



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
Women's Gymnastic Judges

Becoming a Gymnastics Judge!

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Where do I start? Right here!

- What is NAWGJ?
- What are the various ratings of judges?
- What are the requirements to become a judge?
- What do you study?
- How do you test?
- How do you get assigned to meets?
- How much will I get paid?
- What does basic shorthand look like?
- Clinic Opportunities

What is NAWGJ?

- National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges
- Educational and professional organization for judges in the United States
- Numerous educational benefits
- Insurance coverage
- Sounding board for professional concerns



What are the various ratings?

Entry Levels

Level 4/5 compulsory

Level 7/8 optional

Advanced Levels

Level 9

Level 10

National

USA Brevet

International Brevet

What are the requirements to become a judge?

Take the test

Level 4/5 test
and one
Optional test

What are the requirements to become a judge?

Level 4/5 Rating

Eligible for all compulsory levels & some beginning XCEL levels

Level 8 Rating

Eligible for XCEL and 6/7/8

What are the requirements to become a judge?

Level 9 Rating

Eligible for Level 6-9
and XCEL

Level 10 Rating

Eligible for 6 – 10
and XCEL and
Collegiate
Gymnastics

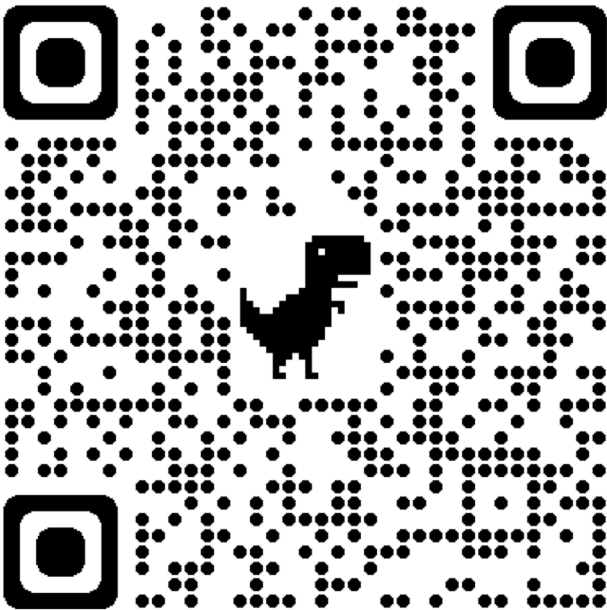
Special Exception for College Gymnasts

- A candidate may begin testing at Level 9 if they were a ...Regional/National competitor as a Senior Level 10 or a college gymnast who competed at Regional/Nationals (any division) as a Collegiate gymnast.
- Those qualified individuals may begin testing at Levels 4/5 and/or Level 9.

Exception for Former Senior Elite Athletes

- A candidate may begin testing at Level 10 if they were a former ... Senior Elite gymnast who participated at a National Elite Classic or above competition.
- Those qualified individuals may begin testing at Levels 4/5 and/or 10.

Exemption Eligibility Form



Revised February 1, 2021

JUDGING ACCREDITATION EXEMPTION ELIGIBILITY FORM

A candidate may begin testing at Level 9 if they are a former or current Level 10 or Collegiate coach who coached at a Regional/National Championships, or a Regional/National competitor as a Senior Level 10 or Collegiate gymnast. Those qualified individuals may begin testing at Levels 4/5 and/or Level 9.

A candidate may begin testing at Level 10 if they are a former or present Elite Coach or Senior Elite gymnast who participated at a National Elite Classic or above competition. Those qualified individuals may begin testing at Levels 4/5 and/or 10.

This form must be completed and submitted to Connie Maloney, Women's Technical Director, 1099 N. Meridian, Suite 800, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or email to cmaloney@usagym.org prior to registering for the exam.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

NAME (INCLUDE MAIDEN NAME) _____ USAG MEMBERSHIP # _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

BIRTH DATE (LEVEL 9-MINIMUM AGE 18, LEVEL 10-MINIMUM AGE 20) _____

EMAIL _____ CELL PHONE # _____

EXPERIENCE

HIGHEST LEVEL COMPETED/COACHED _____

NAME OF CLUB OR INSTITUTION _____

LIST REG/NAT'L COMPETITIONS IN WHICH YOU COMPETED/COACHED (INCLUDE DATES): _____

AUTHORIZATION

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

PRINTED NAME _____

POSITION _____

This form must be signed by a current or past USA Gymnastics National, Regional, or State Officer or by a Collegiate Coach/Athletic Director

Compulsory Test

What do you study?

- **USAG Development Program
Compulsory Book (print version)**
- **Also available on Google Books**

Compulsory Book

RECENT ADDITIONS



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2021-2029 Compulsory Book (mini sized)

Item Number: 9106MINI

Price: \$50.00

1st edition: Perfect for traveling, this convenient mini edition is the official text, illustrations and penalties for Levels 1 through 5 of the Women's Development Compulsory Program. This is a 'must have' for all Compulsory Development Program coaches and judges. Rules valid until July 31, 2029.



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2021-2029 Compulsory Book (full sized)

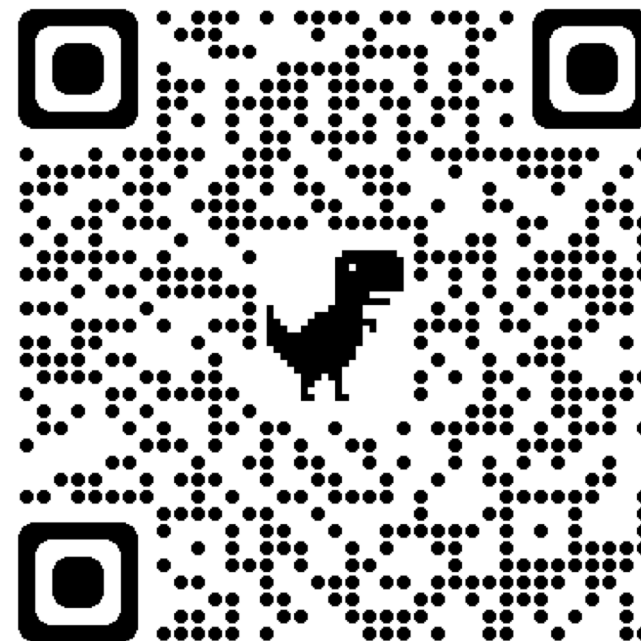
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Optional Test

What do you study?

- USAG Development Program Code of Points.
- Also available on Google Books

Optional Code of Points



2022-2026 Women's Development Program Mini-Code of Points

Item Number: 3117MINI

Price: \$50.00

Mini size. The official "rule book" for Women's Optional levels 6 through 10. Includes all text, deductions and skill illustrations for all four events at each level. A "must have" for all coaches and judges alike. Rules valid August 1, 2022 through July 31, 2026.



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2022-2026 Women's Development Program Optional Code of Points

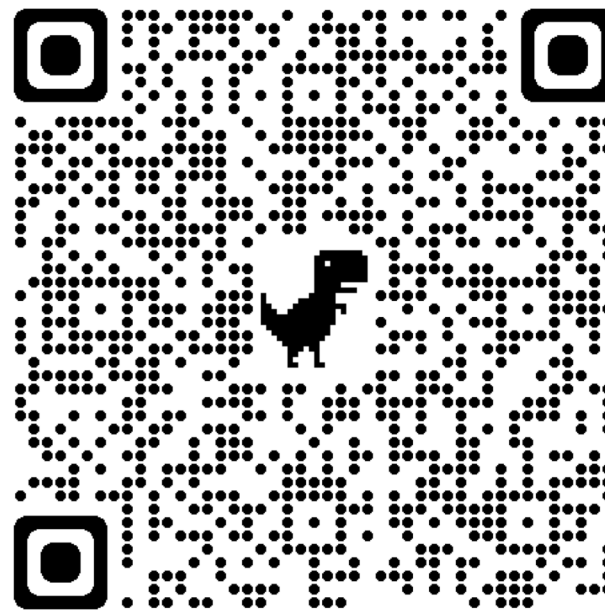
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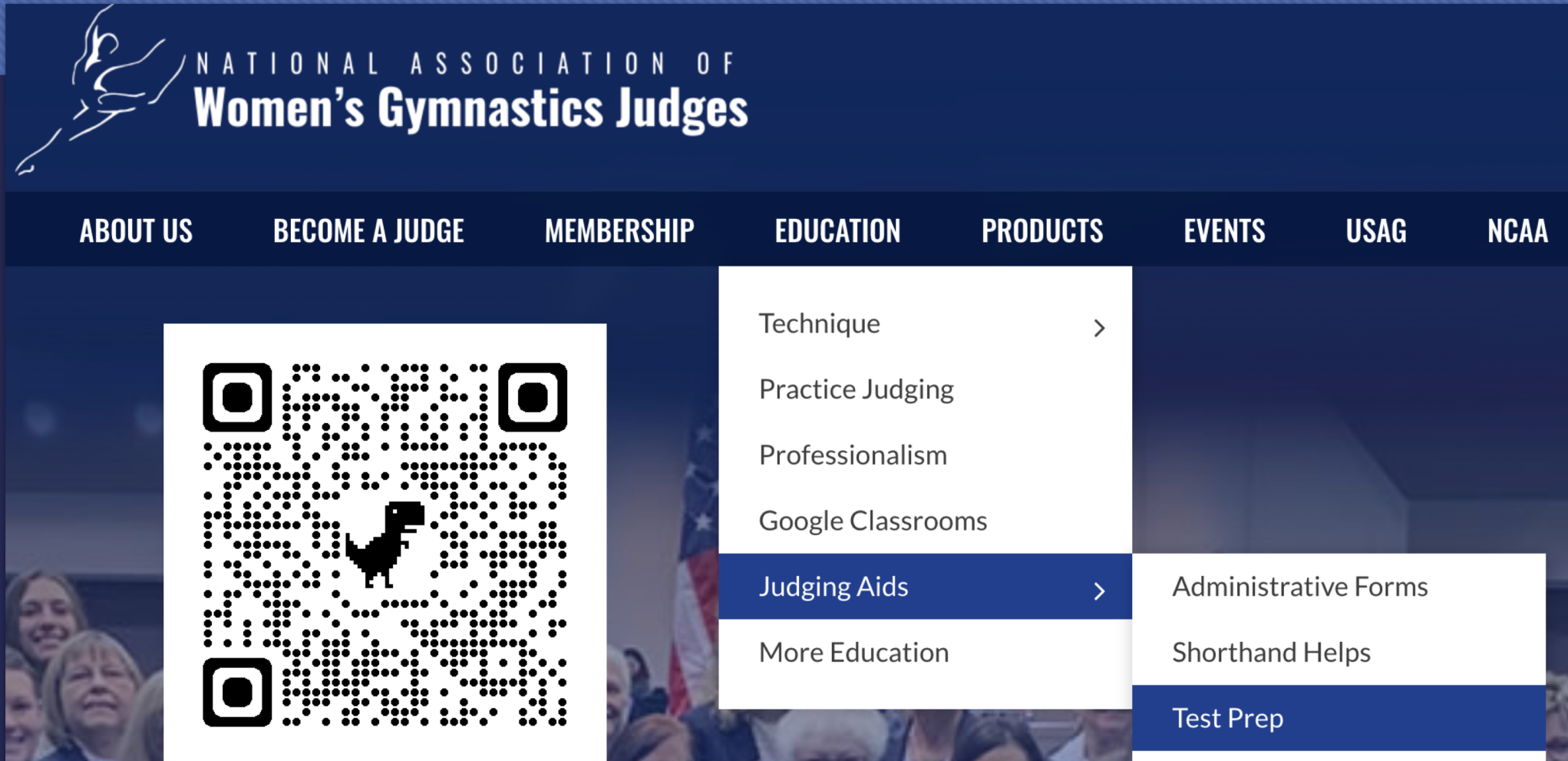
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Test Prep: NAWGJ.org



The image shows the header and navigation menu of the NAWGJ.org website. The header is dark blue with a white logo of a gymnast on the left and the text "NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF Women's Gymnastics Judges" in white. Below the header is a dark blue navigation bar with white text links: "ABOUT US", "BECOME A JUDGE", "MEMBERSHIP", "EDUCATION", "PRODUCTS", "EVENTS", "USAG", and "NCAA". The "EDUCATION" link is highlighted, and a white dropdown menu is open below it. The dropdown menu contains the following items: "Technique", "Practice Judging", "Professionalism", "Google Classrooms", "Judging Aids", and "More Education". The "Judging Aids" item is highlighted in dark blue, and a second white dropdown menu is open below it. This second dropdown menu contains the following items: "Administrative Forms", "Shorthand Helps", and "Test Prep". The "Test Prep" item is highlighted in dark blue. To the left of the "EDUCATION" dropdown menu is a large QR code that, when scanned, likely leads to the Test Prep resources.

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Test Prep

How do you test?

- Written tests are online, open book
- Film tests are offered by Test Administrators (TA) in each state
- Master list of test opportunities on USAG website

NCAA Registry

Women's Program News

Elite Program

Xcel Program

TOPs / Hopes

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Judging Accreditation / Master Testing Schedule

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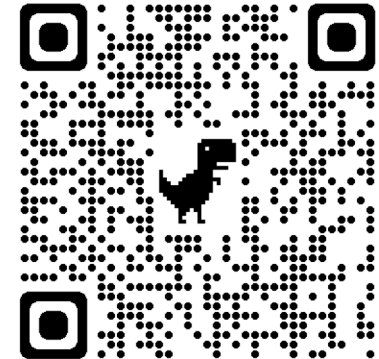
Elections

Committee Minutes

Judging Accreditation

Online Level 4/5 Compulsory Judging Exam Registration

- Registration is available for the **Online Level 4/5 Compulsory Judging exam**. Registration for the Level 4/5 Judging exam is available to both members and non-members of USA Gymnastics who are a minimum of 16 years of age. You must have a username/password. Haven't created a username and password? [Click here](#)
- Once registered, you may take the exam at your convenience. Be aware that on the 50-question multiple choice exam, you will have 60 minutes to complete it. Results will be sent to you via email from USA Gymnastics within several days of completion of the exam. [Click here to register.](#)



OPTIONAL LEVEL 7/8, 9, 10 EXAM REGISTRATIONS:

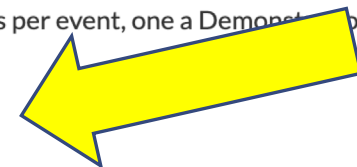
WRITTEN (theoretical) EXAMS: Beginning August 1, 2022, the new 2022-26 Development Program Optional Written exams (50-question multiple choice) will be available as online exams ONLY. Cost: \$25.

- To register for Level 7/8 Written exam, [click here](#)
- To register for Level 9 Written exam, [click here](#)
- To register for Level 10 Written exam, [click here](#)

Important Notice: If you are registering for the Level 9 or 10 Written exam for the first time, please be aware that you must have held the Level 7/8 or Level 9 rating respectively for a minimum of one year before being eligible to "test up". There will not be a 30-day "grace period" for registration of the Written exam.

PRACTICAL EXAMS: The new 2022-26 Level 8, 9 and 10 Practical exams will continue to be administered in-person and will be available at all USAG Congresses held in AUGUST 2022, as well as offered by local Test Administrators throughout the year. Cost: \$25. There are 7 routines per event, one a Demonstration and 6 others. The routine awarded the least number of points out of 5 will be dropped.

To view and/or to register online for currently scheduled in-person Practical exam sessions / locations, [click here.](#)



Passing the Test

Level	Rating Prerequisite	Minimum Age	Written	Practical
4/5	n/a	16	70%	n/a
7/8	n/a	16	70%	70%
9	Level 7/8 for 12 months	18	76%	75%
10	Level 9 for 12 months	18	80%	80%

I passed my test – what now?

- Join USA Gymnastics as Professional Member
 - Complete a Background Check
 - Complete the Safety & Risk Management Course
 - Complete Safe Sport Training
 - Complete review of USAG Safe Sport Policy
- Join other organizations if offered in your locale, e.g. AAU, USAIGC, NGA

What else do I need to do?

- Join NAWGJ at NAWGJ.org
- Practice judge at the levels you will be judging
- Complete CPE (Continuing Professional Education) credits each year to be eligible to accept contracts (after first year).

How do I get assigned to meets?

- Most states use online assigning system
- Register in the system
- Enter dates you are available
- Accept assignments following email notification; generate a contract



Welcome, Marcy!

Select one of the following functions:

- to display a full list of names with their contact information.
- Display detailed information (including address) for the following person.
- to display your own contact and membership information and make updates if required.
- to provide the dates you are available to be assigned.
- to see your current list of assignments and to reply to new assignments.
- to see available information about a meet.
- to see where all the judges live.
- to view the whole season of judging assignments.
- to generate and send contracts.
- to create or view documentation for insured professional activity.

Pay Scale

USA GYMNASTICS JUDGES' COMPENSATION PACKAGE FOR WOMEN'S ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS (EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2021 - JULY 31, 2022)

Rate	\$36.00	\$33.00	\$30.00	\$26.00	\$22.00	\$20.00	\$18.00
Hours	Brevet	National	10	9	4/5 + 6/7/8	6/7/8 only	4/5

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3.5	\$126.00	\$115.50	\$105.00	\$91.00	\$77.00	\$70.00	\$63.00
4	\$144.00	\$132.00	\$120.00	\$104.00	\$88.00	\$80.00	\$72.00
4.5	\$162.00	\$148.50	\$135.00	\$117.00	\$99.00	\$90.00	\$81.00
5	\$180.00	\$165.00	\$150.00	\$130.00	\$110.00	\$100.00	\$90.00
5.5	\$198.00	\$181.50	\$165.00	\$143.00	\$121.00	\$110.00	\$99.00
6	\$216.00	\$198.00	\$180.00	\$156.00	\$132.00	\$120.00	\$108.00
6.5	\$234.00	\$214.50	\$195.00	\$169.00	\$143.00	\$130.00	\$117.00
7	\$252.00	\$231.00	\$210.00	\$182.00	\$154.00	\$140.00	\$126.00
7.5	\$270.00	\$247.50	\$225.00	\$195.00	\$165.00	\$150.00	\$135.00
8	\$288.00	\$264.00	\$240.00	\$208.00	\$176.00	\$160.00	\$144.00
8.5	\$306.00	\$280.50	\$255.00	\$221.00	\$187.00	\$170.00	\$153.00
9	\$324.00	\$297.00	\$270.00	\$234.00	\$198.00	\$180.00	\$162.00
9.5	\$342.00	\$313.50	\$285.00	\$247.00	\$209.00	\$190.00	\$171.00

Travel Expenses Reimbursed

- Mileage at IRS rate: 62.5 cents per mile
- Hotel provided by Meet Director
- Most meals provided by Meet Director
- \$20/meal per diem for meals not provided

Professionalism

NAWGJ Rules and Canons

Standards for professional behavior are reflected in the Canons and Rules

USAG Rules and Policies

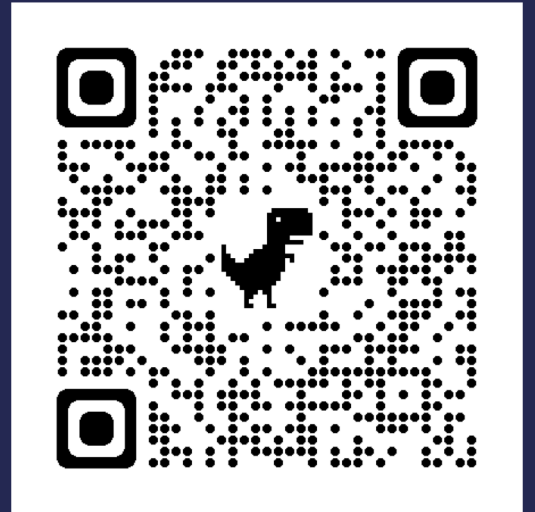
See section on specific responsibilities for judges

Uniform

- Navy skirt/pants and sweater/jacket with white blouse; dresses also available
- NAWGJ uniform after first year

NAWGJ Website

- **Become a Judge section**
- Detailed information on all processes
- Link to Land's End Business Site for ordering uniform



Uniform Options



Uniform Options

5 Products

Sort by: Recommended

36 per page



Women's Cotton Modal Zip Cardigan Jacket
\$74.95



Women's Cotton Modal Long Sleeve V-neck Cardigan Sweater
\$52.95



Women's Long Sleeve Performance Fine Gauge V-neck Button Front Cardigan Sweater
\$52.95



Women's Long Sleeve Performance Fine Gauge V-neck Cardigan Sweater with Pockets
\$49.95 - \$52.95



Women's Performance V-neck Sweater
\$47.95

1 Products












Women's Cotton Polyester V-neck Pocket Cardigan
\$42.95



Women's Thermacheck 100 Custom Embroidered Fleece Jacket
\$45.95 - \$50.95

What else do I need to know?

Body Shapes

Tuck	Pike	Stretched	Straddle	Cross Split	Side Split	Wolf	Cat	Ring
								

- The symbols generally mirror the shape of the skill



Value Parts ____ 3 A (.10) ____ 3 B (.30) ____ 2 C (.50) Special Requirements (.50) ____ Min of 1 C flight* ____ 2 nd different flight, min B* ____ Min C LA turn not in mt/dismt ____ C Salto Dismount *Count for flight but not SR 1 & 2: straddle cut catch, giant hop 1/1, swing releases 1/1	Connection Value C + C = .1 with flight/turn C + C = .1 two dif 3/6/7 flight/turn not required C + D = .1 D + D = .2 Bonus: .10 if .60 & E	Flat .20 ____ < 2 bar change Flat .10 each ____ Direction (not mt/dsmt) 1/1 doesn't count ____ 2 of 3: ____ Fwd ✓ C turn ✓ 3/6/7, min B ____ More than 1 squat on ____ Uncharacteristic ____ ¾ giant forward	Up to .20 Release UTL ____ .00 2 different D/E ____ .05 DC direct ____ .10 D C iso ____ .15 CC direct; DB iso ____ .20 CC iso or CB Up to .10 Dismount UTL ____ .00 = D,E or DC direct ____ .05 = CCC or DCC ____ .10 = CC or less Dynamics > .20	9.50 + CV <u>5</u> + D <u>3</u> + E <u>2</u> - VP ____ - SR ____ SV = <u>10.00</u> Exec <u>35</u> Comp. ____ Dynam ____ Total deducts ____ Score: <u>9.65</u> Bonus + <u>+1.0</u> SCORE <u>9.75</u>
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L 05 head/ext
 B el
 D 05 BP pike
 D +2 05 BP
 C +1 el
 L 05 head
 D 05 BP head
 B D E +2
 05 chest
 05 ldf
 dism:
 nice
 feet!



Hope to see you soon!