

## 1. Registration deadline

1.1 Registration for the DCE Championships can be done during November the year before, exclusively via the online form on the DCE website.

1.2 If, by the end of November, fewer corps have applied than the number of places available, the registration deadline will be extended and applications after 1st December will be honoured in the order in which they are received.

## 2. Selection criteria

2.1 If your corps registers in November and, during the DCE Championships of that year, you also reached the top 10 of the Open Class or the top 3 of the Cadet Class, you will be assured of a place in next year's DCE Championships.

2.2 If you register in November, but do not meet the selection criteria mentioned in paragraph 2.1, there is still a chance you may be able to participate. The remaining places will be allocated by DCE. Wildcards will be distributed amongst corps who do not satisfy the above criteria. Allocation of wildcards will be based on factors such as past achievements, distribution per country and distribution per class. No correspondence will be entered into with regard to wildcard allocations. The maximum number of participants will be 22.

2.3 Corps who will be participating in the DCE Championships, must also participate in at least one DCE Certified Show in their own country in the same year. This rule doesn't apply to countries where no Certified Show is scheduled.

## 3. Participants list and announcement

On December 9th, all corps who have registered for the DCE Championships, but who do not meet the criteria for automatic selection, will receive an email informing them whether or not they have been selected. On December 14th, Drum Corps Europe will publish the list of participants on their website.

## 4. Registration fee and deposit

4.1 The registration fee amounts to 75 euros and is due no later than 1st February. If the registration fee is not paid by that date, the registration fee will be raised to 150 euros. It is not possible to refund registration fees. Invoices will be sent in December.

4.2 A deposit of 200 euros will be charged, which must be paid before 1st February. If the deposit is not paid on time, this can result in exclusion from participation. The deposit will be stated on the invoice for the registration fee.

4.3 After actual participation in the DCE Championships, the deposit will be refunded no later than three weeks after the event has taken place. If, for whatever reason, your participation is cancelled after registration, the deposit will not be refunded.

## 5. Order of performance Open Class prelims

5.1. The order of performance for Open Class Prelims will be determined by each corps' highest Open Class score achieved at one of the DCE certified shows during the season, with the corps obtaining the highest score going on last.

5.2. DCE will use a corps' Prelims score from the previous years DCE Championships for the seedings if:-

- the corps doesn't have a DCE certified show in their country during September, and
- the corps doesn't enter a DCE certified show in another country during September, and
- the corps' scores at DCE certified shows prior to September (if any) are lower than their Prelims score at the previous DCE Championships

5.3 The above points also apply to A-Class scores. A-Class corps will be the first corps scheduled to appear at the Prelims, followed by the Open Class corps. New corps without a certified score will perform first.

## 6. Audio, video and photos

You agree to any photos, audio and video recordings taken by DCE, or third parties authorised by DCE, during the DCE Championships 2009 and other possible activities organised by Drum Corps Europe in 2009.

## 7. Declaration of agreement

By submitting the registration form, you agree to these terms and conditions.