



SECTION II: TRAMPOLINE & TUMBLING OPERATING CODE

I. ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

USA GYMNASTICS BOARD OF DIRECTORS			
USA GYMNASTICS PRESIDENT			
TRAMPOLINE & TUMBLING PROGRAM STAFF			
TRAMPOLINE & TUMBLING PROGRAM COMMITTEE			
Program Committee Chair Elite Program Committee Chair J.O. Program Committee Chair Technical Committee Chair Athlete Representative Program Director* National Membership Director*			
NATIONAL COMMITTEES			
Technical Committee Chair TR Representative TU Representative DM Representative Program Director* Program Committee Chair*	Rules Advisory Committee J.O. Committee Rep. Elite Committee Rep. Technical Com. Rep. Program Director* Program Manager* Program Coordinator*	Elite Program Committee Chair TR Representative TU/DM Representative Athlete Representative Program Director* Program Committee Chair*	J.O Program Committee Chair TR Representative TU Representative DM Representative Program Director* Program Manager* Program Committee Chair*
REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE			
Regional Chair Secretary All State Chairmen Regional Coach's Committee Chair Regional Technical Committee Chair Athlete Representative**			
REGIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE		REGIONAL COACH'S COMMITTEE	
Chair State Technical Representatives		Chair State Coach's Representative	
STATE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE			
State Chair State Technical Representative State Coach's Representative State Secretary Athlete Representative			
All Professional Members of USA Gymnastics Trampoline & Tumbling			

*Ex-officio members **Regional Athlete Representative selected by the Athlete Representative from the respective Region's States.

A. Function

The Trampoline & Tumbling Program (“Program”) is composed of the Trampoline & Tumbling Program Committee (TPC) and its sub-committees. These sub-committees include the Trampoline & Tumbling Junior Olympic Program Committee (TJOPC), Trampoline & Tumbling Elite Program (TEPC), the Trampoline & Tumbling Technical Committee (TTC) and the Rules Advisory Committee (RAC). The sub-committees are charged with specific T&T Program tasks (see specific descriptions below). Other sub-committees may be created by the TPC as deemed necessary. All Committee Members must be current USA Gymnastics Professional Members.

B. Trampoline & Tumbling Program Committee (TPC)

1. All activities of the TPC and its sub-committee shall be coordinated with the National Office Staff. No USA Gymnastics funds or statement of official policy shall be made by the TPC (or any of its sub-committees) without the approval of the USA Gymnastics Board of Directors and/or the President. The TPC will have overall responsibility for the direction of the Trampoline and Tumbling Program of USA Gymnastics. These responsibilities must stay within the framework of the USA Gymnastics By-Laws and as such guided by the policies and statements of the USA Gymnastics Board of Directors. The TPC and its sub-committees shall serve as a recommending body to the President of USA Gymnastics.
2. The operating directives of the TPC are:
 - a. The TPC through its subcommittees shall be charged with the development of a well-organized and well-designed program for the sports of Trampoline, Synchronized Trampoline, Double Mini Trampoline, and Tumbling in the United States consistent with the goals and objectives of the corporation.
 - b. Distribute and disseminate technical material, rules, and regulations, educational and scientific literature and other information necessary and appropriate to support the coaching and judging community.
 - c. Provide for the improvement and growth of the sports of Trampoline, Synchronized Trampoline, Double Mini Trampoline, Tumbling through the training, education, certification, and evaluation of coaches, judges, and athletes.
 - d. Design procedures for selecting athletes, coaches, judges, managers, trainers, and support staff for domestic and international events. These competitions include but are not limited to: Olympic Games, World Championships, Pan American Games, World Games, and World Cups.

- e. Recommend candidates to represent the Corporation in FIG activities, including the international judges' course, coaches' courses, FIG Congresses and international competitions.
 - f. All elected officials of the TPC and its sub-committees are obligated to support USA Gymnastics, the Program and its rules and policies.
3. The TPC shall be comprised of the following members:
- a. Chair of the TPC
 - b. Chair of the TEPC
 - c. Chair of the TJOPC
 - d. Chair of the TTC
 - e. Athlete Representative
 - f. Program Director – ex officio (voice, no vote)
 - g. National Membership Director ex-officio (voice, no vote)
4. Program Committee Chair
- a. Nomination
 - i. A nomination made by Professional Members in the Program
 - ii. Criteria for Nomination:
 - 1. Must be at least 21 years old, and a Professional Member in good standing for at least four (4) consecutive years prior to the nomination
 - 2. Must be actively involved in the Program as a coach, judge, or administrator.
 - b. Duties and Responsibilities
 - i. The duties and responsibilities of the TPC Chair, include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. To work closely with the Program Director.
 - 2. Organize and conduct the meetings and conference calls of the TPC.
 - 3. Secure, correlate, and disseminate agenda items for meetings and conference calls in advance of the meetings and calls.
 - 4. Coordinate with USA Gymnastics on meeting location/times and advise the TPC of these arrangements in advance.
 - 5. Play an active role in the various TPC sub-committees and coordinate their reports.
 - 6. Provide leadership for a visible, viable relationship with USA Gymnastics, the TPC, and other related groups.

7. The term of office for the TPC is four (4) years with the term beginning August 1 of the election year.
8. There is no limit to the number of consecutive terms.

C. Sub-Committees

1. Trampoline & Tumbling Elite Program Committee (TEPC)
 - a. The TPC established the TEPC as a sub-committee of the TPC. The operating directives are:
 - i. To work closely with the Program Director.
 - ii. Elite athlete training, development, and support.
 - iii. Review all athlete and coach selection procedures and policies.
 - iv. Development and distribution of coaches education.
 - v. Annually review and revise sections of the Rules & Policies and Code of Points pertaining to the Elite Program.
 - vi. Send reviews and revisions to the Rules Advisory Committee regarding the Elite Rules & Policies and Code of Points.
 - vii. Submit all Elite Committee actions, decisions and Elite program recommendations to Program Committee for final approval.
 - b. The TEPC shall be comprised of the following members:
 - i. Chair (voice, no vote)
 - ii. Trampoline Coaches' Representative
 - iii. Tumbling/Double Mini Coaches' Representative
 - iv. Athlete Representative
 - v. Program Director ex-officio (voice, no vote)
 - vi. TPC Chair ex-officio (voice, no vote)
 - c. Elite Program Committee Chair
 - i. Nomination
 1. Nominations are made by Professional Members in the Program
 2. Criteria for Nominations:
 - a. Must be at least 21 years old, and a Professional Member in good standing for at least four (4) consecutive years prior to the nomination.
 - b. Must be currently active in National Team activities as a coach of an athlete.
 - c. Must have been the primary coach of an athlete who has competed at the World Championships, Olympic Games, or World Age Group

Competition in the current or last quadrennial cycle.

ii. Duties and Responsibilities

1. The duties and responsibilities of the TEPC Chair, include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Organize and conduct the meetings and conference calls of the TEPC.
 - b. Secure, correlate and disseminate agenda items for meetings and conference calls in advance of the meetings and calls.
 - c. Coordinate with USA Gymnastics on meeting location/times and advise the TEPC of these arrangements in advance.
 - d. Play an active role in the various TEPC subcommittees, if any, and coordinate their reports.
 - e. Provide leadership for a visible, viable relationship with USA Gymnastics, the TPC, and the TEPC and other related groups.
 - f. The term of office for the TEPC chair is four (4) years with the term beginning August 1 of the election year.
 - g. There is no limit to the number of consecutive terms.

d. Elite Program Committee Members

a. Nomination

- i. Nominations for the Coaches' Representatives are made by Professional Members annually, based on the following criteria:
 1. Must be at least 21 years old, and a Professional Member in good standing for at least two (2) consecutive years prior to nomination.
 2. Must be currently active in National Team activities as a coach of an athlete.
 3. One (1) coach must have been the nationally assigned or personal coach of a trampoline athlete who has competed at the World Championships, Olympic Games, or World Age Group Competition in the current or last quadrennial cycle.

4. One (1) coach must have been the nationally assigned or personal coach of a double mini or tumbling athlete who has competed at the World Championships, Olympic Games, or World Age Group Competition in the current or last quadrennial cycle.
 - ii. The athlete representative will be nominated by the Athlete's Council and should be consistent with guidelines as outlined by the U.S. Olympic Committee pertaining to athlete representation.
 - iii. In the event of a conflict, a member will be asked and expected to recuse their vote. In case of recusal, the TEPC Chair shall exercise his/her vote.
 - iv. The term of office for the TEPC members is one (1) year with the term beginning immediately following the election.
2. Trampoline & Tumbling Junior Olympic Program Committee (TJOPC)
- a. The TPC established the TJOPC as a subcommittee of the TPC. Their operating directives are:
 - i. Work closely with the Program Director.
 - ii. J.O. program development.
 - iii. Management of State and Regional J.O. activities.
 - iv. J.O. athlete training and development.
 - v. Development and distribution of coaches' education.
 - vi. Annually review and revise sections of the Rules & Policies and Code of Points pertaining to the J.O. Program.
 - vii. Send reviews and revisions to the Rules Advisory Committee regarding the J.O. Rules & Policies and Code of Points.
 - viii. Attend all meetings, activities, and events as required.
 - ix. Submit all J.O. Committee actions, decisions and JO Program recommendations to Program Committee for final approval.
 - b. The TJOPC shall be comprised of the following members:
 - i. TJOPC Chair (voice, no vote)
 - ii. Trampoline Representative
 - iii. Tumbling Representative
 - iv. Double-Mini Trampoline Representative
 - v. Program Director ex-officio (voice, no vote)

- vi. Program Manager ex-officio (voice, no vote)
 - vii. TPC Chair ex-officio (voice, no vote)
 - viii. In the event of a conflict, a member will be asked and expected to recuse their vote. In case of recusal, the Chair shall exercise his/her vote.
- c. J.O. Program Committee Chair
- i. Nomination
 - a. Nominations made by Professional Members in the Program.
 - b. Criteria for nomination:
 - c. Must be at least 21 years old, and a Professional Member in good standing for at least four (4) consecutive years prior to the nomination.
 - d. Must have coached a Level 10 finalist at J.O. Championships within the current or last two quadrennial cycles.
 - e. The term of office for the TJOPC is four (4) years with the term beginning August 1 of the election year.
 - f. There is no limit to the number of consecutive terms.
 - ii. Duties and Responsibilities
 - 1. The duties and responsibilities of the TJOPC Chair, include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. To work closely with the Program Director.
 - b. Organize and conduct the meetings and conference calls of the TJOPC.
 - c. Secure, correlate and disseminate agenda items for the annual meetings and conference calls in advance of all meetings and calls.
 - d. Coordinate with USA Gymnastics on meeting location/times and advise the TJOPC of these arrangements in advance.
 - e. Play an active role in the various TJOPC subcommittees, if any, and coordinate their reports.
 - f. Provide leadership for a visible, viable relationship with USA Gymnastics, the TPC, the TJOPC, and other related groups.
- d. J.O. Program Committee Members

1. Nominations
 - a. Nominations made by Professional Members in the Program.
 2. Criteria for nomination:
 - a. Must be at least 21 years old, and a Professional Member in good standing for at least two (2) consecutive years prior to the nomination.
 3. Must have coached a Level 10 finalist at J.O. Championships in the discipline he/she intends represent within the current or last quadrennial cycle.
3. Trampoline & Tumbling Technical Committee (TTC)
- a. The TPC established the TTC as a sub-committee of the TPC. Their operating directives are:
 - i. Work closely with the Program Director.
 - ii. Education and certification of Trampoline and Tumbling judges in the United States.
 - iii. Development and distribution of judges' educational materials.
 - iv. Management of State, Regional, and National judges activities.
 - v. Selection of qualified judges for national events and recommendations to the TEPC for international competitions.
 - vi. Annually review and revise sections of the Rules & Policies and Code of Points pertaining to judging.
 - vii. Send reviews and revisions to the Rules Advisory Committee regarding the Elite and JO Rules & Policies and Code of Points.
 - viii. Attend all meetings, activities, and events as required.
 - ix. Submit all TTC actions, decisions and TTC recommendations to Program Committee for final approval.
 - b. The TTC shall be comprised of the following members:
 - i. TTC Chair (voice, no vote)
 - ii. Trampoline Representative
 - iii. Tumbling Representative
 - iv. Double-Mini Representative
 - v. Program Director ex-officio (voice, no vote)
 - vi. TPC Chair ex-officio (voice, no vote)

- vii. In the event of a conflict, a member will be asked and expected to recuse their vote. In case of recusal, the chair shall exercise his/her vote.
- c. Technical Committee Chair
 - i. Nomination
 - 1. Nominations are made by Professional Members in the Program.
 - 2. Criteria for Nomination:
 - a. Must be at least 21 years old, and a Professional Member in good standing for at least four (4) consecutive years prior to the nomination.
 - b. Must be actively involved in the Program and hold a current FIG brevet in one of the disciplines and a minimum of Category 1 in the other two.
 - c. Must have been assigned to judge at a FIG Sanctioned international event within the current or last quadrennial cycle.
 - d. The term of office for the TTC is four (4) years with the term beginning August 1 of the election year.
 - e. There is no limit to the number of consecutive terms.
 - ii. Duties and Responsibilities
 - 1. The duties and responsibilities of the TTC Chair, include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Organize and conduct the meetings and conference call of the TTC.
 - b. Secure, correlate and disseminate agenda items for the annual meetings and conference calls in advance of all meetings and calls.
 - c. Coordinate with USA Gymnastics on meeting location/times and advise the TTC of these arrangements in advance.
 - d. Play an active role in the various TTC subcommittees, if any, and coordinate their reports.
 - e. Provide leadership for a visible, viable relationship with USA Gymnastics, the TPC, the TTC, and other related groups.

d. Technical Committee Members

i. Nomination

1. Nominations are made by Professional Members in the Program.
2. Criteria for nomination: (Must meet all of either 1 or 2)
 - a. (1) Must be a USA Gymnastics Professional Member, actively involved in the program, at least 21 years old, and in good standing for at least two (2) consecutive years prior to the nomination.
 - b. (1) Hold an FIG Brevet in the discipline he/she intends to represent within the current or last quadrennial cycle.
 - c. (2) Must be a USA Gymnastics Professional Member, actively involved in the program, at least 21 years old, and in good standing for at least four (4) consecutive years prior to the nomination.
 - d. (2) Hold a Judges Category 1 in the discipline he/she intends to represent within the current or last quadrennial cycle.

4. Rules Advisory Committee (RAC)

- a. The TPC established the RAC as a sub-committee of the TPC. Their operating directives are:
 - i. Work closely with the Program Director and Program Manager.
 - ii. Review the existing Code of Points and Rules & Policies.
 - iii. Review the revisions sent to the committee from the respective sub committees.
 - iv. Oversee the alterations, deletions, and overall review of the Rules & Policies and Code of Points.
 - v. Submit updated Rules & Policies and Code of Points to the Program Committee for final approval.
- b. Attend all meetings, activities, and events as required.
- c. The RAC shall be comprised of the following members:
 - i. RAC Chair – Program Manager (voice, no vote)
 - ii. J.O Committee Representative
 - iii. Elite Committee Representative
 - iv. Technical Committee Representative

- v. Program Director ex-officio (voice, no vote)
- d. Rules Advisory Committee Members
 - i. The TTC, TJOPC, and TEPC committees will assign representatives from their respective committees to serve on the RAC.

D. Elections

1. The Professional Members of the Trampoline Program will elect the Chair of the TPC in the last year of the quad.
2. The Chairs of each subcommittee will be elected by the members of their respective committees as stated below:
 - a. The members of the TEPC elect the Chair of the TEPC in the last year of the quad.
 - b. The members of the TJOPC elect the Chair of the TJOPC in the second year of the quad.
 - c. The members of the TTC elect the Chair of the TTC in the second year of the quad.
3. The Professional Members of the Program are eligible to vote for the committee members as stated below
 - a. Members of the TEPC are elected annually at the conclusion of the USA Gymnastics Championships. Clubs that have elite athletes competing in the USA Gymnastics Championships will submit one vote per club.
 - b. Members of the TJOPC are elected in the second year of the quad at the conclusion of the USA Gymnastics Championships. Clubs that had J.O. athletes competing at the USA Gymnastics Championships will submit one vote per club.
 - c. Members of the TTC are elected in the second year of the quad in an online vote, managed by the Program Director, by the Professional Members of the Program.
4. Nominations will be submitted to the Program Office by:
 - a. August 1 of the election year for the position of committee chairs.
 - b. May 1 of the election year for committee members.
5. Candidates will forward a resume to the Program Office by:
 - a. August 15 of the election year for chairs.
 - b. May 15 of the election year for each committee members.
6. Resumes of candidates will be posted on the USA Gymnastics web site on or before:
 - a. September 1 of the election year.
 - b. June 1 of the election year for respective positions.

7. Elections will be conducted online except when held at the USA Gymnastics Championships
8. Election is by simple majority of votes cast.
9. In case of a tie, a runoff election will be conducted between the two candidates with the highest number of votes until one candidate receives a simple majority of the votes cast.
10. The runoff election will be conducted no later than 30 days following the election. The runoff election closes 30 days after the ballot is posted on the website.

E. Vacancies

1. For other than an athlete representative:
 - a. Program Committee
 - i. If a vacancy on the TPC occurs with one year or less remaining in the term, the remaining TPC members will appoint a replacement.
 - ii. If more than one year remains in the term, the Program Director will appoint an interim member with the approval of the Program Committee, to oversee the day to day business of the program, until an election can be held to fill the vacancy.
 - iii. The Program Office will conduct the election in a timely manner using appropriate election procedures.
 - b. Sub-Committees
 - i. If a vacancy occurs on a sub-committee, due to the member being selected as a Committee Chair, a new election will be immediately held.
 - ii. If a vacancy occurs due to any other reason, the remaining members of the sub-committee will appoint a replacement, subject to approval of the TPC.

F. Removal

1. For other than an athlete representative
 - a. Program Committee
 - i. By the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all the members of the TPC, a member of the TPC may be removed where:
 1. The member fails to meet the requirements for participation on the TPC as established.
 2. The members of the TPC conclude that the best interest of the Program will be served thereby.
 - b. Sub-Committees

- i. By affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all the members of the TPC or the particular sub-committee involved, a member of the a sub-committee may be removed where:
 1. The member fails to meet the requirements for participation on the sub-committee as established.
 2. The members conclude that the best interest of the Program will be served thereby.
2. For an athlete representative, the athletes' council shall determine the method and reason for such removal.