Trampoline and Tumbling Program Committee Meeting

Program Committee Chair: Patti Conner
Elite Committee Chair: Scott Lineberry
Technical Committee Chair: Deanna Hanford
JO Committee Chair: Chelsea Rainer
Athlete Representative: Michael Devine (not present)
Program Director: Jacqui Godfrey

Meeting called to order by Patti Conner at 10:30am, March 13, 2020.

Program Committee Meeting Agenda

1. Change to national championships qualification given force majeure

   Jacqui to draft up new modified qualification process for USA Gym Champs and Stars & Stripes Championships, based on the scenario that Elite Challenge and State/Region championships are cancelled and national championships proceed. These will be sent to the committee for approval and published as appropriate, dependent on how the situation develops.

2. New quad rules

   The committee discussed each recommendation provided by the Elite Committee, JO Committee and Technical Committee, and agreed to each. All rules will be added to the relevant 2020-2023 CoP and/or R&P.

   The committee agreed that in principle the FIG rules will be followed unless there is a compelling reason to diverge. The TC was encouraged to follow this same direction when coming up with the technical rules.

   2.1. E scores (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)

   The committee agreed to the Scoring System proposal provided by the JO and Elite Committee:

   Invitational / eligibility / J.O. mobility
   May choose to use any of the following
   • 3-judge average for all levels
   • 3-judge average for JO, 3-judge median (with range) for Elite levels
   • 3-judge median for all levels

   State Championships
   Must use 3-judge median (with range) for Elite Levels
   May choose to use either of the following:
   • 3-judge average for JO
   • 3-judge median for JO
**Regional Championships**
Must use 3-judge median (with range) for Elite Levels and Level 10
May choose to use either of the following:
- 3-judge average for JO Levels 1-9
- 3-judge median for JO Levels 1-9

**National Championships**
Must use 3-judge median (with range) for all levels

**Stars & Stripes**
May choose to use either of the following:
- 3-judge average
- 3-judge median

**Elite mobility**
Must use 3-judge median (with range) for Elite Levels and Level 10
May choose to use either of the following:
- 3-judge average for JO Levels 1-9
- 3-judge median for JO Levels 1-9

The scoring method must be stated on meet directives / information.

Scoring formulas: two options for each method. The FIG principle of two counting E scores will be used, with HD and TOF added where applicable:

**3-judge average:**
- \(((\text{Avg total score of } E1, E2, E3) \times 2) + \text{HD} + \text{TOF} + \text{DD} - \text{CJP penalties}\)
- \(((\text{Sum of the avg of each element score of } E1, E2, E3) \times 2) + \text{HD} + \text{TOF} + \text{DD} - \text{CJP penalties}\)

**3-judge median:**
- \((\text{Drop high and low score of } E1, E2, E3, \text{then multiply median by } 2) + \text{HD} + \text{TOF} + \text{Difficulty - CJP penalties}\)
- \((\text{Drop high and low of } E1, E2, E3 \text{ per element, then add the } 10 \text{ element median scores, then multiply by } 2) + \text{HD} + \text{TOF} + \text{DD} - \text{CJP penalties}\)

Allowable range (used for both average and median methods)
- Double mini - 0.2 range
- Tumbling – 0.3 range
- Trampoline – 0.3 range

HD will be removed from Trampoline Levels 1-7 and 3 execution judges will be used, under the scoring system agreed to above.

**2.2. D Scores (all disciplines / levels as noted)**

**Exceeding pass DD (all disciplines / JO)**
If an athlete performs legal skills and exceeds pass DD, the athlete will be scored using all skills, with the DD capped at max pass DD.

**Dropping below pass DD (all disciplines / JO, YE, JE)**
If an athlete drops below pass DD for ANY reason, then judges will apply 2.0 for not meeting pass requirements.
Skill caps (all disciplines / elite)
Any abuse of the following bullets will result in the disqualification of the gymnast:
• For 11-12 years old, triple somersaults are prohibited.
• For all ages groups, quadruple somersaults are prohibited.

Per FIG skill caps for each event:

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Exceeding skill cap DD (all disciplines / JO)
If an athlete exceeds the skill cap DD it will be counted as an illegal skill (interruption at the point of the illegal skill).

Exceeding skill DD (all disciplines / elite)
With the Exception of the triple and quad somersaults as noted above, if an athlete exceeds the skill DD, it will be counted as a legal skill, but the maximum DD will be awarded.

Repeat Rules (tumbling & double mini / JO, YE, JE)
The current JO repeat rules will be retained for JO, YE and JE rather than the FIG rules. New FIG repeat rules will be used for IE and SE.

2.3. Routine requirements (all disciplines / levels as noted)
Individual Trampoline
Per FIG age group rules for all except 17-21: two routines, first one with special requirements / second one voluntary

YE 11-12
The routine consists of 10 different elements, only two (2) elements allowed with less than 270° somersault rotation. Each element meeting the requirement must be marked with an asterisk (*) on the competition card. These requirements cannot be fulfilled by combining them into one element but must be performed as separate elements.
• one (1) element landing on the front of the body,
• one (1) element landing on the back of the body,
• one (1) element with 360° somersault rotation, at least, 360° of twist.

YE 13-14
The routine consists of 10 different elements, only one (1) element allowed with less than 270° somersault rotation. Each element meeting the requirement must be marked with an asterisk (*) on the competition card. These requirements cannot be fulfilled by combining them into one element but must be performed as separate elements.
• one (1) element to front or back,
• one (1) element from front or back – in combination with requirement N°1,
• one (1) double front or back somersault with or without twist and
• one (1) element with a minimum of 540° twist and minimum 360° somersault rotation.

JR 15-16
The routine consists of 10 different elements, only one (1) element allowed with less than 270° somersault rotation. Each element meeting the requirement must be marked with an asterisk (*) on the competition card. These requirements cannot be fulfilled by combining them into one element but must be performed as separate elements.
• one (1) element to front or back,
• one (1) element from front or back – in combination with requirement N°1,
• one (1) double front or back somersault with or without twist and
- one (1) element with a minimum of 540° twist and minimum 360° somersault rotation.

**Synchronized Trampoline**
YE, JE, IE will do only one routine (voluntary) for preliminaries, and one routine for finals. Both partners must begin the routine to consider the routine initiated.

**Tumbling**
2 free passes

**YE 11-12**
- Minimum DD 7.1 over the two passes
- Both passes must end in a double
- The second, third, etc. element with minimum difficulty of 2.0 in one exercise will receive a bonus of 2.0 pts. This will be added as a bonus to the total D score for that pass.

**YE 13-14 W**
- Minimum DD 7.2 over the two passes
- Both passes must end in a double
- The second, third, etc. element with minimum difficulty of 2.0 in one exercise will receive a bonus of 2.0 pts. This will be added as a bonus to the total D score for that pass.

**YE 13-14M**
- Minimum DD 7.6 over the two passes
- Both passes must end in a double
- The second, third, etc. element with minimum difficulty of 2.0 in one exercise will receive a bonus of 2.0 pts. This will be added as a bonus to the total D score for that pass.

**JE W**
- Minimum DD 7.2 over the two passes
- Both passes must end in a double
- The second, third, etc. element with minimum difficulty of 2.0 in one exercise will receive a bonus of 2.0 pts. This will be added as a bonus to the total D score for that pass.

**JE M**
- Minimum DD 7.8 over the two passes
- Both passes must end in a double
- The second, third, etc. element with minimum difficulty of 2.0 in one exercise will receive a bonus of 2.0 pts. This will be added as a bonus to the total D score for that pass.

**IE W, SE W**
- Per FIG Rules
- The second, third, etc. element with minimum difficulty of 2.0 in one exercise will receive a bonus of 2.0 pts. This will be added as a bonus to the total D score for that pass.

**IE M, SE M**
- Per FIG Rule
Bonus:
- Level 9: 2.0 bonus if double is last element
- Level 10: 2.0 bonus if double is performed in skills 2-6
- Level YE, JE, IE F, SE F: 2.0 bonus if two doubles are performed within a pass.

**Double Mini**
Minimum pass DD:
- YE 11-12: 2.7
- YE 13-14: 2.7
- JE: 4.4
- IE and SE: FIG rules

2.4. **New Athletes entering the program (all disciplines / J.O.)**
Athletes can enter the T&T program at any level up to and including Level 8.

Once an athlete enters the system, they may not skip levels.

2.5. **Mobility (all disciplines / J.O.)**
Levels 4-7 mobility will be at coach discretion; however, it is recommended that the coach keeps track of records. The State Chair will track mobility from Level 8-9 and 9-10. Athletes in levels 1-7 may not skip levels.

Athletes may not compete at more than two levels at the same eligibility/mobility meet and may only compete at one level at State, Regional and National Championships.

2.6. **Qualification scores / mobility scores (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)**
The J.O. committee provided recommended mobility and qualification scores. The PC approved these, with elite mobility and qualification scores due May 1.

2.7. **Apparel (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)**
Discussion was had regarding the FIG rule allowing shorts on the competition floor. In the U.S., coaches will not be permitted to wear shorts during competition.

2.8. **Warm up procedures (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)**
It is recommended that meet directors post training sessions and warmup procedures in competition directives. If warmup that is listed in competition directives is not provided, they should provide opportunity for a refund.

The committee received some feedback asking if trampoline warmups could be timed at competitions to reduce the length of turns some participants take. It was agreed that warmups may be timed (and controlled using FIG timing rules) if it is noticed that warmup times are being abused, however it would not be mandated nor expected at competitions.

2.9. **Finals (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)**
8 athletes qualify to finals based off preliminary rank order.

Patti will talk to the USA Gym Events team as to whether it is possible to use FIG competition format at USA Gym Champs from 2021. The preferred option is to retain the 2017-2020 U.S. competition format for all events other than USA Gym Champs.

2.10. **Tiebreaker rules (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)**
The U.S. will match the FIG’s tie breaker rules.

2.11. **Restructuring Open Elite (all disciplines / J.O. and elite)**
The current Open Elite division will be split into two levels: Open (to sit under the JO program, using the current OE rules) and Intermediate Elite (17-21) (using SE rules). This will give current
17-21 athletes looking to progress to Senior an opportunity to make finals and podiums during their transition to Senior, while competing under those rules.

The 2021 R&P will feature a mobility diagram to clarify which levels athletes may move into.

The JO Committee will update the routine sheets to include Open, and republish as a member update.

2.12. **Time of Flight (trampoline / Level 10 and elite)**
Deanna was asked for the Tech Committee to write a process to determine how to calculate missed ToF using a real-time video, including a formula for calculation.

2.13. **Crash rule clarification (all disciplines / JO and elite)**
To receive credit for an element, the athlete should land simultaneously on the soles of both feet showing weight bearing strength in the legs before falling.

2.14. **HD judges (trampoline / Level 8-elite)**
One HD judge will be used for Level 8-10 (with the exception of the Elite Mobility competitions)
Two HD Judges will be used for all elite levels.

**Motion to confirm the above rules proposed by the Elite, JO and Technical Committees.**
- **Motion:** Deanna
- **Second:** Scott
- **Vote:** unanimous

3. **Developmental Pathway selection procedures**

The committee agreed to ratify the development teams’ selection process

**Motion to accept the ratify the development teams’ selection process.**
- **Motion:** Scott
- **Second:** Deanna
- **Vote:** unanimous

The committee was requested to review the confirmed mobility scores a final time before publication.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.