



Please ensure that you read and follow the below rules to ensure that the competition runs smoothly and fairly

Acts Application Rules

- ❖ The competition is open to all types of performers, not just drag artists. You have to be over 18 due to the venues you will be competing in. This competition is to find new talent- the only exception is no strippers or fire acts (sorry but many venues do not hold a license to allow these types of performance).
- ❖ Acts that receive *regular* paid work in two or more participating venues cannot enter
- ❖ Acts can only apply for 3 venues. Applications can be made via the official Drag Idol UK website. You may also apply direct to the venues via our website where you'll find a link to their FB page.
- ❖ Acts are given 10 minutes stage time. Acts should not exceed 10 minutes and may be penalised should they do so. **Acts are encouraged to fill their 10 minute stage time.**
- ❖ Acts should have their backing tracks on CD format and should clearly indicate their music choices and in which order – completing the 'performance sheet' correctly. *DJ's are not responsible for providing adaptors for any other equipment* – acts may check with venues if alternatives may be used – this is at the discretion of the venue and the venue managers' decision is final. DJ's are not responsible for the quality of backing tracks.
- ❖ Acts must be at the venue at least one hour prior to the start of the competition heat so that their set list and 'performance sheet' can be organised with the host and DJ and a running order can be established.
- ❖ Any Acts that do not attend their heat will be disqualified from the entire competition unless the Act contacts the Venue Manager at least six hours prior to the competition and a 'valid' reason must be given. Any absence will be notified to the Drag Idol Committee who will make a decision on action to be taken- The Drag Idol Committee decision is final.
- ❖ Performers of venues, or employees at a venue who wish to enter Drag Idol must do so in a venue or venues that they do not work at. *You cannot host a Drag Idol heat in a venue and enter the competition in any other venue, you are either a host or a competitor.*
- ❖ All Acts must perform at approved Drag Idol heats at approved Drag Idol Venues only.
- ❖ If you win a heat then you are invited to the heat final, once you have won the heat you are obligated to be in the heat final, if you are a heat winner at more than one venue then you must participate in the heat finals in chronological order – should an Act refuse to participate in a heat final, they are then disqualified from the remainder of the competition. Once an Act wins a venue heat final then they must accept the honour and remove themselves from any other heats that they have entered. If the Act refuses to accept the winning position of any heat then the runner up Act will be chosen as the winner and the original winning act will be disqualified from the Drag Idol competition.
- ❖ Competitors who have entered the competition for 2019 may not sit on any judging panels.

- ❖ All previous entrants are allowed to re-enter (with the exception of winners) as long as they meet all other requirements.
- ❖ By entering online, you have confirmed that you are aware of these terms and conditions, and understand your obligations. – Any questions or clarification of these rules should be sent to dragidoluk2019@yahoo.com

The Wild Card / The Wild Card Event

- ❖ The Wild Card will be selected by the Drag Idol Committee on 'The Wild Card Event' and will be made up of the runner up of each Semi Final, The Head Judge at venues may also recommend a Wild Card entrant to the Drag Idol Committee for their consideration – inclusion of this Act is at the discretion of the Drag Idol Committee.
- ❖ The winner of the wild card will be notified exclusively and will be invited to the Boyz Magazine Photo shoot, the Wild Card Winner cannot reveal themselves until Boyz Magazine is released and makes the formal announcement.
- ❖ Any disclosure of the Wild Card from the Act, or any of the other Final Acts may result in disqualification from Drag Idol.

Heats/ Semi Finals/ Wild Card – Dates of Availability

- ❖ Heats will run in Venues from 01 April 2019 to 31st May 2019 inclusive, the competition will run until the 30th June 2019. All entering Acts must be available to compete in the Semi-Finals in either of the two locations, the 'wild card' event in London, and for a photo shoot for Boyz Magazine during the day of the Finals in London. The winner will also perform at The Clapham Street Party (the day after the final) and the prestigious London Pride Stage. The semi-finals will be on 6th June in London, 8th June in Birmingham and 9th June back to London. The Wild Card heat which is at Halfway II Heaven will be on 16th June. And the grand finale is on 28th June at The Two Brewers.

Social Media, PR and Marketing

- ❖ Acts are encouraged to join the Drag Idol UK Facebook Group and share posts as often as they wish to do so - in a positive manner.
- ❖ Any requests for other PR and Marketing during the competition, either for an Act or for Drag Idol UK should be presented to the committee for authorisation – please note that the committee will only request that you do not participate in any distribution/PR/Marketing if it is deemed to have a negative connotation for the competition.

