



## **Interim Replacement Section V R&P**

**The following rules were created based on the current scenario of cancelled State and Regional Championships and Elite Challenge. Should this scenario further change, the PC will amend these further.**

**For the guidance of members, the following rules will replace clause I.E in the published R&P for the 2020 season only. All other R&P rules will remain in place unless advised.**

### **D. Stars & Stripes Championships & USA Gymnastics Championships Qualifying Process**

1. JO athletes competing in Levels 5-7 may attend the Stars & Stripes Championships. JO athletes competing at Levels 8-10 may attend the USA Gymnastics Championships.
2. Eligibility Competitions
  - a. An eligibility competition is any USA Gymnastics Trampoline & Tumbling competition sanctioned as an eligibility competition that an athlete attends prior to the State or Regional Championships.
  - b. Athletes must be registered for (entered into) at least two (2) USA Gymnastics Trampoline & Tumbling eligibility competitions during the current competition season prior to State or Regional Championships. The same meet may be used for both eligibility and to hit the qualification score.
  - c. State and Regional Championships:
    - i. For State and/or Regional Championships cancelled after the closing date, athletes must have been registered for that Championships.
    - ii. For State and/or Regional Championships cancelled prior to the closing date, the requirement to compete at that Championships is waived.
  - d. Competitors must hit the modified qualification scores at any sanctioned meet within the current competitive season. Amended qualification scores are defined as 2.0 lower than the 2020 qualification scores detailed in the R&P.
  - e. A State Chair may waive eligibility requirements for athletes who are unable to complete the above process. Proof of injury, illness, unforeseen or extenuating circumstances is required. The State Chair is under no obligation to waive eligibility requirements if he/she feels it is not in the best interest of the athlete.

- f. The competitive season begins August 1 of each year.
  - g. Athletes are not required to compete in all events in which they wish to earn eligibility. Athletes in level 5-10 who are injured and unable to compete may enter, pay the appropriate entry fee, and salute in order to earn eligibility. A score of zero will be entered in the results in order to show participation, but the athletes will not receive an award.
  - h. The State Chair will determine eligibility based on the results submitted by the meet directors and coaches.
3. Qualifying Procedures
- a. Only USA Gymnastics athlete members competing at Levels 5-10 who have met the eligibility and qualifying requirements may enter Stars & Stripes Championships and/or USA Gymnastics Championships.
  - b. Only Level 10 competitors may enter by petition, upon approval, if all petition requirements are met.
  - c. The competitors must qualify at the State Championships or Regional Championships for the state/region in which the competitor's club is a member. Athletes with extenuating circumstances may apply to compete in another State or Region. The petition must be sent to the Regional Chair, and will be voted upon by the Regional Chair, Relevant Committee (JO or Elite) Chair and USA Gymnastics Athlete Representative. All rules and/or directives of the replacement competition must be abided by.
  - d. Synchronized pairs must qualify as individual trampoline athletes and declare themselves as a synchronized pair by the USA Gymnastics Championship entry deadline.
  - e. The competitor must compete in his/her own age group, or in the case of Synchronized Trampoline, the age group of the older partner.
  - f. The competitor must compete in only one (1) level per discipline. For example, an athlete can compete at Level 7 in Trampoline and Level 8 in Tumbling, but never Level 7 and Level 8 in Tumbling.
  - g. Entries to the Stars & Stripes Championships and/or USA Gymnastics Championships must be at same level at which the athlete qualified at the last competition he/she attended. For example, if an athlete qualified at Level 8 in the first competition but competed at Level 9 in the next competition and did not reach the qualifying score, then the athlete cannot enter their respective Championships at that level.
  - h. Athletes may enter the Stars & Stripes Championships and/or USA Gymnastics Championships if they meet requirements for eligibility and meet the qualifying scores set by the Trampoline & Tumbling Program Committee.

4. 2020 Stars & Stripes Championships Amended Qualifying Scores

Level	Tumbling	Double Mini	Trampoline
5	50.8	53.8	22.5
6	47.2	53.8	22.5
7	47.2	53.8	22.5

Note: All scores are total scores. Scores are for all age groups, boys and girls.

5. USA Gymnastics Championships Qualifying Scores

Level	Tumbling	Double Mini	Trampoline	Synchro
8	50.6	55.6	50.0	N/A
9	52.1	56.6	51.5	Individual
10	53.2	57.4	52.5	Individual

Note: All scores are total scores from preliminary round. Scores are for all age groups, boys and girls.

6. Petitions

- a. There are no petitions for Levels 5-7 to the Stars & Stripes Championships.
- b. There are no petitions for Levels 8-9 to the USA Gymnastics Championships.
- c. Level 10
  - i. Current Level 10 athletes are eligible to petition to the USA Gymnastics Championships.
  - ii. Athletes who are unable to qualify due to illness, injury, or unforeseen circumstances may petition to enter the USA Gymnastics Championships. The petition must be submitted in accordance with the approved petition procedure.
  - iii. Only athletes who placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> in the same event at the previous USA Gymnastics Championships or who were in the top fifty (50) percent of those who competed in the last USA Gymnastics Championships will be allowed to petition to participate in the current USA Gymnastics Championships.
  - iv. Before a petition may be granted, the athlete must demonstrate that an injury, illness or other unforeseen circumstance exists which prevented the athlete from competing in or completing one or more of the qualifying events. The petition must be submitted as soon as the athlete becomes aware that he/she cannot compete in or complete such events. Petitions will not be accepted if the athlete did not attend qualifiers (salute in at least once discipline) in order to participate in another sport or event.
  - v. Petitions must be submitted in writing to the National Office as soon as possible after the athlete determines his/her inability to compete, and before the entry deadline for the USA Gymnastics Championships. The petition must be in the form of a letter stating the reason for the rationale behind the petition. In the case of injury or illness, the athlete will

present a signed and dated letter from the physician on physician letterhead stating the diagnosis, previous limitations, and clearance to compete at the USA Gymnastics Championships. A \$25.00 non-refundable administrative fee must accompany the petition.

- vi. The JO Committee Chair, Program Director and Athlete Selection Representative will decide petitions. They will be considered as expeditiously as possible. The petitioner will be immediately notified, once a decision has been reached. The decision of the JO Committee Chair, Program Director and Athlete Selection Representative is final.