

Team Competition Rules

This application is for those lodges or chapters who wish to have their ceremonial team's costumes chosen as a finalist in the first NOAC Ceremonial Team Costume Competition.

This application will be used to certify those lodges for finalist competition at NOAC 2012. A panel from the "Suit Up For Ceremonies" will select those teams for participation in the final round of competition. Lodge advisers will be informed if their team's costumes are chosen for the completion at NOAC. Those selected as finalists will be the only costumes participating in the 2012 NOAC competition. Medals for the top three teams will be awarded and public recognition will be made at the American Indian themed show at NOAC 2012. Those teams selected as finalists **must** attend an evaluation session at NOAC 2012 prior to being judged. **No** feedback will be given before, during, or after the competition. If your team is not selected as a finalist and you wish for comments or a discussion of your team's costume, please see the conference schedule for ceremonial costume evaluation.

Please complete this application and return to **Richard Hynes, 23 Brushwood Hill, Franklin, MA 02038** postmarked no later than **June 25, 2012** along with color photographs (front and rear views) of the costumes to be evaluated. Ceremonialists should be in this order (left to right) to be properly judged: Allowat Sakima, Meteu, Nutiket, and Kichkinet. Please include with this application a brief description of the costumes being worn which will include: region, tribe, and time period. Only those costumes which are worn for local lodge and chapter events and ceremonies throughout the past year will be accepted for this competition. *Costumes reserved for special occasions or for the purpose of competition only will not be considered!*

Please note this competition is for the Lodge **costume**, NOT necessarily the principal player. In an effort to help avoid scheduling conflicts the Lodge should note that anyone from the Lodge may present themselves in the costume for the competition.

Each ceremonialist must be younger than 21 years of age.