**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (0.2 EACH)**

**UNEVEN BARS**

a) Minimum of two bar changes.
b) Two flight elements, minimum of two different C’s OR a D and B (not to include dismount).
c) One element with longitudinal axis (LA) turn, minimum of “C” (not to include mount or dismount).
d) “C” dismount immediately preceded by same two A or B elements = 0.10 deduction (not .20) Taken from Start Value.

d) Minimum of 2 bar changes.

**BALANCE BEAM**

a) Acro series - Minimum of 2 flight elements, one element must be minimum of C with or without hand support (may include mount) OR an ‘A’ non-flight element from group 7 (walkovers/cartwheels) connected to an E acro skill. Acro series may not be connected to the dismount and must stop on the beam.
b) Dance series with a minimum of two elements, one element C or higher.
c) A leap or jump requiring 180° split. (may be part of dance series)
d) Minimum of 360° turn from Group 3. No hand support permitted.
e) Minimum of C dismount, or B dismount preceded by and directly connected to any D acro element.

**COMPOSITION**

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**FLOOR EXERCISE**

a) One Acrobatic series with two saltos (same or different), OR two directly connected saltos.
b) Three different saltos within the exercise.
c) The salto performed as the last isolated salto or within the last salto connection must be minimum “C”.
d) Dance passage with a minimum of two different Group 1 elements, directly or indirectly connected, one of which is a leap (one foot take-off) requiring a 180° cross or side split position. An indirect connection would allow for running steps, small leaps, hops, chassés, assemblés, or any kind of turn on 1 or 2 feet between the two dance VPs.

**UNEVEN BARS**

a) Lack of variety in choice of elements and/or connections (0.05) flat
b) Insufficient distribution (0.05) flat
c) More than one squat/stoop on LB with or w/o sole circle to grasp HB (0.1 each)
d) Uncharacteristic elements (0.1 each)
e) ½ giant circle forward w/ or w/o grip change (0.1 each)
f) Choice of elements not up to the competitive level (0.1) flat
1. A single bar release with a minimum of “D” value
   OR an “E” release move
   OR minimum of two “D” releases
   OR minimum two “E” level skills
2. Exercise must have minimum of “D” dismount or “C” dismount in bonus combination.

**FLOOR EXERCISE**

a) Lack of variety in choice of elements:
   1. Lack of Dance Bonus from Groups 1 or 2 (minimum of +0.1 CV OR +0.1 D/E Bonus is required) (0.1) flat
   2. Missing backward salto with a minimum of A value (0.1) flat
   3. Spatially (floor pattern) (0.05) flat
   4. Choice of elements not up to the competitive level (0.1) flat
   5. One E valued element (acro or dance)
   6. OR two different D elements (one of which must be an Acro element)
   7. One Acro SERIES with a C salto or better
   8. An Acro dismount with a C (minimum) salto in bonus combination
   9. OR a D (minimum) salto

e) Floor routines with only 2 tumbling passes must include min D element in one of the passes & min D or 0.2 CV in the other pass (in any order) (0.1) flat

**BALANCE BEAM**

a) Lack of variety in choice of Acro elements
   1. Missing backward Acro element-minimum A value (0.1) flat
   2. More than one leap/jump/hop to prone (0.1 each)
   3. Insufficient distribution (0.05) flat
   Consider: Level of difficulty not maintained throughout the exercise. Most difficult elements placed in the same section of the exercise.
   c) Insufficient use of entire beam apparatus
   1. Insufficient level changes throughout the exercise (0.05) flat
   2. Spatially (use the entire length of the beam) (0.05) flat
   3. Directionally (movement/choreography fwd, bkwd, sdwd) (0.05) flat
   d) Choice of elements not up to the competitive level (0.1) flat
   1. If a flight series is performed on the beam WITHOUT Connection Value (consider only those skills performed on the beam), then an additional D Acro element OR an E dance element including mounts and dismounts, is required.

**Element Value Exceptions**

| Uprise Handstand with ½ = D |
| 1-1/2 turn in HS = E |
| Fwd/bkwd Stalder to HS or with ½ = D |
| Fwd/bkwd Stalder to HS with 1/1 turn = E |
| All elements that inc. 1/1 turn after HS (Healy) = D |

| Ring jump or stag-ring jump with 1/1 turn = D |
Hesitation in jump or swing to HS ( poor rhythm in elements/connections ( insufficient extension of glides/swing into kips ( precision of handstand positions throughout ( full support on foot/feet on mat during routine ( 0.5 ))

Insufficient Angle of turn completion ( 0.3 )
Insufficient Angle of arrival – Flight to HS on LB ( 0.5 )
Swing forward or backward under horizontal ( 0.1 each )
Under-rotation of release/flight elements ( 0.1 )
Precision of handstand positions throughout ( 0.1 )
Insufficient extension of glides/swing into kips ( 0.1 )
Poor rhythm in elements/connections ( 0.1 )
Hesitation in jump or swing to HS ( 0.1 )
Touch, brush of foot/feet on apparatus/mat ( 0.1 )
Landing too close to bars on dismount ( 0.1 )
Insufficient amplitude of elements ( 0.02 each )
Insufficient dynamics ( 0.2 )
Hit of foot/feet on apparatus ( 0.2 )
Incorrect padding ( heel/hip) CJ ( 0.20 )
Insufficient height of salto dismount ( 0.3 )
Insufficient extension (open) of tuck/pike prior to landing dismount ( 0.3 )
Insufficient Amplitude of casts ( 0.3 )
Insufficient Angle of turn completion ( 0.3 )
Hit of foot/feet on mat ( 0.3 )
Grasp on apparatus to avoid a fall ( 0.3 )
Intermediate (extra) swing ( 0.3 ) max 0.6 per skill
Insufficient amplitude of "B" Clear hip circles ( 0.4 )
Full support on foot/feet on mat during routine ( 0.5 )
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SCORING
Open scoring required at all meets.
 Judges are to sit apart.
 All scores will be flashed and rotated, but only the average score will be raised and rotated.
 Both the SV & the score will be flashed simultaneously.

SCORE RANGE
The range of scores is determined by the two counting scores. If the average score is between those listed below then the two counting scores must be within


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Conferences should only occur when counting scores are out of range or if impossible SV, UTL or if inquiry submitted.

OUT OF ORDER
Out of Order (0.1 team score deduction)

CONDUCT
The following procedures may be executed by any panel judge, chief judge or the meet referee (MR) and will appear as a neutral deduction on the score sheet.

A. Gymnast’s unsportsmanlike conduct:
   - First-time will be a warning (MR is notified).
   - Second-time the MR is notified and there will be a 0.10 deduction taken from the gymnast’s score for that event by the MR or chief judge.
B. Coach’s unsportsmanlike conduct:
   - First-time will be a warning -- yellow card issued (MR is notified).
   - Second-time MR is notified and there will be a 0.10 deduction taken from the team score by the MR for each violation. Coach in violation may remain on the floor for safety purposes.

EQUIPMENT
All equipment must be used as intended by the manufacture.

A. The only allowable entry pads are the TAC-10 RO pads.
B. The RO pad may be used only for RO Vaults or Front handspring onto the board entry vaults.
C. No chalk marks are permitted on the vault runway; the tape measure is to be used to determine where to begin the approach for vault; chalk marks may be used on the student-athlete as needed (e.g., hands, feet, legs). If a mark is necessary; only removable tape or Velcro may be used.
D. 1 ½” padded vault runway is required for all competitions and must extend a minimum of 82 feet from the base of the apparatus. The gymnast may use the entire length of a manufactured runway (beyond 62 feet if available). Exceptions to the minimum runway will be made in cases where a host institution cannot provide 82 feet of runway due to venue limitations. In such cases, the host institution must notify visiting team(s) in writing, of the distance that will be provided, before meet contracts are signed. No deduction will be taken, if a gymnast starts off the runway to begin her approach.
E. Low bar must be adjustable to 165 centimeters and the high bar adjustable to 245 centimeters without the bar height adapters. (AAI 155cm-185cm from floor to top of bar +/-1cm) and the high bar adjustable to 245 centimeters (AAI 235-236cm from floor to top of the bar +/-1cm)
F. The uneven bars should be set so that the low bar and the high bar lean at the same angle when the bars are set at the maximum width according to AAI specifications (192 cm +/-1 cm).
G. If a gymnast has a broken/torn grip, she may repeat her routine as the last team competitor or after the all-around competitor (specialist). If this does not allow for a sufficient amount of time to change grips or enough time to prepare, the gymnast will repeat the routine as soon as it is safe to do so. However, the time should not exceed five minutes. (Note: Common sense and safety must always prevail.)
H. Foreign Substance. Foreign substances may NOT be placed on the hands and/or feet of the gymnasts or any piece of equipment (e.g.: honey and sugar, tuff skin, etc.) Water, Chalk, AAI solutions and AAI hand tac/10 towels are the only acceptable substances.
I. The maximum run distance that must be provided for mounts on uneven bars and balance beam during competition is 27 ½’ from the base or leg of the respective apparatus. If more than 27 ½” of matting exists, the maximum run distance may be used. [Note: the host institution need not provide more than the minimum which will be provided at NCAA regional and national competition]. Exceeding the length of the provided manufactured matting will result in a .10 deduction from the gymnast’s score.
J. If a plywood board is used under the springboard for mounting bars and beam, then it must be a ½” plywood board with a non-skid surface on both sides.
K. It is allowable to mount off a 4 inch mat on top of a sting on Uneven Bars and Balance Beam
L. Except for a small mark on the top surface of the beam, chalk may not be applied directly to the beam. A small amount of chalk may be applied to the gymnast’s hands and feel as needed for safety.
M. A minimum of 15 ½’ matting must be available on the dismount end of the beam.
N. A chalk arc line may be placed on the corners of the floor exercise mat.
O. If a mat used on floor exercise exceeds the boundary lines, the mat must be clearly marked with tape (not chalk) to indicate the actual boundary lines. Failure to mark the mat will result in a 0.10 deduction taken off the average. Tape may not be placed in the center of the floor exercise mat.
P. Only one of the following mats: Sting mat, 4” Throw mat, 8” Skill cushion may be used per tumbling pass/leap combination (i.e., a gymnast may not punch off one mat and land on another). EXCEPTION: Sting mat on floor are allowed, but they count as two mats if stacked. There shall be no more than two mats on the floor.
Q. Floor Exercise Field of Play: 12m x 12m +/-3cm. If tape line outside of line: (39.4 ½ ” x 39.4 ½ ”)
R. Beam and Vault Table measures from top of the beam and vault to floor. (126cm +/-1 1/4”)

UNIFORMS
An institution’s official uniform and all other items of apparel (i.e., tights, t-shirts, warm-ups, tennis shoes) must be identical if worn on either practice or competition day. During the March in and awards ceremony, team members must be in identical warmup apparel. In addition, for NCAA competition, a gymnast will be considered “in uniform” if she has a name and/or number on her warm-up apparel and leotard as long as all team members use a similar font type and color. Names will include only the first initial of the first name and the full last name. Nicknames not permitted. If two or more gymnasts have the same initials and last names, the first name may be spelled out.
A. Gymnasts must wear one-piece leotards that include briefs that are the same color of the leotard or are skin-tone in color. There is no deduction for an exposed sports bra that is in contrast to or matches the color of the leotard as long as it is identical in color for all team members.
B. Leotard straps must be minimum of 2 cm (¼”) in width.
C. The meet referee will instruct a gymnast who does not meet the uniform policies that she is “out of uniform.” The gymnast must comply with the uniform rules or a .30 team deduction will be taken during team competition or a .30 deduction off the individual’s score during individual competition.

JEWELRY
Gymnasts are only permitted to wear one stud per ear. No other jewelry is permitted. After a warning, a .20 deduction will be taken from the gymnast’s score for each occurrence.

LANDINGS
Landing deductions are taken for lack of control and/or movement occurring prior to presenting to the judges (i.e., celebrating on the mat prior to presenting to the judges will result in a deduction).

VERBAL CUES: Technical Verbal cues by coach to own gymnast = 0.2 deduction after warning given
VAULTING

For all NCAA competition, the JO Bonus Rule WILL NOT BE IN EFFECT for select 10.0 Start Value vaults. Each team will be allotted a four-minute touch warmup.

Vault numbers will be flashed (see Appendix I, Vault Value Chart)

The gymnast will perform one vault, the score of which will count. A gymnast is allowed three attempts to complete one vault.

- If a gymnast touches the board and/or vault apparatus or inverts on the approach or vault table without going over the vault apparatus, then this counts as one of her three attempts. It is not considered a vault.
- If a gymnast inverts on the approach and/or the table and goes over the vault apparatus, then this would be considered an executed vault and must be scored.

1.00 deduction for touching the vault table with only one or with no hands taken by each judge

1.00 deduction for failure to land on the soles of feet first (includes fall) taken by each judge.

1.00 deduction for spotting assistance during the vault taken by each judge.

*The 1.00 deduction is taken by each judge. If not in range, then a conference is called.

If a gymnast vaults prior to the judges hand or flag signal, the gymnast must repeat the vault for score and would receive a 0.50 deduction.

VIDEO REVIEW PROCESS

The following video review process will be used for the regular season, conference championships and NCAA regional competitions.

In the event that an inquiry response is unsatisfactory to the coach, a video may be used for the purpose of review under the following conditions:

A. Each team is allowed one review per meet.
B. An institutional team video or television production footage must be used for the review. The video may be taken from any vantage point.
C. A review that fails results in a 0.10 deduction from the team score.
D. All reviews must be specific to the performance or nonperformance of a particular VALUE PART, combination of skills or neutral deductions (i.e., out of bounds).
E. Reviews may be used to evaluate a question of execution, composition or up to the level DEDUCTIONS. These requests will result in a 0.10 deduction.
F. Reviews may be viewed in slow motion.

* The review must be submitted to the meet director or host institution designee within five (5) minutes following the conclusion of the meet (as determined by the final score posted OR the return of the final inquiry, whichever is later).

The scores are being verified by the judging panel and the head scorer’s table.

H. The coach requesting the review must provide a signed Video Review Form (VRF) (Appendix II), cued video and team camera to the meet director (or host institution designee). The meet director (or host institution designee) will be responsible for delivering this information to the meet referee and the event panel (the judges who judged the particular event) for their review on the competition floor. The coaches may not be present during the review.

I. Reviews must be conducted in the presence of the meet referee and the event panel ONLY. If the meet referee is on the panel, the next highest rated official must participate. A simple majority of the review panel will determine success or failure of the review. If the review fails, judges may not change their scores, the 0.10 will be deducted from the TEAM score. If the review is successful, the INDIVIDUALS score will be adjusted accordingly and TEAM score if it is a counting score.

J. The results of the review will be noted on the VRF by the meet referee and returned to the meet director (or host institution designee) who will take the VRF to the score table. The official score will be adjusted (up or down). Then the judges will sign the official score sheet and the meet director will deliver the VRF to the coach.

K. Decisions rendered by the judges’ review panel are final and cannot be overturned.

MISC

The NCAA Modifications document lists the NCAA Special Requirements and Compositional Deductions in total, rather than in addition to the Junior Olympic (JO) Women’s Code of Points Requirements (Level 10). No other Special Requirements or Compositional Deductions are applicable to collegiate competition unless listed in this document. In all other cases the deductions/values modify, supplement or replace the specific JO level 10 rules. Please note that the NCAA rules modifications are in effect for both regular and post season competition unless otherwise noted.