

Balks: Vault

3 attempts allowed to successfully 1 or both vaults

runs-balks; runs-balks = 1st vault void
runs-vaults= 1 score for vault

runs-vaults = 1st vault scored
runs-balks; runs- vaults = 2nd vault scored

runs-touches board = void 1st vault
runs-balks; runs-balks = void 2nd vault

Vault

Vault voids

no hand contact; 1 hand contact = 1.00
not landing on feet first
lands standing, sitting, lying on top of horse

Vaults without signal

Gymnast repeats; deduct .50 from next vault
No signal vault; V1 - .5; V2 score may be higher

V1 score; no signal vault; V2 - .50
In this case, gymnast doesn't have to do V2

Spotting Vault

All judges take .50 if spot on landing

Spot during vault results in void

All judges take .50 if coach between board & horse
except for Round off entry vaults

Vault Mat Slips

Yurchenko hand placement mat and safety zone mat are NOT part of the vault apparatus. If one of these mats slips on the runway, it is NOT considered apparatus or personal equipment failure. If the gymnast runs over or touches the hand placement mat (or the safety zone mat) with or without executing a vault, this is one of the 3 vault approaches. Do NOT void the vault.

Vault Safety Zone Mats

For RO vaults, safety zone mat must fit snugly around the board so there is no space between the board & safety zone mat.

If the safety zone is used for forward vaults, the safety zone mat may be present but is not required to fit snugly around the board

Bars: Dismounts from Feet

Dismounts from the feet are not allowed and will not receive Value Part credit.

Balks: Bars and Beam

2 attempts to mount without penalty

runs-balks; runs-mounts: no deduction

runs-balks; runs balks; runs performs D award D; each judge deducts .5 for 3rd approach

runs-balks; runs-balks; runs-balks each judge deducts .50 for 3rd approach

If gymnast attempts RO and stops, she may repeat and get VP credit for mount; deduct for first "fall" .50

Bar and Beam Dismounts

No attempt to dismount: -.50 for SR and -.30 for no dismt
-.30 for no dismount taken from SV

Attempts dismount, salto not initiated, falls:
-.50 for SR; -.30 for no dismt; -.50 for fall

Initiates salto dismount and doesn't land feet first:
-.50 for SR; -.50 for fall

Bars: intentional early termination:
-.50 for No SR; -.30 for no dismt; do not take fall

Incomplete Exercise (Level 7 - 10)

Deduct 2.00 from final average if:

Bar exercise contains less than 5 Value Parts

Beam/Floor routine is less than 30 seconds

Equipment Failure/Repetition of Exercise

Gymnast Options:

- 1 Stop and ask CJ to repeat from beginning or from point of interruption; may rest first
- 2 Finish routine; decide to repeat in part or whole or accept score before score flashed; if it's a music failure, don't deduct for no music

CJ makes decision in consultation with Meet Referee
Questionable situations can go to Jury of Appeal

Judge Misses Routine

2 judge panel

Advise coach of score from 1 judge
Gymnast may accept that score or repeat
If repeats, then second score counts

4 judge panel

enter a score for the missing judge that is equal to the highest score given by the other 3 judges

In both cases, CJ consult with Meet Referee who informs coach of gymnast options

Inquiry For Qualifying Score

If after the last event, gymnast's AA score is .10 or less from qualifying:

Coach may inquire the lowest scoring event
Score change is official and affects placement

This process does not apply for mobility purposes or if qualification to state/regional is by percentage or by designated number per age group.

Jury of Appeal

Meet Referee or Technical Director: President of the Jury
Meet Director (non-voting if his athlete)
Chief Judge of all four events (or of event involved)
USAG personal (State/Regional chair or JO Comm Chair)

Duties

Governs all technical and organization matters
Makes final decision regarding unusual situation
If deduction taken from AA by Meet Ref is challenged, then Jury of Appeal convenes to make final decision

Floor: Kick-over Front Salto

Kickover front salto is not a salto. If performed at end of exercise, it does not affect the awarding of the Dismount SR.

Coach on Mat

Level 7 and above:

Coach on floor (inside border marking) with no assist:
1.00 off average (CJ)

Coach on mat and assists:

Each judge deduct .50; NO VP, SR, or AV
If falls after spot, take an additional .50
CJ takes 1.00 from average

Coach on mat & spots **after** landing or **inadvertent** touch:

Each judge deduct .50 for spot
Even if she falls, only deduct .50 one time
Award VP and SR but not AV
CJ takes 1.00 from average

No penalty if goes on floor to remove unsafe object.

Compulsory: No deduction for coach on mat

Spotting Bars and Beam

Coach assists during element:

All judges take .50; No VP, No SR, No AV
If falls after spot, take additional .50
If spot occurs on dismt, don't deduct .30 from SV

Spots after landing dismount:

All judges take .50; Award VP and SR
If then falls, deduct .50; don't deduct for spot & fall

Coach inadvertently touches gymnast: .50 spot
Award VP, SR, but not AV

Coach catches falling gymnast:
No spot deduction
Deduct only .50 for fall

Gymnast inadvertently touches coach: no deduction

Unallowable Element: Level 7

Deduct 2.00 from Start Value

Revised Bar/Beam Dismount Below

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-.30 for no dismount taken from SV

Attempts dismount, salto not initiated, falls:
-.50 for SR; -.50 for fall; -.30 for no dismt off SV

Initiates salto dismount and doesn't land feet first:
-.50 for SR; -.50 for fall

Bars: intentional early termination:
-.50 for G126; -.30 for no dismt; do not take fall

Beam: Extra Warm Up

Performs element on mat after fall prior to remount:
Deduct -.20 for additional warm-up; no warning required
