



POLE UNITY COMPETITOR RULES & REGULATIONS

APPLICANT NOTIFICATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Successful Applicants will be invited to compete in the relevant division of our competition
- **All** Applicants will be advised by email whether they are successful and sent judges' feedback.
- Finalists will be announced on our Social Media pages & provided with social media images

JUDGING - Finalists

- We will be using an expert judging panel experienced in the art of Pole.
- Live performances will be marked according to [Pole Unity Judging Criteria](#)
- No contact with the judges is permitted on the day of the competition.
- The judges' decision is final

MUSIC GUIDELINES

- Music must be within the time limit allocated for your division and approved by the organisers.
 - Up & Coming - 2:45
 - Amateur - 3:00
 - Semi-pro - 3:30
 - Professional - 4:00
 - Doubles - 4:00
 - Pole Artistry - 4:30
- Profanities or songs that could be seen to be derogatory are not permitted
- Song choice should be submitted as soon as possible as it will be on a first in basis
- **You are required to submit song information by at least one month prior to the competition date for music licensing purposes and final cut by 3 weeks before the show date.**
- Music will be required in a high res mp3 format and clearly labelled with name and division.

STAGE AND POLE SET UP **Subject to minimal changes*

- We will be using 2 x 3.3m (possibly 3.4m), 40mm width, brass competition grade X-poles
- They will be approximately 3m apart.
- Stage Width 7.5 metres
- There will be approximately 2 metres to the front and back of the poles
- **Pole configuration for all Solo Competitors**
 - Stage Left - SPIN (performer's left when looking out to the audience)
 - Stage Right - STATIC (performer's right when looking out to the audience)
- **Pole configuration for Doubles Performers**
 - Can be specified by competitors
 - Please be aware that you are judged on synchronisation
- **Pole configuration for Pole Artistry**
 - Can be specified by performer

COSTUMES

- No nudity is permitted. This includes see-through costumes where the nipples or genitals are visible. This will result in disqualification.
- G-strings, thongs and pasties are not permitted
- Clothing can be removed during the performance as long as the above rules are adhered to
- There will be deductions for costume malfunctions or not following costume rules
- Shoes are optional



USE OF LIGHTING

- We will use stage washes (colour) and white front light for all competitors
- Competitor Lighting cue sheets are required to be returned by **2 weeks prior** to the event date
- Anything you are unsure of can be finalised with the theatre lighting tech on the day .
- Back screen video is optional for Pole Artistry performers only

PROPS

- **All props must be approved.**
- **The deadline to submit prop requests in writing is 3 weeks prior to the event**
- Stage props must be able to be set and cleared by no more than 2 people in under 90 seconds
- No glitter, confetti, feathers, leaves, oil, water or other product that makes a mess are permitted
- The competitor must be the only person on stage during their performance
- You are not permitted to touch the rigging or hang off the rigging during your performance
- Human props are not permitted

GRIPS

- We do allow Grip products to be applied to the pole if requested.
** This must be approved prior to the event and you must supply your own grip*
- Use of clothing-style grip aids (PVC clothing & accessories, gloves etc) are permitted.
- Itac, Monkey Hands & Glitter Dancing Dust are **not** permitted
- If you know your grip aid leaves a residue or is hard to remove it may need approval

ARRIVAL TIME & TECH REHEARSALS

- Attendance at your stage rehearsal and competitor briefing on competition day are mandatory.
- You will need to be at the theatre and check in with staff *at least* 1 hour prior to your designated rehearsal time
- You will be allocated a rehearsal time to run your full routine with music

PHOTOS & VIDEOS

- Pole Unity employs a professional photographer and videographer to record all performances.
- Professional photos and videos will be supplied to all performers at no cost to you.
For this reason we ask that you please do not post full videos of your show prior to receiving these videos
- Please tag the photographer and videographer in your posts

SAFETY & RESPONSIBILITY

- Pole Unity will employ highly-trained medical staff to be on site to provide medical assistance in the event of an injury or emergency (eg. St John Medic).
- We will have a physiotherapist on site
- Consumption of drugs or alcohol by performers on the day of, before or during the event, is strictly prohibited and will result in disqualification.
- Competitors and performers must check in and out at the theatre and be onsite at times allocated to rehearsals, meetings and show calls
- Disrespect or violence towards any fellow performer, Pole Unity staff and organisers, theatre and event staff will not be tolerated.
- Pole Unity is not liable for any loss, injury or damage incurred by a competitor or performer during any stage of the competition/showcase.



GENERAL LIABILITY RELEASE OF CLAIMS

In registering for Pole Unity ((*Hereafter known as "the Event"*)), co-ordinated by Core Fusion Studios Pty Ltd trading as Pole Unity (*Hereafter known as "the Business"*), I acknowledge that:

- (a) I am the participant.
- (b) Pole dancing / Pole fitness (*hereafter known as "the Activity"*) is a dangerous recreational activity which involves a significant risk of physical harm and there is a risk I may be injured in performing *the Activity*.
- (c) My personal property may be lost, damaged or destroyed in the course of performing *the Activity*.
- (d) The natural conditions in which *the Activity* is conducted may vary without warning.
- (e) My participation in *the Activity* is voluntary
- (f) I will disclose any pre-existing medical or other condition that may affect the risk that either I or any other person will suffer injury, loss or damage. *The Business* relies on information provided by me and I state that all such information is accurate and complete.
- (g) I am aware of the dangers associated with the consumption of alcohol, mind altering substance, drug or other substance which may impair my judgement or physical ability or capacity to safely participate in *the Activity* and accept full responsibility for any injury, loss or damage associated with the above and acknowledge this will also result in my removal from *the Activity*.
- (h) This document records the agreement between the Business and I in relation to *the Activity* and my participation in *the Event*.
- (i) I have not relied upon any advice or inducements by or on behalf of *the Business* in deciding to:
- (j) participate in *the Event*; and (ii) sign this document.

WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNITY

I hereby agree to release and hold harmless *the Business*, its servants, employees and agents from and against any liability arising out of any injury, loss, damage or death caused to me or my property or any other person arising from or in connection with my participation in *the Activity* and *the Event*, whether such injury, loss, damage or death was caused directly or indirectly by negligence, breach of contract or any way whatsoever other than was caused solely by the negligence of *the Business*, its servants, employees or agents.

I agree to comply with all rules and directions made or given by *the Business* in connection with *the Activity*.

I agree to report all accidents, injuries or loss or damage sustained by me to *the Business* before I leave the site on which *the Activity* is performed.

I agree that if I suffer any injury or illness I agree that *the Business* may provide or arrange evacuation, first aid and medical treatment at my expense.

I further agree to assume any financial responsibility for acts of vandalism or property destruction instigated or caused by me

I understand that failure to comply with the rules and regulations may result in disqualification from *the Event*



MODEL RELEASE for PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOS

All performers will be supplied with a copy of their video free of charge

Unless you request otherwise, Videos will be uploaded to Pole Unity's

- Youtube Channel
- Social Media Platforms

All photos will be uploaded to Pole Unity's

- Social Media Platforms
- Webpage

Option to purchase additional high res photos will be available.

Any sharing of photos and videos must give credit to / tag Pole Unity and the photographer *Jason Matz Photography & Ultimate Imagery* or videographer *Created by Giles* and all watermarks must remain intact

I understand that all professional photos and videos of *the Event* are property of *the Business*

I, the undersigned, give permission for any photos or videos taken in relation to *the Event* either by myself or *the Business* to be shared publicly on social media, our website or any other related media.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that any photos or videos taken in relation to *the Event* either by myself or *the Business* which I share publicly on social media or any other related media will retain any watermarks and acknowledge Pole Unity and the photographer or videographer of *the Event*.