



***NEW* COLLEGE JUDGES INFORMATION
2016 SEASON**

Instructions:

Step 1: Read each section and sign your initials in each of the blanks provided.

Step 2: Sign and date the document where indicated. (*Electronic initials & signatures are acceptable.*)

Step 3: Submit this form to Donna Trevethan dtjnsnational@gmail.com **prior to entering JAS availability.**

I. Personal Information: (Please type/print.)

Name: _____ Current Rating: _____

E-mail: _____ Telephone: _____

II. JAS (Judges Assigning System):

_____ 1. Download and read the JAS Manual.

<http://www.nawgj.org/JAS%20-judges%202016.pdf>

_____ 2. Register on the JAS. <http://judges.troester.com/AddJudge.asp>

****NOTE**: All judges must take the Open Book Exam on the JAS website between Dec. 1-15.****

III. Considerations:

_____ 1. I understand the college "per diem" and what it covers.

_____ 2. I understand that I may not always be paid on site.

_____ 3. I understand that I may be required to share a hotel room.

_____ 4. I understand the protocol for contacts.

_____ 5. I understand the protocol for travel arrangements.

IV. Preparing to Judge College

_____ 1. Locate the NCAA Information section and the NCAA Rules Modifications document on the NAWGJ website. http://www.nawgj.org/NCAA_information.php

_____ 2. Read the NCAA Meet Referee Checklist:
<http://nawgj.org/Final-Meet-Referee-Checklist.pdf>

_____ 3. Register for the College Practice Judging website.
<http://www.nawgj.org/NACGCW-112011.pdf>

V. NCAA Duties and Standards/Judges:

It is imperative to the dignity and growth of women's gymnastics that judges be well educated in the details of gymnastics and the current rules, thoroughly prepared for each assignment and able to cover all possible circumstances. Toward that end, the NCAA Women's Gymnastics Committee has adopted the following code of ethics for judges:

_____ All meets should be regarded as part of the national qualifying system for teams and individual competitors. Judges should strive for consistency in scoring at all collegiate meets, regardless of division, location or type of meet (i.e., dual, triangular or quadrangular). USA Gymnastics Junior

Olympic Women's Code of Points (Level 10 Rules) as of November 1 each year, and NCAA collegiate modifications shall be followed to the letter for all collegiate competition.

_____ **1. Qualifications.** It is the duty of all judges to prepare themselves thoroughly and constantly update their preparation by being appropriately re-certified. They should not accept any collegiate assignment for which they are not well qualified. NCAA regional and national championships require a Level 10 or higher rating. In addition, judges assigned to the regional and national championships competitions should not accept such assignment unless they have judged a minimum of four regular-season collegiate meets during that year.

_____ **2. Affiliation.** No judge with an affiliation with an NCAA institution that sponsors women's gymnastics will be assigned to the national championships; however, a judge may be assigned to a regional competition where he or she is not affiliated. Examples of affiliation would be, but are not limited to, coaching-staff member, works for spouse or relative of a coach, former team member, relative of a gymnast or parent of a team member, an athletics-related booster club member, gymnastics alumni and/or coach that has been away from the program for less than five years. Any individual with a current financial interest in a coach or team is not eligible to serve as a judge. However, regular-season meets to be used for qualification for the NCAA championships may be judged by an employee or full-time student of a participating institution, if all coaches agree in writing to the host institution at least 10 days before the competition.

_____ **3. Appearance.** Each judge should enter the competition site in uniform at least 30 minutes before the start of the competition.

_____ **4. Duties and responsibilities.**

- Judges shall be greeted by a representative of the host institution before the start of competition. In addition, coaches are permitted to formally acknowledge and greet judges in a cordial manner before the start of the competition. Conversations with a chief judge or meet referee for purposes of changing a lineup or discussing an inquiry after initiated by the judge remain permissible.
- Discussions with student-athletes, parents, alumni and/or recruits, should not occur at the competition site.
- Judges should avoid any appearance of particular friendship or fraternization with any coaches or competitors.
- At NCAA Regionals and Nationals judges are prohibited from entering the competition floor until the march- in.
- Event standards should be strictly enforced in all meets (e.g., timing of falls and routines, boundary deductions) and be noted on the official score sheet.
- Judges must be seated separately on the competition floor.
- Individual judges' scores and start value must be flashed. Reminder: NCAA allowable range of scores is to be followed for collegiate meets.
- Inquiries should be handled by the meet referee/chief judge. In the event that an inquiry response is unsatisfactory to the coach, a videotape may be used for the purpose of review (see NCAA rules modifications for video review process).
- Judges must process all inquiries before the start of the next event.
- Only a spotter(s) or persons moving boards or mats should be within the judges' area during the competition.
- All judges must check the score sheet at the end of the competition and verify by signatures the accuracy of the scores. Judges are encouraged to report any infractions to the respective regional assignor and NCAA Women's Gymnastics Committee chair.

Signature: _____

Date: _____