twisting Style	Dismount Style	Combination Skills			
Elite Level 1 Appropriate							
• N/A	 Tic Toc At Waist Level (Body Position To Body Position) Tic Toc At Prep Level (Body Position To Body Position With Bracer) 	• ¼ Twisting Transition To Prep Level 2 Leg Stunt	• N/A	• ¼ Twisting Transition To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt With Required Hand/Arm Connection With A Base			
	Elite Level 2 Appropriate						
Inversion From Ground Level To Ext Stunt	Tic Toc Prep Level (Body Position To Body Position)	● ½ Twisting Transition To Ext Stunt	• N/A	 ½ Twisting Inversion To Ext Stunt ½ Twisting Inversion To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt ½ Twisting Tic Toc To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt 			
Elite Level 3 Appropriate							
Inversion To Ext 1 Leg Stunt	Tic Toc Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt To Ext Body Position Release From Waist Level Or Below To Prep Level Body Position	 Full Up To Prep Level Body Position Full Up To Ext 2 Leg Stunt ½ Twisting Transition To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Prep Level Full Twisting Transition To Prep Level Body Position Ext Full Twisting Transition To Ext 2 Leg Stunt 	• N/A	 Full Twisting Inversion To Ext Stunt ½ Twisting Inversion To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Full Twisting Tic Toc At Prep Level (1 Leg Stunt To Body Position) 			
Elite Level 4 Appropriate							
Released Inversion From Prep Level Or Below To Ext Stunt	 Tic Toc Ext Body Position To Prep Level Or Below Body Position (High To Low) Release To Ext Body Position (Not Including Switch Up) 	 1½ Twisting Transition To Prep Level Body Position 1½ Twisting Transition At Prep Level (Body Position To Body Position) Full Twisting Transition To Extended Lib 	• 2-2 ¼ Twisting Dismount From Ext 2 Leg Stunt	 Full Twisting Inversion To Ext Stunt Full Twisting Release Up To Prep Level Body Position 1½ Twisting Release Up To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt Full Twisting Tic Toc Release To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt Unassisted Coed Style Toss Ext 1 Arm Stunt 			



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		Full Twisting Transition At Extended Level			
Please note, in levels 5, 6 & 7 some of the Elite skills can also be performed legally in the level(s) below. This has been done to allow a reasonable number of Elite skill options for these levels.					
Elite Level 5 Appropriate					
Released Inversion From Prep Level Or Above To Ext 1 Leg Stunt	 Tic Toc Ext 1 Leg Stunt To Ext Body Position (High To High) ½ Twisting Ball Up To Ext Body Position ½ Twisting Switch Up To Ext Body Position 1-1½ Twisting Release To Ext 1 Leg Stunt 	2 Up To Ext Two Leg Stunt 1½ Twisting Transition To Ext 1 Leg Stunt	2-2¼ Twisting Dismount From Extended 1 Leg Stunt	 ¼ - 1½ Twisting Tic Toc To Ext 1 Leg Stunt (Low/ High To High) Unassisted Coed Style Toss Ext 1 Arm Stunt Unassisted Coed Style Toss Full Twist To Ext Stunt 	
		Elite Level 6 Appropriate			
 Released Inversion From Prep Level Or Above To Ext Body Position Backwards Free Flipping From Ground Level To Prep Level Or Above (Rewind) 	 Tic Toc Ext Body Position To Ext Body Position (High To High) Full Twisting Release To Ext Body Position 1½ -2¼ Ball Up, Tic Toc Release And/Or Other Release To Ext 1 Leg Stunt 	1½ - 1¾ Up To Ext Body Position 2-2¼ To Ext 1 Leg Stunt	Kick Double Twisting Dismount	 ½ Twisting Released Inversion To Ext Stunt Toss Front Handspring ½ Up Release To Ext Stunt Coed Style Toss Front Handspring Release ½ Twist To Ext Stunt Full Twisting Tic Toc To Ext 1 Leg Stunt (High To High) Unassisted Coed Style Toss Ext 1 Arm Stunt Unassisted Coed Style Toss Full Twist To Ext Stunt 	
Elite Level 7 Appropriate					
 Flipping From Ground Level To Ext Single Leg And/Or Single Arm Stunt Released Inversion From Prep Level Or Above To Ext Body Position Ground Level Handstand Released To Hand In Hand 	 Tic Toc Body Position To Body Position (High To High) Full Twisting Release To Ext Body Position 1½ -2¼ Ball Up, Tic Toc Release And/Or Other Release To Ext 1 Leg Stunt 	 Flipping With Twisting From Ground Level To Ext 1 Leg Stunt 1½ - 1¾ Up To Ext Body Position 2-2¼ To Ext 1 Leg Stunt 	Kick Double Twisting Dismount	 BHS Full Up To Ext Stunt Toss Front Handspring ½ -1½ Up To Ext Stunt Coed Style Toss Front Handspring Release ½ Twist To Ext Stunt Full Twisting Tic Toc To Ext 1 Leg Stunt (High To High) Unassisted Coed Style Toss Ext 1 Arm Stunt Unassisted Coed Style Toss Full Twist To Ext Stunt 	





Tumbling	Tumbling:					
Level	Level Appropriate Standing Tumbling Skills	Level Appropriate Running Tumbling Skills				
N	 Forward Roll; Straddle Roll; Handstand; Handstand Forward Roll; Front Limber; Cartwheel; Backward Roll; Back Extension Roll; Push Up To Bridge; Standing To Bridge; Bridge Kickover; Tabletop Bridge and bridge variations not allowed for Tiny 	Cartwheel; Roundoff; Forward Roll Cartwheel Roundoff; Handstand Forward Roll Cartwheel Roundoff				
L1	Forward Roll; Straddle Roll; Handstand; Handstand Forward Roll; Front Limber; Cartwheel; Backward Roll; Back Extension Roll; Push Up To Bridge; Standing To Bridge; Bridge Kickover; Front Walkover; Back Walkover	Cartwheel; Front Walkover; Round Off; Cartwheel Back Walkover; Front Walkover To Cartwheel/Roundoff; Cartwheel 1/2 Turn Front Walkover; Connected Skills Cartwheel/Back Walkover				
L2	Any pass inclusive of a back handspring	 Any pass inclusive of a back handspring Any pass inclusive of front handspring 				
L3	BHS Series; Jump To BHS; Jump To BHS Series; BHS Series Jump BHS Series; BHS Step Out BHS Combo	Aerial Cartwheel; Punch Front;Any pass inclusive of a back tuck				
L4	Any pass inclusive of a back tuckOnodi	 Cartwheel Back Tuck; Punch Front Step Out To Round Off BHS Whip BHS To Back Tuck; Front Handspring Punch Front; Front Handspring Punch Front Through To Round Off BHS Back Tuck/Layout; Front Aerial Any pass inclusive of a layout 				
L5	Any pass inclusive of a layout Jump to back tuck	Any pass inclusive of a full twisting layout				
L6 & L7	Jump to back tuck	Cartwheel Full; Round Off Full; Round Off BHS Full; Front Walkover Through To Full; Side Aerial/Front Aerial/Onodi Through To Full; Front Full				
	Elite Level Appropriate Standing Tumbling Skills:	Elite Level Appropriate Running Tumbling Skills:				
	Any pass inclusive of full or double twisting skill	 Front Handspring Front Full; Punch Front Step Out To Full; Roundoff BHS Whip To Full; Round Off Arabian Round Off BHS Full; Round Off BHS Full BHS Series To Full; Any pass inclusive of a double twisting layout 				

• Hitch Kick Full; Switch Kick Full; Kick Kick Full; Pike Kick Full; Kick Full Kick, Double Full

Touch; Hitch Kick Double Full; Switch Kick Double Full; Kick Full Kick Full

• Ball Double Full; Pike Double Full; Kick Double Full; Toe Touch Double Full; Double Up Toe

• Layout Full; Layout Double Full; X-out Full; Split Full; Arabian 1½; Pike Open Double Full



L5

L6

• Pike Hitch Kick; Pike Kick Pretty Girl; Pike Switch Kick; Hitch Kick Kick

• Pike Hitch Kick; Pike Kick Pretty Girl; Pike Switch Kick; Hitch Kick Kick

• Tuck; X-out; Pike; Layout

Jumps:					
Level	Basic Jumps	Basic Jumps Advanced Jumps			
N/A	Spread Eagle/Star Jump, Tuck Jump	Pike, Right/Left Hurdler (Front Or Side), Toe Touch			
Tosses:	Tosses:				
Level	Non-Twisting	Twisting			
Level L2	Non-Twisting • Straight Ride Toss	Twisting • N/A			
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Building: Level Appropriate Examples						
Inversion Style	Release Style	Twisting Style	Dismount Style	Combination Skills		
Novice Level Appropriate						
• N/A	 Switch Up To Lib At Waist Level Switch Up To Body Position At Waist Level Tic Toc At Or Below Waist Level (Lib To Lib) Tic Toc At Waist Level (Lib To Body Position) 	• ¼ Twisting Transition To/From Waist Level	Step Down Straight Cradle	 Back Stand Prep Level Show And Go V-sit Flat Back Ext V Sit Waist Level 1 Leg Stunt Ext Flat Back Prep Level 2 Foot Stunt Shoulder Sit Combination Of Two Or More Level Appropriate Skills Performed Simultaneously 		
		Level 1 Appropriate Examples				
• Inversion To Ground Level	 Switch Up To Lib At Waist Level Switch Up To Body Position At Waist Level Tic Toc At Waist Level (Lib To Lib) Tic Toc At Waist Level (Lib To Body Position) 	• ¼ Twisting Transition To / From Prep Level Or Below	Step DownStraight Cradle	 Back Stand Prep Level Show And Go V-sit Flat Back Ext V-sit Waist Level Level 1 Leg Stunt Ext Flat Back Prep Level To Prone 		
		Level 2 Appropriate Examples				
 Inversion From Ground Level To Below Prep Level Inversion From Ground Level To Prep Level 	 Switch Up To Prep Level 1 Leg Tic Toc Prep Level (Lib To Lib) Tic Toc Prep Level (Lib To Body Position) 	 ½ Twisting Transition To Prep Level Or Below ½ Twisting Transition To Prep Level ¼ Twisting Transition To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt ¼ Twisting Transition To Prep Level Body Position ¼ Twisting Transition To Ext Stunt Log Roll 	 Straight Cradle From Ext Straight Cradle From Prep Level Body Position ¼ Twisting Dismount From Prep Or Ext 	 Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt Extension Leap Frog Variations ½ Twist To Prone Walk In Prep Level Press Ext 		



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 Inverted At Prep Level Or Below Downward Inversion From Below Prep Level 	 Release To Prep Level Or Below Switch Up To Prep Level Lib Ball Up, Straddle Up And/Or Release To Prep Level Lib Tic Toc Below Prep Level To Below Prep Level (Lib To Lib) Tic Toc Below Prep Level To Prep Level (Lib To Lib) 	 Full Up Below Prep Level Full Up Prep Level Stunt ¼ Twisting Transition To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Full Up Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt Prep Level Full Twisting Transition To Prep Level 1 Leg Stunt 	 Straight Cradle Dismount From Ext 1 Leg Stunt Full Twisting Dismount From Prep ¼ Twisting Dismount From Ext 1 Leg Full Twisting Dismount From Ext Single Skill Cradle From 2 Leg Stunt (Non-twisting) 	 Full Twist To Prone From Prep Level Ext 1 Leg Stunt Suspended Front Flip Specialty Suspended Front Flip (Non-twisting) Suspended Twisting Front Flip Toss Hands Single Based 1 Leg Ext Stunts Toss Hands Pause Press Ext Walk In Ext 	
		Level 4 Appropriate Examples			
 Released Inversion To Prep Level Or Below Released Inversion At Prep Level To Prep Level Downward Inversion From Prep Level Ext Inverted Stunt 	 Switch Up To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Release To Ext Stunt Tic Toc Lib To Lib (High To Low) Helicopter Release Moves Release To Ext Lib Switch Up To Ext Body Position Full Twisting Release To Prep Level Or Below Release From Prep Level To Prep Level 	 1 ¹/₂ Twisting Transition To Below Prep Level 1 ¹/₂ Twisting Transition To Prep Level ³/₄ Twisting Transition To Ext Stunt 1 ¹/₂ Twisting Transition To Prep Level Lib 1 1/2 Twisting Transition At Prep Level (Lib To Lib) FULL Twisting Transition To Ext 2 Leg Stunt 	 Kick Full Twisting Dismount 2-2¼ Twisting Dismount From Prep 2 Leg Stunt 1-1¼ Dismount From 1 Leg Stunt Up To 2 Skills Dismounts To Cradle 	Toss Ext Toss 1 Leg Ext Stunt	
		Level 5 Appropriate Examples			
Downward Inversion From Ext Stunt Downward Inversion From Ext 1 Leg Stunt	 ¼ Twisting Switch Up To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Tic Toc Lib To Lib (High To High) ½ Twisting Switch Up To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Twisting Helicopter Release Moves 	 2 Twisting Transition To Prep Level 1¼ Up To Ext Stunt 	Up To 3 Trick Dismounts To Cradle	2 Twist To Prone Toss ¼ - ¾ Twist To Ext 2 Leg Stunt Toss Full Twist Ext Stunt	
Level 6 Appropriate Examples					
 Downward Inversion From Ext Stunt Downward Inversion From Ext 1 Leg Stunt 	 Tic Toc Lib To Body Position (High To High) Twisting Helicopter Release Moves Switch Up Full Twist To Ext 1 Leg Stunt ½ Twisting Ball Up To ExtBody Position 	 2-2¼ Up To Prep Level Stunt 1¾ -2¼ Up To Ext Stunt 1¾ -2¼ Up To Ext 1 Leg Stunt 1¾ - 2¼ Twisting Transition 	 2-2¼ Twisting Dismount From 1 Leg Stunt Dismounts From Inversion With ½ Twist Up To 3 Skill Dismounts To Cradle 	 2 Twist To Prone Toss ¼-¾ Twist To Ext Stunt Toss Full Twist Ext Stunt ¼-¾ Twisting Tic Toc To Ext 1 Leg Stunt Full Twisting Tic Toc To Ext 1 Leg Stunt (Low To High) 	





Level 7 Appropriate Examples					
 Toe Or Leg Pitch Type Toss Into Free Flipping Skill Free Flipping Transitions From Prep Level Downward Inversion From Above Prep Level To Ground Side-somi To Stunt Front Free Flipping From Ground Level To Stunt 	 Coed Style Toss To New Base(s) Helicopter Release Moves With 2 Bases Release From Prep Level Or Below To Inverted Prep Level Stunt 	Flipping With Twisting From Ground Level To Stunt	 Front Free Flipping To Ground Level Free Flipping From Prep Level Or Below To Cradle Free Flipping With Twisting From Prep Level Or Below To Cradle 	BHS 1-2¼ Up To Ext Stunt BHS Rewind To Ext Stunt To Ext Stunt	