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Tennessee Website

Please continue to check www.tnusag.org on a regular basis for important information on the happenings in the State. The 2007-2008 TN Prep Op rules are posted on the website as well as the 2007-2008 State Calendar AND THE 2007-2008 JO update. If you have additions or alterations to the Tennessee State Calendar or to the Tennessee Club Listing please email Larry Corrigan @ CegcCoach1@cs.com.

JO Update

Download the 2007-2008 JO update from the TN website. There are important changes to the Optional program for this year.

JO Program Fund Fees

Yearly JO program fund fees of \$15.00 per registered Competitive Gymnast are due to the TN-SACC office - C/O CEGC, 1553 Ashland City Rd., Clarksville, TN 37040, postmarked no later than 01 August 2007.

Due to the athlete registration / computer issues at USAG this year there will be no late fee assessed on JO fund payments until NOV 1 2007. Remit late JO fund payments to TN-SACC as soon as possible.

Meet Directors

Tennessee Meet Directors are reminded to follow the guidelines listed below after each USAG sanctioned competition, **all required information is due not later than one week after meet is concluded and mailed to TN-SACC C/O CEGC, 1553 Ashland City Rd., Clarksville TN. 37040.**

- 1. Regional Apparel Fee for Meets Held in Tennessee – A Regional Apparel Fee of \$2.00 per gymnast that competed in the meet must be sent to TN –SACC. Make check payable to TN-SACC.*
- 2. Sanction Report Form – The form must be signed by the meet director and have an accurate count of the number of competitors.*
- 3. Meet Results – The results must include: the name and date of the meet, the meet director's name and phone number, the gymnasts' name, level, USAG #, and All-around score. **Please email the results to CegcCoach1@cs.com (MS Excel) following your meet. No Faxes or hard copies.***

Compulsory State Meet Information

LEVEL 3'S ARE WELCOME TO ENTER THE TN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS. QUALIFICATION IS COMPETE IN ONE "IN STATE" MEET

- Compulsory State Meet date is Nov 30- Dec 2, 2007.

- Compulsory State meet will be hosted by the Masters and held at Hendersonville High School.
- ALL ENTRIES TO STATE MEET MUST BE MADE ELECTRONICALLY TO LARRY CORRIGAN AT CLARKSVILLE ELITE GYMNASTICS CENTER (CegcCoach1@cs.com) NOT LATER THAN NOVEMBER 2nd 2007. You will be receiving a blank entry form via email to send in meet information, or you can also download the form from the TN web site.
- **In addition to all USAG required meet entry data you are also required to list each gymnast's highest All Around score for the year at a sanctioned "In State" meet. This information will be used to flight gymnasts and will be checked against reported meet results. THIS INFO IS NOT REQUIRED FOR LEVEL 3'S ONLY NEED TO FILL IN THE MEET NAME ATTENDED.**
- Qualification scores can be updated through November 12th (The Intrigue Invitational). **IF GYMNASTS ARE NOT ELECTRONICALLY REGISTERED THEY WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR STATE MEET. NO FAXES.** Please contact Larry via email or on his cell - (931) 206-6054 - if you have any questions.
- Entry fee for Compulsory State Meet is \$72.00. Team entry for all levels is \$50.00
- **As per the TN-SAC the Compulsory State meet (Levels 4 & 5) will be divided into flights this year. The cut offs will be determined by scores reported to the SACC throughout the season and will be published with final meet information. All scores from all flights will count toward Team scores.**
- Awards at Compulsory State Meet will be presented to a minimum of 50% of gymnasts in all sessions.
- 4 scores will count again this year for L4 & 5 team competition. 3 scores for L3 & L6.
- No outside equipment / mats will be allowed on the competition floor

Optional State Meet Information

- The tentative schedule for the meet will be: Friday - All Level 7's, Saturday - All Level 8, 9 and 10 gymnasts, Saturday evening - Gymnasts reception, Sunday - All Prep Op gymnasts.
- The entry fee for Optional State Meet will be set at \$80.00.
- ALL ENTRIES TO STATE MEET MUST BE MADE ELECTRONICALLY TO LARRY CORRIGAN AT CLARKSVILLE ELITE GYMNASTICS

(CegcCoach1@cs.com) NOT LATER THAN MARCH 7TH 2008. IF GYMNASTS ARE NOT ELECTRONICALLY REGISTERED THEY WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR STATE MEET. NO FAXES Please contact Larry via email or on his cell - (931) 206-6054 - if you have any questions.

Judging Information

- Before judging a USAG sanctioned meet in Tennessee, new compulsory judges are required to have at least **10** judgments per event per level for levels 4, 5, and 6. Requirements can be fulfilled by
 - 1) Practice judging a meet session
 - 2) Video judging with a higher rated official
 - 3) In gym experience with a higher rated official.

Each judge must have a higher rated official sign off on his/her practice judging sessions and send one copy to each:

Sibby Lane, 2121 Mark Lane, Maryville, TN 37803 and

Kerma Headrick, 309 Oak Glen Circle, Maryville, TN 37803

Before judging a USAG sanctioned meet in Tennessee, new level 7/8 judges must practice judge at least 2 sessions at a USAG sanctioned meet and new Level 9 /10 judges must practice judge at least 1 session at a USAG sanctioned meet.

All new judges must practice judge all four events.

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- In Gym Experience Cards are required for all judges. Requirement is to spend 6 hours for Compulsory and 9 hours for Optional (**deleted time requirement**) working with gymnasts. It is strongly recommended that half of those hours be fulfilled outside the judge's gym of affiliation.
- State Meet Assignment Criteria:
 - i. Availability of Judge (signature on availability contract)
 - ii. Head judge Availability; most experienced judges assigned first
 - iii. Active judging of USAG meets during current season at appropriate level
 - iv. Professional development activities of judges
 - v. Affiliation (not assigned as Chief Judge if affiliated)Additional - Geographical Representation as not a requirement but a

consideration

Prep Optional Rules

- The rules for this season have been finalized and are posted on the Tennessee State Website at www.tnusatg.org.

General Rules for the 2007-2008 Year

*JO Fund Fees will be \$15 per gymnast and must be postmarked by August 1st. You may use the state meet entry form that can be downloaded from the Tennessee website at www.tnusaq.org to record JO funds. Make check payable to TN-SACC and mail to TN-SACC C/O CEGC 1553 Ashland City Rd. Clarksville TN. 37040. **Due to the athlete registration / computer issues at USAG this year there will be no late fee assessed on JO fund payments until NOV 1 2007. Remit late JO fund payments to TN-SACC as soon as possible.***

- State Meet Admission Fees
\$8 for Adults ages 13 & up; \$3 for Children ages 6-12; Age 5 & under Free
- Team Divisions for Compulsory State Meet
Level 4 & 5 - top 4 scores
Level 6 -10 - top 3 scores
- State Meet Judges
A 2 judge panel will be used for Compulsory State Meet as well as the Prep Op sessions at Optional State Meet. **A 4 judge panel will be used for Level 7 and up.**
- Declaration Dates, Qualification Dates and State Meet Entry Dates
All declaration dates will be 4 weeks prior to State Meet
Friday, November 2, 2007 for Compulsories
Friday, March 7, 2008 for Optionals
All Qualification dates will be 2 weeks prior to the State Meet
Friday November 16, 2007 for Compulsories
Friday March 21, 2008 for Optionals
- All State Meet Entry dates will be 4 weeks prior to the State Meet (entries must be electronically to CegcCoach1@cs.com)
Midnight Friday, November 2, 2007 for Compulsories
Midnight Friday, March 7, 2008 for Optionals
(Meet fees due at this time)

All requests for late entries must be sent to and approved by the SACC. Requests must include a check for the entry fee plus the late fee made out to the TN-SACC.

- All gymnasts that fail to qualify for the State Meet are guaranteed a full refund of the State Meet entry fee.
- Out of State Meet Scores
 - Are the responsibility of individual coaches
 - Are due to the SACC 4 weeks prior to the State Meet, with the exception of those meets held within 4 weeks of the State Meet
 - Are charged a \$25 late fee per gymnast if the scores are submitted late.
- State Meet Qualification Scores
Prep Op. - Compete All Around in one TN sanctioned meet

Level 3 -	Compete All Around in one TN sanctioned meet
Level 4, -	Compete All Around in one TN sanctioned meet
Level 5 -	28.00 AA
Level 6 -	30.00 AA
Level 7 -	30.00 AA
Level 8 -	30.00 AA
Level 9-	32.00 AA
Level 10 -	32.00 AA

- State meet entry fees are \$72.00 for compulsory, \$80.00 for Prep Op / Optional.
- Tennessee meet directors must give Level 4 achievement ribbons but not Level 5 achievement ribbons.