

UILREGION 6 MUSIC

OFFICIAL TIMING FOR AREA A MARCHING EVENTS

To assure that there is no confusion concerning the timing of your marching show, the clock procedures will be as follows. Please read these procedures and assure that your drum majors are aware.

* The 5:00 minute clock will begin when the announcer states that the next band in the class has five minutes to prepare for their contest presentation. The five minutes prior to your performance may be used in any way you deem appropriate in order to assume your starting position and prepare for the beginning of the show. Activities may include warm-up and/or cadence.

* When the 5:00 minute clock shows :45 the announcement will begin (please be certain that you have provided an official announcer script for the contest). The beginning of this announcement will indicate that the performance timing will begin in 45 seconds.

* When the 5:00 minute clock shows :20, the clock will be reset to 8:00 and the final :20 will be kept on a stopwatch in the press box.

* The 8:00 timing of your show will begin when the final minute expires.

* Judges will be instructed to not begin judging until the 8:00 minute performance clock shows 7:59.

* At the conclusion of each band's performance the post script will be read while the band will have two (2) minutes to exit the field and clear the marching surface of all equipment, instruments and props. The use of either instrumental or verbal cadence is optional. <u>A BAND</u> <u>THAT FAILS TO BE CLEAR OF THE FIELD (OUTSIDE THE SIDELINES OR ENDLINES) OR CONTINUES TO USE INSTRUMENTAL OR VERBAL CADENCE AT THE END OF TWO MINUTES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.</u>