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# From the SJD....

As the 2002 Compulsory season comes to an end and the Holidays fast approach us, I would like to take a moment during this hectic time to wish you all the best for the coming year. Texas gymnastics has had a great year and that is due to the talents of our gymnasts, coaches, and judges. With all that has been going on this year, I would like to thank all of you who have been so supportive and positive. By working together we are keeping our judging community strong and focused remembering that we are here for the benefit of the children.

# From the Editor...

I would like to remind judges to take advantage of our TxNAWGJ website. It is constantly being updated in an effort to offer our judges the latest information and judging aids. Feel free to download any of the "Forms" for your personal use. Judge's contract, Meet referee worksheet, and optional judging sheets are all there. Level 7 optional sheets will be available shortly. Also, applications to judge various meets are on-line. The High School State application (included in this newsletter) has been available on the website for a couple of months now. (Click on the High School link)

If you would like to be notified whenever there is an update to the web site, click on the link at the top of each page ("notify me when this page is updated") and you will receive an e-mail.

Check it out at : txnawgj.tripod.com



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#### **Clarifications:**

This clarification on Timed Warm-ups came from Connie Maloney. Please keep it with your Rules and Policies:

To: USAG Regional & State Administrative Chairmen, Technical and JO Committees

From: Connie Maloney Date: Nov. 1, 2002

There apparently is some confusion regarding the changes in the R & P for rules for Timed Warm-ups (pre-meet). Perhaps the minutes from the JO Committee meeting in May 2002 were stated more clearly than the Rules & Policies and for that, lapologize.

On page 40 in the R & P, it states under #2. a) 3) that the warm-up time (per squad) for Vault & Floor Exercise is determined by the number of athletes in the largest squad of the session multiplied by the allotted time per gymnast (1, 11/2, or 2 min/athlete depending on type of competition). This means that all athletes in the squad have the entire warm-up period to share the apparatus.

It states in pg. 40 #2. d) that "Block time is not allowed on Vault and Floor Exercise". That means the CLUBS (or individuals from different clubs) may not block time. For example, If!a club had 6!gymnasts and another had 2!gymnasts in a squad of 8, the time for all 8 athletes is 8 min. for compulsories (12 or 16 min. for Optionals). It would be unfair for the team of 6 gymnasts to have 6 minutes to do their warm-up vaults while the two others would be frantically trying to perform several warm-up vaults within two minutes time. Therefore, the entire squad is given the full 8 minutes to share the equipment.

Beam and Bars are always timed either individually, or the club (or several individuals from different clubs) may choose to block their time.

Apparently, some meet directors and /or judges are saying that each gymnast must take her own individual warm-up time of 1, 11/2, or 2 minutes. This is incorrect and definitely not in the best interest of the athlete.

Please pass this clarification on to your meet hosts and print in your newsletters.

Attention: 2003 Rules and Policies!

The new USAG Rules and Policies is now available but you must **call USAG merchandising** to request a copy. In an effort to cut the immense cost of publication and postage, USAG has made the R&P available On-Line or by telephone to those requesting. Order your copy now so you will have it in time for the upcoming 2003 season. Call USAG merchandizing at 1-800-345-4719. You will need to provide your USAG Professional membership number. There is no charge for the R&P.

Or you can download the copy by going to:

www.usa-gymnastics.org

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### Judges' Cup 2002





The 2002 Judges' Cup Invitational was held the weekend of October 12-13. Gymnasts from all around the state participated and enjoyed themselves.

Four different gyms from around the state hosted the annual TX NAWGJ fundraiser, each with a different "theme". National Elite in Austin hosted the Pajama Party Bash where gymnasts, coaches, and judges arrived in sleepwear! Karolyi's in the Houston area went with a "Putting on the Ritz' theme. In West Texas at Midland College the theme was Animal Planet.

Our thanks go out to those gyms, meet directors, parents, gymnasts and judges who helped make this event such a success. A special **Thank You** to the judges coming from distant districts and out-of-state to help with the event. Judges Cup is a very fun meet for the children and we are proud to be able to offer this special competition to them.

Check out <u>TxNAWGJ</u> online for more pictures and soon to be available movie clips.

### 2002 TxNAWGJ Summer Meeting-

The 2002 Summer meeting was held in Austin at National Elite Gymnastics. Judging sessions from beginner to advanced levels were offered as well as Safety certification courses and all levels of judging exams.

We had outstanding clinicians including Marion Dykes and Jeff Beal. They did a wonderful job of presenting new information ranging from the latest updates to judging the new Vault Table. Marion also talked about judging and taxes- important info we all need to be aware of.

Check out <u>TxNAWGJ</u> online for pictures.



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#### 2002-2003 Girls Clarifications for Texas High School Gymnastics Coaches Association

Re: THSGCA Rules Governing Judging Specifications for Girls
[USAG Rules & Policy is applied to TX high school unless stated otherwise by TJSGCA]

#### COMPULSORY.

The Texas high school girls gymnastics program follows the **USAG Level 6** compulsories **except for the following:** 

Bars: allow straddle swings between the rails in both directions

#### **OPTIONALS:**

The Texas high school girls gymnastics program follows the **2002-2003 USAG Code of Points for Level 8** optionals <u>except</u> the following:

1. High School Vault Values:

#### Round-off entry vaults are <u>NOT</u> allowed in the high school program

Squat	7.0	HS 1/2	9.1	HS-1/1	9.9
Stoop	7.5	Yami 1/2	9.1	1/2-11/2	9.9
Straddle	7.5			1/1on-1/2off	9.9
		1/2-1/2	9.2	Tuck Tsuk	9.9
Handspring	9.0	1/4-3/4	9.2		
Yami	9.0			HS-2/1	10.0
1/4 on	9.0	HS-1/1	9.8	1/2-2/1	10.0
1/2 on	9.0	Yami-1/1	9.8	1/1-1/1	10.0
Hecht	9.0	1/2-1/1 9.8		Tsuk (pike or layout)	10.0
1/4-1/4	9.0	1/4-11/4	9.8	HS front	10.0
		1/1-HS	9.8	Any flip/twist	10.0

- 2. C, D, and E skills are allowed
- 3. Start value will be 9.7- a maximum bonus of +0.3 additive value (AV):

a. Difficulty Value (DV): +0.2 max.(+0.1 for C element, +0.2 for D or E)
b. Combination Value (CV): additional +0.1 to come from connective value

1. Bars: B+C(or reversed) = 0.1; C+C (or more) = 0.2;

flight of B & LA/180° turn = 0.1 (may be met in a single element of in 2 elements, not necessarily connected to each other- not in mount of dismount)

2. Beam & Floor: Same as USAG

Individual skills may receive Bonus only one time, If the C, D, or E element is needed to count as one of the 4 B's required, it would still be awarded Bonus.

Whenever possible, flash start values at all optional meets. Start values are required at District, Regionals, and State. (only necessary to flash the highest of the 2 start values)

4. High School Modified Values to USAG Code of Points:

Bars 1. Layout Flyaway (dismount) =B 2. Layout Flyaway 1/1 (dismount) =C

With the high school bonus for 2002-2003, Level 9 or above rated judges will be used for all TX high school optional meets, with one judge panels. Level 8 rated judges may serve as panel judge on meets up to and including Regionals.

Tech Committee clarified that Level 8 judges may serve alone at meets prior to District Meet providing all coaches attending agree. Area Assignors were so asvised.

Equipment: Vault: the new Table is required

Bars: Both bars may be raised of lowered to any height

Beam: 120 cm (1200 mm or 47 1/4 inches)

J. Dunlop, NAWGJ/in consultation with THSGCA- Sept 2002

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#### 2002-2003

# Texas High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Judges' Expense and Fee Schedule

Name:		Date:			
Address:					
Meet:					
Rating:	Social S	ecurity #:		-	
In order to sta categories.	ndardize judging f	ees for Texas Hig	gh School ı	meets, all judges will be p	placed into one of two
Category One	: Women Level	9, Level 10, Natio	ons, & Brev	vet - Men Nationals & FIG	
Category Two	: Women Level	5/6 & 8 - Men Sta	te & JO		
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(To be used at	t all Dual Meets, Tr	i-Meets, Multi-Sc	hool Invita	tionals & Districts)	
	ess) nore) a set fee for Regio	\$85 per sessi	on & \$50 fo	Category Two \$40.00 \$50.00 \$60.00 \$70.00 \$80.00  regardless of rating) or Finals conal and State Champion	nshins
ST. N	ATE MEET: THSG lileage will be \$0.3 Per Diem w	CA approved an a 2 per mile (or wh vill be \$10 per me	additional s atever a so al (unless s	5100 per judge for the Sta shool district allots for mi supplied by meet host) right to negotiate fees if	ite Meet leage)
		Exper	se Repo	rt	
Category (circ	ele one) :	Category C	ne	Category Two	
Session 1 Session 2 Session 3	Time:		ree:_		
Travel	# of miles Airline Travel Parking Tolls	@	\$0.32 =		
Meals	# of meals		S10 =		
		TO <sup>*</sup>	TAL FEE:		

Judge's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# APPLICATION TO JUDGE THE TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL STATE MEET

April 24-26, 2003 L.D.. Bell High School- Bedford, TX Co-hosted by LD Bell High School and Trinity High School

This application will be accepted as an affirmation of your continuing commitment to the Texas High School gymnastics program. If selected for the State Meet, you may also be expected to be available for the District or Regional meets by your NAWGJ District Assignors.

Please accept this as my wish to be considered to judge the above State Meet. I hereby agree to abide by the rules established by the Texas High School Gymnastic Coaches Association (THSGCA) and the National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges (NAWGJ). In addition I hereby agree to accept the current (2002-2003) Texas high school fee structure.

I understand that to be eligible to be considered to judge this meet, this form will have to be postmarked and returned to the address below by February 1, 2003.

Name: Address:			Rating:*	Dated:
Phones:	home:	work:	e-mail:	
*With th	e bonus rules for 2002-2003	Level 9 and a	above will be considered	for high school meets

<u>Circle</u> the county below in which you reside for Regional determination:

Region I (Northeast Texas): Camp, Cass, Collin, Dallas, Delta, Denton (only Carrollton & The Colony), Ellis, Falls, Fannin, Franklin, Grayson, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Hunt, Kaufman, Lamar, Marion, Morris, Navarro, Panola, Raines, Red River, Rockwall, Rusk, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Van Zandt, Wood.

Region II (South/Southeast Texas): Anderson, Angelina, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Brooks, Brazoria, Brazos, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Cherokee, Comal, Colorado, Coryell, DeWitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Fayette, Fort Bend, Freestone, Frio, Galveston, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Hayes, Hidalgo, Houston, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jimm Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Keene, Kerr, Kimble, Klegerg, La Salle, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Live Oak, Llano, Madison, Mason, Matagorda, Marerick, McMullen, Medina, Mialm, Mills, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Polk, Real, Refugio, Robertsons, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Starr, Sutton, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Uvalde, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Zapata, Zavala.

Region III (West/Northwest Texas): Andrews, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Borden, Brewster, Briscoe, Brown, Callahan, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Coke, Collingsworth, Concho, Cottle, Crockett, Crosby, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Ector, El Paso, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gains, Garza, Glasscock, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Hockley, Howard, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Irlon, Jeff Davis, Jones, Kent, Knox, Lamb, Lipscomb, Loving, Lubbock, Maritn, Menard, Midland, Mitchell, Moore, Motley, Nolan, Ochitree, Oldham, Parmer, Pecos, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Regan, Reeves, Roberts, Runnels, Scheicher, Scurry, Schackleford, Sherman, Sterling, Stonewall, Swisher, Taylor, Terrell, Terry, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Val Verde, Ward, Wheeler, Wilbarger, Winkler, Yoakum.

Region IV (North Central Texas): Archer, Bosque, Bowie, Clay, Commanche, Cooke, Denton (except Carrolton and The Colony), Eastman, Earth, Hamilton, Hill, Hood, Jack, Johnson, Limestone, McLennan, Mantaque, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Stephens, Tarrant, Wichita, Wise, Young.

Return with postmark no later than February 1, 2003 to:

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