

SJD's & SAC's,

Please forward to your membership.

Thank you!
Marilyn

National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges

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REGION 3

Hi all,
Wow! The Fall Season flew by so quickly - almost as fast as the trees changing colors and losing their leaves. I love "Autumn leaves don't fall, they fly. They take their time and wander on this their only chance to soar". Autumn shows how beautiful change can be. I know you are memorizing the code changes and hope you are liking them as we hope the changes help create more beautiful routines. I know you are soaring to new heights with all the education and testing!



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Congratulations to Region 3 gymnasts competing at Worlds and all the International Competitions - so proud of our athletes and their accomplishments. They are definitely soaring to 'new heights'.

If I can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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2023 NATIONAL JUDGES CUP January 6-8, 2023

2023 National Judges Cup and Patty Shipman Level 7 Team Challenge.

This special event will be held at the Denton Convention Center in Denton, TX .
<https://nawgj.org/natl-judges-cup/>



NAWGJ National Symposium 2023

July 13-15, 2023

at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Mark your Calendar.... You don't want to miss the next NAWGJ National Symposium.
All are invited to join us

- 2023 Symposium Home Page <https://www.nawgj-symposium.com/>
- Registration - Early Bird Special! <https://www.nawgj-symposium.com/event-details/nawgj-national-symposium-2023>
- Hotel Rooms - Ready to Book!
<https://book.passkey.com/event/50369936/owner/2529966/home>
- 2023 NAWGJ Helping Hands Symposium Grant Form
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSSemt70aXT_kJv_VdfIXIWSCL2YOM0cQzb5fUqkGXRkcEw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

NAWGJ Green Flag Award

Congratulations recipients
for making outstanding contributions to our
organization, promoting professionalism, and
demonstrating leadership.

TEXAS: Melanie Cryer

OKLAHOMA: Alicia Toy



JUDGE'S JUDGING RUBRIC FOR 2024 STATE & ABOVE SELECTION

Below is the rubric which lists the strongly recommended criteria (what counts) toward the assigning of judges to state and higher meets. Points are credit-based in the different categories such as the number of sessions at each level that you judged, educational opportunities you took part in, live or virtual in gym practice judging, and any volunteer positions you held or assisted at. You will want to keep a detailed spreadsheet of your own so that you have a current record. This was used and a great help in the 2023 assignments.

Regional Championship judges selection rubric 2023/24 _____ Xcel _____ Optionals

NAWGJ-SJD Rate	SAC or RAC Rating based on Professionalism 1.is prepared, punctual, knowledgeable	Number of sessions judged in '21-'22 (not including postseason meets) of highest level applying for.	Education Opportunity Completed/Clinics: State=1 Regional=3 National=5 10 pts. max	Optional In-Gym/ Critiques 5-10 times=10 3-4 times=8 1-2 times=5 Opt. Coach =10 Comp. Coach=5 10 pts. max	Volunteer: USAG/NAWGJ State, Regional, Nat'l Boards: 5 pts Region 3 Camps: 3pts Reg/Nat Meets: 3 pts. State Meets:2 pts. Clinician: 2 pts. Practice Judging with same or higher Rated judge: 2pts. 10 pts. max	Total: NAWGJ 10 pts. Professionalism 50 pts # Sessions 10 pts Ed/Clinic 10 pts . In-Gym 10 pts. Volunteer 10 pts.	Affil.	NCAA
Professionalism 35-40 = 5 pts 25-34 = 4 pts 15-24 = 3 pt 5-14 = 2 pt 1-4 = 1 pt Cancels season meets often/at last minute -5pts	2.Consistent application of rules 3.Demonstrates impartiality 4.Interacts well with all 5.Professional presentation on and off the floor; (5) willingness to help out at last minute (5) 10 pts. ea	8 - >10 = 10 pts. 4 - 7 = 5 pts. 1 - 3 = 3 pts.					Yes/No	Yes/No
10 pts. max	50 pts. max	10 pts. max	10 pts. max	10 pts. max	10 pts. max	100 pts max		

This is the breakdown of Region 3 allocation of # of judges slots per state per regional meet: # of athletes; % of total # 's per state; % of # of judges slots per state for regional meets; # of judges available per state. We take into consideration location of meets, representation of states, recommendations from the states SAC who received your P.I.E. and availability.

****2023 Regional judging assignments will be out the first week in December.****

STATE	# OF L7-10 Athletes	# OF XGPD Athletes	TOTAL L7-10 & XGPD Athletes	% Of Reg 3 L7-10 & XGPD Athletes	Judges' Slots vs L7-10 & XGPD	% State L7-10 Athlete to Reg 3 Total	Judges' Slots vs Athlete L7-10	% State XGPD Athlete to Reg 3 Total	% Judges' Slots vs Athlete XGPD	# of Judges Available / State	% of Judges Available with Reg Meet	States with Regional Meet / # judges
AR	121	206	327	5%	5%	4%	6%	6%	4%	3	100%	L 7 Reg / 9
CO	470	1,127	1,597	24%	22%	15%	16%	31%	29%	24	50%	P/D Reg / 9
KS	298	489	787	12%	22%	9%	28%	14%	13%	15	88%	9/10 Reg / 16
NM	129	106	235	3%	6%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2	100%	
OK	421	395	816	12%	17%	13%	28%	11%	8%	13	77%	8 Reg / 9
TX	1,670	1,147	2,817	42%	31%	53%	25%	32%	38%	54	31%	XG Reg / 17
WY	35	120	155	2%	2%	1%	0%	3%	4%	2	50%	
Total	3,144	3,590	6,734									



TOPS: JUDGES

- <https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/TOPs/judges.pdf>

Watch this site for updates when the Course will be online to take. You will take the online course through the USA Gymnastic University so that it is recorded on your profile. The same information will be on the TOP's site for you to review and look at after you take the course.

Region 3 meets with TOPS sessions from the current sanctions database are:

KS - New Years Invitational hosted by JAG

CO - Pikes Peak Cup, Sweetheart Invite (Premier)

AR - Hopes and Dreams Invite

TX - HNI, Ugly Sweater Competition (H-Town), Biles Invite, Metroplex Challenge, Zenith Winter Classic

- TOPS sanctions: **2022-2023 TOPS sessions Google list**
- Meet Directors hosting a TOPS session must have a separate sanction for TOPS. This is because if a club is traveling to compete their athletes in a regular Dev or Xcel session as well as the TOPS session, an athlete cannot be entered into two levels in one sanction. The TOPS sanction will be comped by the office, instructions on how to take care of this are listed on the **Meet Directors fact sheet.**

- Level 10, national and brevet judges are eligible to judge TOPS athletes after they complete the TOPS judging certification course. This is being finalized by the IT department and anticipate this being ready by Monday. This course is free, with no expiration date. I will provide an update once this course is live.
- Updated: [TOPS Quick Facts](#)



WOMEN'S TECHNICAL UPDATES

11/08/2022 - Joint Xcel/Technical Committee minutes from Sept. 16, 2022 (PDF)

November Technical Committee meeting in Indy

Once approved, you can find the official language regarding the racerback piece, along with additional clarifications, in the minutes that will be posted [HERE](#)

R & P UPDDATE

Regarding judges' affiliation in the *Women's Program Rules & Policies (R&P)* and *Development Program Code of Points (Dev COP)*: A judge who receives financial compensation for critiquing or coaching more than once a month on a regular basis at a specific gymnastics club is considered affiliated with that gymnastics club. Judges must make assignors aware of affiliation.

Recommendation In addition to eligibility criteria for the 2026 National/USA Brevet Course, you must have held a USA Gymnastics membership from 2022-26. To be eligible for the 2030 course and beyond you must maintain a USA Gymnastics membership for 8 years prior.



BACKLESS LEOTARDS: any questions should be directed to your RTCC.

- **Racerback:** The Technical Committee has agreed to allow a 1-year grace period for clubs and leotard companies to become compliant with the new racerback addition to the definition. A reminder: if there is ever any question on a leotard being in compliance, always include your RTCC in all communication.

MOBILITY AND VIRTUAL COMPETITIONS:

- The Development Program committee has decided that effective January 1, 2023, **ONLY** "LIVE" sanctioned competitions will be allowed for the purposes of mobility in the Development Program. This item will NOT be revisited at this time. Any questions should be directed to your RDPCC.
- The Xcel committee would like to continue to allow virtual competitions for mobility for the remainder of the 2022-2023 season. This item will be added to the May agenda for discussion regarding allowing past this season. Any questions should be directed to your RXCC.

2024 Westerns

- The bidding process is officially open for 2024 Westerns. The bid form found [HERE](#). <https://usagym.org/pages/home/pages/forms.html#womens>
- Bids for 2024 events are due to Christy Naik January 2, 2023. A decision will be made, and the host will be announced at the 2023 events (pending any unforeseen issues).

2023 Nastia Liukin Cup series: website: <https://www.nastialiukincup.com/>

- Event information for all 20 qualifiers for the 2023 installment is [HERE](#).
<https://www.nastialiukincup.com/invitationals/>

REGIONAL , WESTERNS, NATIONALS MEET DATES AND SITES:

Please Volunteer if possible at these amazing meets.

2023			
March	24-26	Last weekend for Level 9/10 State Championships	Various Sites
April	13-16	Level 9/10 Regional Championships	Topeka, KS
April	21-23	Level 8 Regionals	Oklahoma City, OK
April	28-30	Level 7 Regional Championships/Level 6 All Star Session	Little Rock, AR
April	28-30	Xcel Gold Regional Championships	Spring, TX
May	5-7	Level 9 Western Championships	Boise, ID
May	5-7	Xcel Platinum & Diamond Regional Championships	Aurora, CO
May	12-14	DP Level 10 National Championships	Oklahoma City, OK

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