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Cheerleading – Game Day Scoring adjustment

Action ItemXDiscussion Item
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Proposal: Adjust Game Day Score Sheets for 2025-2027
Effective Start Date: Fall 2025 Season

Rationale:

- These new score sheets better align NYS with the rest of the country in terms of the Game Day format and scoring categories.
- These new score sheets make each scoring element more clear to both coaches and judges, by just reorganizing and breaking down the scoring categories, while NOT changing any of the elements that we currently score in NY Game Day. The only true difference from what we are currently doing is requiring dismounts from stunts between the Sideline and Cheer.
- The scoring categories reflect both the UCA and NCA scoring elements. The point spread is a better representation of the length of elements in each section of the Game Day routine. For example, the current score sheet equally spreads 20 points across 4 sections, however, the situational sideline is significantly shorter than the other sections.
- There are minimal "combined" scoring elements. The current score sheet has scoring categories such as "Motion Technique & Crowd Leading Tools". It is difficult for judges to appropriately account for both of these elements in a single score and 5 points is not appropriate for 2 elements that are used throughout a given section of the routine. The new score sheet breaks these elements into 2 separate categories. Breaking these elements down also helps coaches to better understand the areas in which they excel or need improvement.
- No category is over 5 points, making it easier and more consistent for officials to score.

Proposal Originated:

After reviewing the first two State Competitions.

Budgetary Impact:

None.

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Attachments:

Proposed Score sheets

CAC Feedback: