



May 2018

Annwyl Gyfaill

It is a pleasure to forward details regarding the Urdd National Eisteddfod 2018 which will be held on the Showground in Llanellwedd.

I would like to remind you that it will not be possible to move from the back stage area into the Pavilion to watch a competition. Leaders and parents should decide beforehand who stays in the back stage area and who goes into the Pavilion to watch the competition. A screen will be available in the back stage area to watch all performances.

Everyone is advised to arrive at the car parks early (follow the signs) in order to arrive at the Eisteddfod Maes in plenty of time to avoid any problems. Naturally, roads around the Eisteddfod are busy and we urge competitors and instructors to ensure plenty of time for the journey to arrive on time for your preliminary competition **at least 30 minutes** before the time stated on your timetable. You are expected to register with the Preliminary Clerk and be ready to perform before the stated time if required. The Eisteddfod has the right to adapt the programme and **preliminary competitions cannot be held open for anyone.**

If you are competing in more than one competition we kindly ask you to follow the order in the itinerary and also to follow the instructions of the Preliminary Officials on the day in order to ensure a smooth and efficient Eisteddfod for all.

Wrist Bands - Eisteddfod yr Urdd 2018

Anyone who needs access to the back stage area and the Dance Pavilion back stage area (apart from competitors) will need wrist bands. This includes instructors, teachers and parents. All branches can get up to 5 wrist bands. You may collect the wristbands at the Eisteddfod Office after result of the prelim. There are different bands for each day of the week.

Other documents on-line:

- 1) Your preliminary competitions timetable
- 2) Rules of conduct for competitors
- 3) Heavy Equipment
- 4) Bus Travel Arrangements
- 5) Harp Registration Form **(by Tuesday 15th May)**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and I wish you all the best at the Eisteddfod !

Aled Siôn

Cyfarwyddwr yr Eisteddfod Director



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COMPETITORS, INSTRUCTORS, PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

Urdd Gobaith Cymru expects competitors, instructors and supporters to engage in the spirit of fair play and chwarae teg in all the movements activities.

It is the aim of the Urdd Eisteddfod to ensure that Urdd members compete and perform in various competitions in the spirit of fair play and in a completely safe environment.

Adults should not under any circumstances:

- insult other competitors or their supporters
- argue with, or shout abuse at Urdd officials or others and they should encourage others from doing likewise
- behave in a threatening or aggressive manner towards others either physically or verbally
- publicly criticize other competitors or place them under undue pressure and unnecessary or inappropriate levels of stress
- encourage or suggest cheating
- engage in any harassment type of behavior towards other competitors and supporters
- place undue pressure on their children and young people and publicly criticize them in front of others
- publicly question any decision made by an adjudicator or an Urdd official. All complaints and remarks should be made by following the appropriate procedure

Competitors should:

- show respect and fair play to all other competitors
- compete within the rules
- respect Urdd officials, teachers and supporters and accept all decisions made by adjudicators and officials without question

Heavy Equipment

If you have any heavy equipment which is too heavy to carry to the preliminary competitions there will be vehicles available to assist you, located near the Canolfan Groeso (Welcome Pavilion). If you require assistance go to the desk in the Canolfan Groeso.

Note – Leave plenty of time to arrive at the preliminary competitions, and please be patient. We will expect one member (no more than this) to go in the vehicle with their equipment in order to unload and take responsibility for the equipment at the end of the journey.

The Urdd accepts no responsibility for the equipment whilst transporting it.