



Rhythmic Program Committee Meeting

By Zoom December 7 & 9, 2020, email December 11, 2020

Roll Call:

Suzi DiTullio (Chair)	National Administrative Committee, Chair (non-voting)
Olga Kutuzova	National Judges Representative
Elena Savenkova	Member at Large
Natalya Kozitskaya	IEC Representative
Rebecca Sereda	Athlete Representative
Serena Lu	Athlete Representative
Caroline Hunt (non-voting)	Rhythmic Program Director
Jayne Vincent (non-voting)	Rhythmic Program Coordinator

1. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: Qualification Requirements

Qualification requirements are removed for State & Regional Championships for 2021 only. There will not be any requirement to attend a State Championship prior to the Regional Championship or an invitational prior to the State Championship.

Proposed: Rebecca Sereda

Second: Elena Savenkova

Approved: all

2. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: Virtual Event Artistic Evaluation

The following penalties will not be evaluated for virtual events. Note: modified forms for virtual events only will be posted with these changes reflected.

- Level 3 apparatus; 4-6 all events: Variety and use of the entire floor area
- Level 7-10: Directions and trajectories penalties
- Levels 3-10: Facial/body expression (waves are still evaluated)
- Group: No body/facial expression

Proposed: Elena Savenkova

Seconded: Rebecca Sereda

Approved: all

3. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: Meet formats-for all Sanctioned Virtual Meets.

- i. In person competitors will be awarded separately from live virtual competitors and uploaded routines.

- ii. Live stream routines will be awarded separately from uploaded routines.
- iii. Uploaded routines are not allowed for qualifying events.
- iv. Each level and age division must be judged by the same panel of judges in order to be awarded together.

Proposed: Elena Savenkova

Seconded: Rebecca Sereda

Approved: all

4. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: Awards for all Sanctioned Virtual Events

- i. Day of Competition Certificates- athletes will be awarded participation certificates on the day they compete these will be presented in club. Certificates will be mailed or hand delivered by the meet director to the club prior to day of competition.
 - 1. If the meet director chooses to give an additional participation gift, this is possible (not mandatory) and should be delivered with the certificates.
- ii. Day of Competition Awards: placement awards will not be presented on the day of competition
- iii. Following Competition: Placement Awards must be sent via mail to each club within 4 weeks following the awards requirements in the R&P.

Proposed: Elena Savenkova

Seconded: Olga Kutuzova

Approved: All

5. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: D Form requirements for Virtual events:

- i. The form requirements follow the R&P
- ii. Exception: There are two options for use of Level 9/10 D forms based on the number of judges contracted and meet referee opinion
 - 1. If D1/D3 are evaluated together – the coaches must submit one L9/10 Difficulty form to the meet director
 - 2. If D1/D3 are evaluated separately - the meet referee will determine whether or not to use forms for the virtual event.
 - 3. Note: RPC Recommends use of difficulty forms for all events

Proposed: Rebecca Sereda

Seconded: Olga Kutuzova

Approved: All

6. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: State/Regional Virtual Entries Fees

Entry fees for 2021 season for State/Regional Virtual Meets will be as follows:

- i. Level 3-6 @ \$20/routine
- ii. Level 7-10 @ \$25/routine

Proposed: Rebecca Sereda

Seconded: Elena Savenkova
Approved: all

7. Proposal Revised from NAC & Approved by RPC: Scoring requirements for 2021 season for Virtual meets:

- i. Final results must be submitted to participant clubs within 24 hours of the conclusion of the event when not using a live scoring system for invitational virtual events
- ii. Live scoring is required for State/Regional virtual events

Proposed: Olga Kutuzova
Seconded: Elena Savenkova
Approved: all

8. Proposal from NAC approved by RPC: Verification of athlete date of birth clarification

- i. Regarding the Verification of Birthdate and Level Eligibility requirement in Chapter 3 of the Rhythmic Rules & Policies, Clubs only need to verify new team members. It is not necessary to verify continuing team members every year. See the process for verification in Chapter 3 of the Rhythmic Rules & Policies.

Proposed: Elena Savenkova
Seconded: Rebecca Sereda
Approved: all

9. Approved Proposal: Level Mobility

Level mobility requirements for level 3-8 will be waived for the 2020-2021 season.

Proposed: Natalya Kozitskaya
Seconded: Rebecca Sereda
Approved: all

10. Approved Proposal: Level designation for FIG JR and SR Groups

Gymnasts who compete in a FIG JR or SR Group are considered Level 9-Group; Gymnasts in FIG JR or SR Groups who advance to USA Gymnastics Championships become Level 10-Group. A Level 10-Group athlete who decides to return to Individual competition will resume at whatever her previous Individual level was. The only exception will be FIG JR Groups who are named JR Group National Team (*qualification TBD) who will be Level 10 regardless of Individual or Group.

Proposed: Elena Savenkova
Second: Natasha Kozitskaya
Approved: all

11. Approved Proposal: Group Athlete Ages

Revised from IEC and approved by RPC: Junior-aged athletes may participate in a Senior level FIG group as an exhibition only. Only groups with all members conforming to the official Senior age will count toward the official results.

Proposed: Elena Savenkova

Second: Natasha Kozitskaya

Approved: all