



## DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

### *Meet Reservation and Apparel Information*

Dear Parents, Coaches, and Club Administrators:

I hope you are getting excited about the upcoming 2026 Men's Regional Championships! Here, your athletes will qualify to Development Program National Championships or Eastern / Western National Championships. In this communication, I want to give you some important information as you go into Regional Championships and beyond.

#### **Championship Websites**

Please visit the respective event website to find the most up to date information available, including housing link, schedule, etc.:

[Eastern National Championships](#)

Palm Beach, FL

[Western National Championships](#)

Galveston, TX

[Dev Program National Championships](#)

Oklahoma City, OK

#### **Championship Events Directives**

You may reference the [2026 Development Championships Directives V2 here](#), including petition procedures.

#### **Entry Information & Deadline for Development Program/Eastern/Western Nationals**

- The deadline for athletes to commit to attending their respective event is the **LAST DAY OF** Regional Championships. However, the club has until the end of day on **Monday March 30, to enter athletes into the Meet Reservation system**. If you have an athlete who turns 20 in 2026, and who qualifies to DPN, please reach out to me at [lmendel@usagym.org](mailto:lmendel@usagym.org) on that Monday so that I can assist with meet the reservation.
- **BEFORE A SESSION STARTS**, coaches need to let the Regional Chairperson know which athletes will **not** be moving on to the next respective Championship event (E/W/DPN). In doing this, the regional chairperson will know if he will be able to go down to the next athlete in the qualification process.

**If a coach notifies the regional chairman that his athlete will NOT be taking his spot at the respective event, his athlete forfeit's his position and he cannot be registered on Monday as that athlete's spot will have already been given to the next eligible athlete.**

- **Entry Fees** - Each club will be required to enter their qualified athletes into the respective event through Meet Reservations. The entry fee is \$200/gymnast to enter Development Program National Championships and \$185/gymnast to enter Eastern or Western National Championships, including petitioned athletes. -- *refunds will be issued to all petitions not approved or do not receive medical clearance. No refunds are given to qualified athletes who scratch following the registration deadline.*
- **Coaches Credentials for Development Program National Championships** - Only one (1) coach per gymnast, with a maximum of two (2) coaches per club are permitted to be registered for Development Program National Championships. If you believe you need an additional coach, do not register the additional coach for the event. Complete an Additional Coaches Credential Form (included with this document) and email it to [lmendel@usagym.org](mailto:lmendel@usagym.org). If approved, USAG will notify you, and you can pay for the credential through MY CART in the responsible party's membership. **DO NOT REGISTER MORE THAN THE ALLOTTED NUMBER OF COACHES.** Also, please note that WAG credentialed coaches will not be permitted on the MAG field of play or training gym; however, they may come over to watch the event at no charge if they have their credential. This policy does not apply to Eastern or Western National Championships.
- **Petition Registration** - If your regional chairman approves the submission of a petition, he will provide you with a Google form link to enter the petition. In addition, you must enter the petitioned athlete into the meet reservation along with your qualified athletes. If your athlete's petition is denied or a medical clearance is not submitted, you will receive a refund following the event petitioned to. The petition process is outlined in the Development Program Championship Season Directives – link provided on page 1 of this document.

### **Schedule**

The general schedule is posted on each of the Championship websites. A detailed schedule will be posted once we have the number of qualified athletes entered into their respective level. Note that no JN athletes are permitted to train on Tuesday evening at Development Program National Championships. [Click here](#) to review the general schedule for Dev. Program National Championships.

## **Apparel & Sizing**

GK Elite Sportswear will be supplying the following to athletes attending the Championship meets. I need for parents to complete the sizing form **BEFORE** going to Regional Championships.

Eastern/Western Natl Championships	Development Program Natl Championships
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Warm-up Jacket</li><li>• Warm-up Pants</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Warm-up jacket</li><li>• Warm-up pant</li><li>• Competition top in respective region's color</li><li>• Competition pants in steel grey</li><li>• Competition shorts in steel grey</li><li>• Competition socks in steel grey</li></ul>

[USA Gymnastics Men's Program Apparel Sizing Form – Fill out form](#)

## **NCAA Release of Information**

If your son is in grade 9-12 and you would like his information to be included in my report that is provided to NCAA and GymAct coaches for recruiting purposes, please complete the NCAA Release of Information e-form:

[MAG 2026 NCAA Release of Information – Fill out form](#)

## **U110 – SafeSport for 18 and older athletes**

If you have athletes that have turned 18 years of age or will turn 18 just before or during any of these events, they are required to complete the online SafeSport course. They will not show up on the roster if it has not been completed so be sure to reach out to those athletes before going to Regional Championships.

Parents – [click here](#) for information on how your son can complete the course.

In case you need Member Services, they can be reached at [membership@usagym.org](mailto:membership@usagym.org) or at 800-345-4719. You can email me as well at [lmendel@usagym.org](mailto:lmendel@usagym.org).

I wish your athletes the best of luck at Regional Championships!

Best wishes,



Lisa Mendel  
Men's Program Manager



**MEN'S PROGRAM**  
**ADDITIONAL COACHES CREDENTIAL REQUEST**  
**FOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ONLY**

Programs are allowed one coach per athlete and a maximum of two coaches per program. Upon approval, an additional coach's credential may be purchased for \$100. Payment is due with this request, and the submission is not an automatic approval. This form is not applicable to U.S. Championships. WAG credentialed coaches are not permitted on the Field of Play, Warm-up Gym, or Training Gym with MAG athletes.

Send to USA Gymnastics: email to [lmendel@usagym.org](mailto:lmendel@usagym.org),

**Name of Applicable Event:** 2026 Development Program National Championships

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Program Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Coach Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Competing Athlete(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Person paying for credential: \_\_\_\_\_ USAG # \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL COACH REQUESTING CREDENTIAL:**

**If more than one coach, list request in order of priority.**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ USAG # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ USAG # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list the reason for needing an additional coach on the floor.**

If a request is approved, you will be notified, and the credential fee will be placed into the person responsible for payment's USAG cart for payment completion. Once payment is made, USAG will register the additional coach.