



WOMEN'S JOINT JO/TECH COMMITTEE MEETING
Via ZOOM
Saturday, May 2, 2020

Meeting was called to order by NJOCC Tom Koll and NTCC Cheryl Hamilton at 12:00 PM on May 2, 2020.

ROLL CALL	JO Committee	Tech Committee	
	Tom Koll – NJOCC	Cheryl Hamilton - NTCC	Christy Naik - JOPD
Region 1	Shane McIntyre	Gigi Iavarone	Connie Maloney - JOTD
Region 2	Tiffany Quincy	Linda Mulvihill	Annie Heffernon - VP
Region 3	Rich Villareal	Carole Bunge	Claudia Kretschmer – NXCC
Region 4	Paige Roth	Linda Thorberg	Jennifer Krause – NACC (incoming)
Region 5	Kittia Carpenter	Char Christensen	Cori Rizzo – NACC
Region 6	Jamie Winkler	Pat Panichas	
Region 7	Linda Johnson	Myra Elfenbein	
Region 8	Brad Harris	Marian Dykes	

1. Tom welcomed the committees and thanked them for their time and commitment to the Women's Program.
2. Annie thanked the committees for their ongoing support to USA Gymnastics. She provided a USA Gymnastics update.

All of the following clarifications and recommendations for change are effective August 1, 2020, unless otherwise stated.

JO Compulsory Book

3. BARS: Recommendation to add to the extra swing deduction in the JO Compulsory Book under General Faults and Penalties: 0.30 Intermediate (Extra) Swing or Cast
 - Max 0.50 More than one (1) consecutive Extra Swing/Cast after an element
 Motion: Pat Panichas
 Second: Shane McIntyre
 Passed
4. BEAM: Clarification for Compulsory Book regarding the CROSS HANDSTAND elements:
 - When considering the completion of the CROSS HANDSTAND, the element is “completed” and eligible to receive full credit when the gymnast has stepped down onto the beam with both feet to a closed or lunge position.

JO Code of Points (COP)

5. **COP GENERAL:** Clarification on GENERAL – 6, regarding technical verbal cues:

<u>0.20</u>	Technical Verbal Cues by Coach or Teammate(s) to own Gymnast (after a warning)
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 - Add bullet: The Judge(s) must hear the words.
6. **COP GENERAL and VAULT:** Clarification on GENERAL – 13.II.B – and VAULT – 5.F., add 4., renumber accordingly:
 4. Whenever a Zero score is one of the counting scores, the allowable score range does NOT apply.



7. **COP VAULT:** Recommendation to add to VAULT – 9: Level 6/7 Vault Landing deductions

Up to 0.20	ONLY one (1) foot touches Mat Stack, apply deduction for leg separation only
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Motion: Marian Dykes
 Second: Myra Elfenbein
 Passed

8. **COP VAULT:** Clarification on Level 6/7 VAULT – 9, SECOND FLIGHT PHASE:

- **INSUFFICIENT LENGTH**
 When evaluating length, consider size of the Gymnast, type of Vault, where the hands contact the Table, **location of the center of mass upon initial contact of Mat Stack**, and overall trajectory (amplitude) of the 2nd flight phase; not the distance from where the Gymnast **first makes contact on the Mat Stack in relation to the end of the Vault Table**.

9. **COP VAULT:** Recommendation to add to Level 6/7 VAULT:

- VAULT – 6: Miscellaneous Vault Rules: 8.a. and 9.a.: change “arms finishing high” to “**arm position optional**”.
- VAULT – 9, SECOND FLIGHT PHASE deduction chart:

No Deduction	The arm position when leaving the table will not be evaluated.
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Motion: Brad Harris
 Second: Char Christensen
 Passed

10. **COP BEAM:** Recommendation to add to Appendix 15 Beam, page 2, add Note:

- Any acro element performed a 3rd time and receiving no value part that is used in a direct connection to a Beam dismount element may be used to fulfill the Beam dismount compositional requirement as a connection. The 0.10 deduction for performing an isolated Dismount element would not be applied. This applies to Levels 8, 9 and 10.

Motion: Pat Panichas
 Second: Kittia Carpenter
 Passed

11. **COP BEAM:** An ad-hoc committee was formed to recommend designation of Beam Group 1 Mount elements as “Not Acro” and to make any additional Dance elements designations.

- “Not Acro” 1.103, 1.203, 1.303, 1.403, 1.106, 1.206
- “Dance” Add 1.204 and 1.304 to the mounts already designated with a (D).
- All other Mount elements are considered “Acro” and may be used for compositional consideration of “Choice of Beam Acro Elements Not Up to the Competitive Level”.

Motion: Pat Panichas
 Second: Linda Johnson
 Passed



12. COP BEAM:

- BEAM – 11.V.E.4. add c.: Recommendation that any Leap/Jump that is required to have 180° leg separation, but achieves less than 135° leg separation will be awarded “A” Value-Part credit, but will not be eligible to fulfill the Special Requirement of One Leap/Jump that requires 180 ° Cross/Side Split.
Motion: Pat Panichas
Second: Gigi Iavarone
Passed
- BEAM – 11.V.E.4.b. amend third row of chart: If a leap/jump that is required to have 180° leg separation is awarded “A” Value-Part credit due to leg separation of 134° or less, a deduction of Up to 0.20 will be applied for insufficient leg separation.
Motion: Char Christensen
Second: Linda Thorberg
Passed
- BEAM – 18, 20 & 21 – Special Requirement.2.: One (1) Leap or Jump that requires 180° Cross or Side Split: Recommendation to amend to read:
 - Must achieve a minimum of 135° separation.
 1. No Special Requirement awarded with less than 135° leg separation.
 2. Deduct up to 0.20 for insufficient split for leg separation between 135° – 179°

13. COP BEAM

- A. BEAM - 23 III.A.1. Change to read: Backward Acro Series and Sideward to Backward Acro Series with one (1) or more Flight Elements:
- B. BEAM-29, II. Specific Execution Deductions chart: Lack of Tempo/Poor Rhythm between Elements, update:

<u>EXCEPTION</u>	Backward Acro Series OR Sideward to Backward Acro Series with one (1) or more Flight Elements is Connected or <u>not</u> Connected; Tempo Deduction does <u>not</u> apply.
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14. COP FLOOR: Committee discussed the possibility of awarding an additional +0.10 CV Bonus for C+C Direct Connection of Two (2) or more Saltos/Aerials (Acro elements without hand support). While the committees agree that this is a good idea to explore with the implementation of the new *JO Code* in 2022, the majority agreed that now is not the time to change since many other combinations would need to be considered.

- ~~Recommendation to award an additional +0.10 CV Bonus for C+C (or more difficult) Direct Connection of Two (2) or more Saltos/Aerials (Acro elements without hand support), resulting in a total of +0.30 CV Bonus (Level 10 only)~~

Motion: Shane McIntyre

Motion failed to receive a second, no additional action taken at this time.



15. COP FLOOR: Recommendation to amend FLOOR - 18, Special Requirement #4. – delete a.1) Failure to land on bottom of feet first, add b., change previous b. to c. and previous c. to d.:

- a. LEVEL 8 / 9 / 10 - Last Salto does not receive Value-Part credit due to:
- 1) Performed for third time in the exercise.
 - 2) Performed for second time in exact same series.
 - 3) Restricted element (LEVEL 8 / 9).
 - 4) Spot during element.
- Deduct 0.50 from the Start Value for missing Special Requirement #4.
Deduct 0.30 from the Start Value for No Dismount (no Value-Part credit).
Deduct 0.50 from the Start Value for more than one Restricted Element (LEVEL 8 / 9).

EXAMPLE: LEVEL 9:

First Pass: Round-off, Flic-Flac, Salto Backward Stretched 2 ½ twist ("D")

Last Pass: Front Pike ("B"), Round-off, Flic-Flac, Double Back Salto Tucked ("No VP")

- ✓ No value awarded due to 2nd Restricted Acro ("D") Element.
- ✓ Front Pike fulfills minimum of ("B") Salto in last Acro Series;
do not deduct 0.30 for Value-Part credit for Last Salto.

b. Last salto initiated but does not land on bottom of feet first

- 1) No Value Part credit awarded
- 2) Deduct 0.50 from the Start Value for missing Special Requirement #4
- 3) Deduct 0.50 for the fall.
- 4) Deduct 0.50 from the Start Value for more than one Restricted Element (LEVEL 8/9), if applicable.
- 5) **DO NOT deduct 0.30 for no dismount.**

- c. Last Salto was NEVER initiated.
- 1) Deduct 0.50 from Start Value, no Special Requirement #4 (no Value Part).
 - 2) Deduct 0.30 from Start Value for no attempt to perform Last Salto.
 - 3) Deduct 0.50 if a fall occurs.

Motion: Gigi Iavarone

Second: Pat Panichas

Passed

Women's Program Rules and Policies (R&P)

16. Recommendation to update R&P page 100 (I.A.3.c) and 102 (chart).

- Page 100.IA.3.c.:
- c. For both of these non-traditional formats, the total number of athletes assigned to the two squads that start on the same event (one squad in Flight A and the other squad in Flight B) cannot exceed:
 - Sixteen (16) for Levels 8-10
 - Eighteen (18) for Levels 6/7 combined with Levels 8-10
 - Twenty (20) for Levels 6 and/or 7 only
 - Twenty-four (24) for Levels 1-5.
 - Splitting the timed warm-ups within the squad is **NOT** allowed if there are:
 - Nine (9) or more Level 8-10 or Level 6/7 combined with Level 8-10
 - Eleven (11) or more Levels 6 and/or 7 only
 - Thirteen (13) or more Level 1-5 in any of the eight (8) squads
 - It is recommended that there be no less than five gymnasts per squad.

Page 102 Chart:

Maximum number of athletes allowed in a session combining Level 6/7 athletes with Level 8-10 athletes: Traditional formats: 60 – no more than 28 Level 8-10, Non-Traditional formats: 72 – no more than 32 Level 8-10

Motion: Carole Bunge

Second: Linda Mulvihill

Passed



17. Recommendation to change **R&P** page 92.4.d. Delete e. and change d. to:

- d. At Levels **1-10**, the mount mat (not a springboard) may be placed on a 20 cm (8") skill cushion for the purpose of mounting.

Motion: Linda Thorberg

Second: Jamie Winkler

Passed

18. Recommendation revise **R&P** page 109.H.5.a.:

- a. **At all sanctioned competitions**, a coach can request video review by the Meet Referee and the highest rated unaffiliated judge (if video is available) in the event that the inquiry involves possibility that the judges missed an element that would affect the Start Value. The video review process may NOT be used to appeal a judgement of degree assessment, i.e. degree of casts, handstands, incomplete turns, direct connection of elements, or leg separation in leaps as well as other like skills.

Motion: Kittia Carpenter

Second: Carole Bunge

Passed

Meeting Adjourned 3:30 PM, Saturday, May 2, 2020.