Collegiate Gymnastics

2021

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TOGETHER we can impact the strength, growth and integrity of collegiate gymnastics.
Athletic Directors want to sponsor sports that bring pride and excitement to their campuses.
In an athletic event the chance to win is guaranteed by a level playing field and having the rules applied fairly and consistently to all involved in the contest.
What’s New!
Judging Assigning System has moved to RoadtoNationals/jas

Troester site is no longer active

Enter Profile/Availability at RoadtoNationals/jas.com
August 25 – September 25

Test – November 15 – December 15
Open Book – Pass/Fail – Score 80%
JAS Continued

• Assigning begins – October 1
• 5 days to accept meet
Opening Page

Yours will not have check marks. Note Profile top right. Can add picture!
CONTACT PAGE - JAS
# General Availability - JAS

## Judges Assigning System

### General Availability

**Set Off Button:** Sets entire day as unavailable to judge.  
**Copy Friday Button:** Copies all data from Friday to this day.

### General Availability Table

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DATES OF AVAILABILITY - JAS
JAS Assignment page once you have an assignment
SELF REFLECTION - JAS
Check – Payment Information

Page will be visible once you have received an assignment
## Judges Assigning System

### Meet Info

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Judges Assigning System

Rental Car
- Required of fly-in judges?
- Fly-in judges picked up at/returned to airport by institutions?

Additional Requirements of Institution
- Judge required to fly in one day early?
- Judge required to purchase own plane ticket?
- Judge required to pay own hotel expenses?

Contact Information
- Institutional Business Office contact person?
  - Name:
  - Email Address:
- Institutional contact person on date of competition?
  - Name:
  - Cell phone:
- Other emergency contact?
  - Name:
  - Cell phone:
- Regional Judging Assigner?
  - Name: Cookie Botsche
  - Email Address: cbotsche@tampabay.rr.com
  - Cell phone: (813) 334-5386
Pandemic Impact:

Restricted University athletic budgets
Fewer travel funds for teams and judges
More local assignments for judges
Changes in assigning for 2021:
Judge can see Division I team \textbf{3 times} at home and 2 times away
Division II and III, \textbf{3 and 3}
Judges Safety:
On NAWGJ.org
See “NAWGJ SAFETY-KIT” at
https://nawqj.org/judging-aids/administrative-forms/
**New for 2021 - Procedures**

Assigning:

- More local assignments geographically close to the institution
- Restrictions from conferences or institutions as to where judges can travel from
- Limited assigning of judges from other NCAA Regions
- Respond to assignment in **five** days.
Procedures continued

Coaches evaluation system of judges has changed to a more objective evaluation
Submitting a new element not found in the USAG JO Code of Points must be in writing and digitally to the Respective Regional Technical Committee Chairman and Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairman in order to evaluated for Value-Part Credit.
Guideline for submitting vaults not listed on the NCAA Vault Chart. Institutions must submit the vault(s) with a video and description of the vault(s) to the WCGA Board of Directors to receive a start value.
Rule Clarifications: BALANCE BEAM

• Dance OR Dance/Acro series with a minimum of two (2) elements. The dance element must be valued a C or higher and the SERIES must stop on the beam.
Clarification of 2020 rule:

0.1 Connection Value Bonus will be awarded to MIXED SERIES including an ACRO/DANCE ACRO direct connection on floor that meets the following criteria:

• Dance element must follow a DIRECT acro connection which includes at least two (2) Acro salto elements, one must be of C value part.
• The dance element must be of at least an A value and must be followed by a salto element of at least an A.
• The “C” acro skill does not have to be directly connected to the dance element.
Floor Exercise continued

• THIS SPECIFIC BONUS COMBINATION – will be an exception to principles regarding the Dismount Special Requirement and UTL Dismount Requirement and WILL FULLFILL BOTH (Even though a dance element breaks a series and therefore the salto following becomes and isolated salto, the C+A (min.) Direct Acro Bonus connection becomes the Acro dismount – only in this specific instance.

• Example:
  Back 1 ½ (C) + layout ½ (B) + straddle jump (B) + front tuck (A) - receives +.1 for mixed series connection (+.2 for tumbling connection bonus). Fulfills double salto requirement (1 ½ + LO), dismount requirement, and UTL dismount requirement.
New USAG Rules that apply to college

0.2 Technical Verbal Cues by Coach to own gymnast (applied after one warning is given) (NCAA rule)

- The judge(s) must hear the words.
- USAG – Verbal cues can be from a teammate.

Floor Exercise:
Each 0.1 – Concentration Pauses – Two (2) seconds (or more)
Any **leap/jump** that is required to have 180-degree leg separation but achieves less than 135 degrees leg separation **will be awarded “A” Value-Part credit but will not be eligible to fulfill the SR of One Leap/Jump requiring 180-degree split.**
Reminders: Routine Summaries

• Routine/skills will be written out by coach
• Summaries will be filled out by each individual judge after the scores are checked and the scoresheet signed.
• Sit apart!
• Readable!!
Video Reviews

“Reviews should be viewed in the speed that is to the advantage of the student-athlete. If necessary, video should be viewed in multiple speeds.”
NCAA Championships

• Qualification to the NCAA tournament is a season long process for teams and individuals.

• NQS – National Qualifying Score is determined by the best six regular season meet scores, 3 must be away. The highest score is dropped. Remaining 5 scores are averaged.

• NCAA tournaments are non-divisional. DI, DII, & DIII all are competing for a berth at the same championship.
CHAMPIONSHIPS

- NCAA National Championship - in Fort Worth, Texas on April 16 & 17, 2021.
- NCAA Round 1 and 2 (formerly called Regionals) - April 1-3, 2021 at NH, W. Va., Missouri, and Utah
- Both assigned by NCAA Championship Committee – usually in summer
CHAMPIONSHIPS CONTINUED

• Some Division I-FCS schools (with limited scholarships, such as the Ivy League schools), Division II and III schools can qualify to USAG sponsored national championship -- held on the weekend between NCAA Round 1 and 2 and Nationals. **Assigned by USAG National Office.** In 2021, it is at Southeast Missouri University.

• Division III schools can also qualify to the Division III National Championship - usually held the weekend after the Division I and II Conference Championships. **Assigned by JAS National Assigner.** In 2021, it is at Winona State University.
SCORE A 10.00
UNIFORM

• Collegiate judges are expected to wear the NAWGJ navy uniform and a white blouse or shirt. Men must wear a tie. Women may wear either pants or a skirt.

• This assignment comes from NAWGJ.

• More meets are televised/live-streamed and the uniform maintains a high level of professionalism (eliminate flashy scarves, excessive pins, and blouses hanging out below the back of the uniform)

• A meet should not be a fashion show. It is not about you and your stylishness.
¾ tenth deduction

• NO Such Thing!

• Every deduction should be able to be supported on an inquiry and/or routine summary.
Focus

Stay focused on the event you are judging. If you are interested in what is happening on the other events – you should be in the stands.
**MEET REFEREES SHOULD**

1. **Introduce themselves to both Head Coaches.** Ask if they have any unusual skills/missed skills.
2. Introduce themselves to Meet Director. Discuss scoring and inquiry procedures.
3. Conduct Pre-meet meeting with officials. **Turn in Meet Referee checklist to Meet Director.**
4. Judge as many (All) routines as possible.
5. Attend any conferences held by judges.
6. Handle inquiries, routine summaries, and video reviews.
7. Dismiss judges after all items have been handled.
New Meet Referee Duty

• The judges are not allowed to leave the location of the competition until all head coaches have signed the official score sheet and judges are released by the Meet Referee.
Social Media

• Judges should refrain from posting anything about collegiate gymnastics on Social Media – prior to, during, or after a competition.

• Judges should refrain from posting anything about a collegiate athlete, coach, or program
NAWGJ.org

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BECOME A JUDGE
NCAA Information

Rules & Clarifications
Rules Modifications Updated 2020-2021
“New” to Collegiate Judging Updated - 2020
Judges Assignment System (JAS)... Read More +

Collegiate Judges Review Videos
 Vault
 Bars
 Beam
 Floor
 Read More +

Judging Resources
 Judging Scoresheets and Judging Reference Cards
 Additional NCAA Judging Information
 NCAA Videos
 Read More +
Misconceptions

• If the judge does not give a high score, they will not be asked back.

• College coaches stack the line up.

• Inquiries or routine summary requests mean the coach is mad at the judges.
“In an athletic contest, there may be a favorite and an underdog, but the chance to win is guaranteed by a level playing field and having the rules applied fairly to all involved in the contest.” Athletic Directors don’t want to send teams to meets they can’t win.
Professionalism

• Do not rank the gymnasts – judge the routines and let the gymnasts rank themselves.

• Do NOT go on the internet to check out scores/routines – judge what you see today!

• BIAS – Recognize that we all have it. Try to eliminate it from judging
ON
NAWGJ WEB
SITE
Due Diligence in Judging

You are hired to do a job. Be prepared, professional, and conscientious. People are watching! Not just athletes, coaches, and parents, but fans (live and on-line/tv) and also Athletic Directors.
0.1 Matters

• During the course of a meet, 20 scores are counted. A one tenth swing in the score can result in a $\pm$ of 2.00 in a team score.

• No “games” – judging hard to prove a point or trying to “match” the other judges score --that causes inconsistency
“From January through April, from leotard to leotard, from the beginning of the line up to the end, apply the same rules and judge each routine by the same standards.”
From WCGA

Thank-you for supporting collegiate gymnastics. We realize you could choose to judge other meets where you could make more money and we appreciate you supporting our program (although we may not always act like it). Without you we could not exist.
VIRTUAL CLINIC FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN JUDGING COLLEGE MEETS

• Fall Zoom Clinic: “Want to be an NCAA Official? – Judging and Logistics”. For Level 10 and above judges. Send contact information to Jenna Karadbil at JFKncaa@aol.com or to Lois at lcjasnational@gmail.com

• Judges who submitted their names to JAS for the first time in 2020 will receive an email announcement about this clinic.
THE END