

2026 Regional Competition Eligibility Requirements

CHORUSES

- All competing members of the chorus must be members of Sweet Adelines International and in good standing with their chorus.
 - All competitor names MUST appear on the chorus' official membership roster at IHQ as of the day before the actual competition.
- All competing members (including dual members) must appear on the List of Competing Members form turned into the CC at the competition briefing.
- No chapter-at-large member, associate member, or member-at-large may compete with a chorus in a regional competition.
 - **A CAL member can compete with a chorus NOT in the same region in which they hold a CAL membership.
- The competing chorus must be in good standing with Sweet Adelines International and with the region.
- A dual member is allowed to compete with each chorus of which she is a member. Unless the dual member is directing one of the choruses, no special considerations are given for the draw for Order of Appearance.
- A member of Sweet Adelines International may sing with the chorus of which they are a member and direct a chorus of which they are not a member.
- A member of Sweet Adelines International may direct the chorus of which they are a member and also direct a chorus of which they are not a member.
- Prospective choruses may enter regional chorus competition for Evaluation Only or Open Division.
- Mic-Testing Choruses
 - o Mic-testing choruses may be any chorus or group of members from the region.
 - There is no specific qualifying singing level of the chorus for them to be eligible.
 - o They must know the words and notes to a song and have sung together before performing onstage.
 - Mic-testing choruses are <u>only eligible to compete for Evaluation Only or Open Division and must</u> <u>compete last.</u>
- Competition Host Chapter
 - A competing chorus that has been designated the competition assistance chapter has the following options, provided it is competing for *Open Division, Evaluation Only, or Evaluation Only: Internationally Bound:*
 - It may make no special request, thereby retaining the position assigned to it by the official drawing for order of appearance; or
 - It may choose either the first or last competing position by checking the appropriate box on the Regional Chorus Entry Form provided by the Competition Department at IHQ before the 60day regional deadline. If such notification is not received by the Competition Department at IHQ by the above deadline, the chorus retains the position assigned to it by the official drawing

- for order of appearance.
- If a Competition Assistance Chapter is competing for placement, that chorus does not have the option to be drawn first or last.
- 2026 Harmony Classic/International Chorus Competitors:
 - o If your chorus is competing in the 2026 International Contest, then you are considered *Internationally Bound*.
 - If your chorus is competing in the 2026 Chorus Semifinals Competitors (1st place, 2nd place representative, and wildcard chorus), your chorus may enter regional contest for Evaluation Only, Evaluation Only: Internationally Bound or Open Division. This means:
 - Your chorus may <u>only</u> enter regional contest for Evaluation Only, Evaluation Only: Internationally Bound, or Open Division.
 - Harmony Classic Competitors (who did not place 1st in the previous regional contest)
 - Your chorus may compete for qualification in another division (i.e. you qualified for Harmony Classic A in 2025 but wish to compete at regionals for the Harmony Classic AA or International Chorus Contest in 2026).
- Note: Competitors may not switch from Open Division/Evaluation Only: Internationally Bound to International Division/Evaluation Only, or vice versa, after the FINAL order of appearance.

For more information regarding eligibility requirements, please refer to the Competition Handbook. If you have any questions specific to your regional convention, please contact your Competition Coordinator (CC). If you have any questions regarding competition, please contact the Competition Department at IHQ.