

2011 Region II Championships
Stadium High School, Tacoma, WA – April 9-10, 2011

2011 Region II Meet Referee Report
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1. Meet Organization:

- The Region II Championships was conducted in six sessions
 - Session 1: Level 6's
 - Session 2: Level 7's
 - Session 3: Level 8 – 9's
 - Session 4: Level 10's
 - Session 5 & 6: Level 5's

2. Coaches Information:

- Information about the Inquiry process and other judging related items were presented during the General Coaches Meeting on Friday April 8th.
- The meet referee provided a quick summary of the inquiry process prior to each session during the coaches meeting.

3. Judging Panels and process:

- All sessions were conducted using a two judge panel
- Judging panels were selected from national and FIG card holders from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Alaska. Four of the six events had judges with an FIG rating.
 - An independent Meet Referee was present for all six sessions
 - The majority of the judges adjudicated their event during their State Championships
 - Start scores were posted for all sessions
 - Inquiry forms were provided and utilized in all sessions

4. Inquiries

Session	Total Inquiries	Inquiries Resolved by Meet Referee	Total Scores Modified After Inquiry
1: Level 6's	5	2	1
2: Level 7's	3	2	1
3: Level 8 – 9's	12	1	5
4: Level 10's	8	2	3
5: Level 5's	4	2	3
6: Level 5's	3	1	1
Summary	35	10	14

- Realized that the existing Inquiry form was pretty much useless during compulsory sessions. Based on initial feedback from coaches and Dusty Ritter I created a simple Inquiry sheet for Compulsories that better reflect the questions actually asked by the coaches. An electronic copy is attached / available if anyone is interested.
- Inquiries were extended to include a 'score check'. We had some issues with keypads not placing a decimal '.' before a number. This made scores way out of range. It would be nice if

the ProScore software helped identify scores that were out of range – if only at the scorer's table.

5. Routine analysis

- Write ups of routines for all national qualifiers will be provided to the Regional Director.
- It seems to me that at 8 & 9, with the ability to do JO A's for value and manipulation of the rules to get a C value dismount with a fixed deduction, the majority of gymnasts at this level are not doing circling skills that they will need at the next level.
- JO exceptions, like the Peach Turnover to L on P-Bars and the Jam-to-El Hop on High Bar are being used to good advantage. As a whole these exceptions have improved the scores and overall performance of important skills in our region.

6. Issues / observations / other items of interest:

- During the compulsory session we had gymnasts leave out Press Handstands on Floor and Circles on the Pommel Horse. The judges showed a start value of 13.5 letting the coach know that the gymnast was missing an entire part of the routine. Chapter 3, Section A shows the Deduction for a Missing Part to be 1.5 (0.5 Element Value plus 1.0 'B' panel Execution for a total deduction of 1.5). We are interpreting the information within the parenthesis as the reason it is 1.5, not how it should be applied.
- We still had two gymnasts that did five (5) strength parts in a row. Question: can the strength moves be broken up with multiple 'A' tricks – like dislocate / felge?