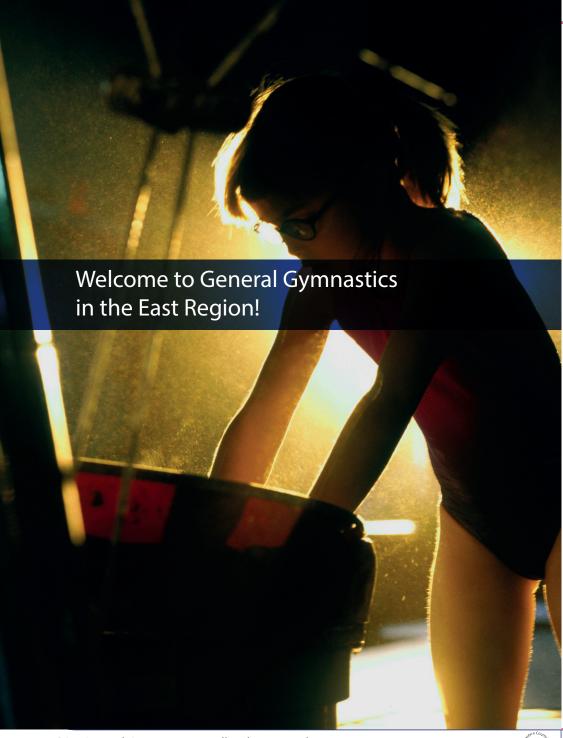
Eastern Counties Gymnastics Association

General Gymnastics Competition Handbook

2022





This handbook will give you all the information you will need in order to enter General Gymnastics competitions in the East Region – please read through carefully. In particular, please with regards to the change of the eligibility ruling, number of hours at Level 1, introduction of over 18's for level 3 upwards and the introduction of level 6 for the 2020 season.

The aim of General Gymnastics in the East Region is to provide positive and friendly competitive opportunities for gymnasts in the East Region. In order to do this, it's important to us to provide a level playing field as best we can. We do this by setting the technical rules you'll find in this handbook, but equally important is your input and involvement as coaches and club leaders. It's important that gymnasts are prepared and entered at a level appropriate to their abilities and that at the events, clubs, coaches and committee members work together to create a positive, fun experience for our gymnasts.

It is never an exact science to define what makes a 'General' gymnast. The only way we can technically define this is through training hours - the rules state that our events are aimed at gymnasts training less than 2 hours per week for level 1, 4 hours per week at our levels 2-3, or less than 6 hours per week at our levels 4-6. These hours include gymnastics training across all disciplines, so if a gymnast trains in 'general' for 6 hours and also in 'acro' for 2 hours, they are training 8 hours in total and therefore not eligible.

Four hours training in one environment can create a totally different gymnast to four hours in a different environment. The natural talent and ability of the gymnast needs to also be considered. This is where your judgment comes in. Please help us provide the best 'level playing field' as possible by carefully considering what skills and levels to enter your gymnasts in. Please ensure your gymnasts are able to perform their skills well, but are also suitably challenged.

We rely on your judgment and honesty when entering gymnasts in our events. Please help us to create what our gymnasts need – positive, fun, friendly and fair competitive experiences.

We look forward to welcoming you to our events soon.

Bradley Thompson – Chair 2022

Chair of the East Region General Gymnastics Technical Committee



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Competition Schedule 2022

Event	Venue	Date	Closing Date
Levels 1 - 6 Floor & Vault Club Teams **	Pipers Vales, Ipswich	20/03/2022	27/02/2022
Level 1 & 2 Regional Individual Apparatus Final *	Pipers Vales, Ipswich	22/05/2022	01/05/2022
Level 3 Regional Individual Apparatus Final *	Pipers Vales, Ipswich	26/06/2022	05/06/2022
Levels 4, 5 & 6 Regional Individual Apparatus Final *	Pipers Vales, Ipswich	17/07/2022	26/06/2022
Tumbling and Trampette & Acro/ Pairs **	Pipers Vales, Ipswich	13/11/2022	23/10/2022

^{*} These competitions are entry via a county qualifier to the region

^{**} These competitions are direct entry via the clubs to the region

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. British Gymnastics (BG) regulations will apply at all GGTC Regional Competitions unless stated otherwise.
- 2. The safety of all participants (gymnasts, coaches and officials) is the primary consideration. All BG policies and procedures will be rigorously applied with regards to health and safety, welfare and child protection
- 3. It is the club's responsibility to advise parents and spectators of expected behaviour at general events. They are not allowed to enter the competition arena.
- 4. All competitions in the ECGA General Gymnastics Programme are intended for general gymnasts. A gymnast is deemed to be a general gymnast if he / she trains: Level 1 2hrs Max | Levels 2-3 4hrs Max | Levels 4-6 6hrs Max. Gymnast must have been training for the relevant weekly time period for a minimum of 12 months, regardless of previous level and discipline.

INFORMATION RELATING TO COACHES

- a) Welfare: Coaches are reminded of their responsibility in relation to the safety of their gymnasts in the competition environment. This will specifically include ensuring the gymnasts are adequately prepared (physically and psychologically) for performing their routines. There will be a named Welfare Officer present at each Regional Final.
- b) Qualification Guide: British Gymnastics require that the coach at competitions must be Level 2 or higher and it is the responsibility of the Club entering the gymnasts to ensure the coach(es) responsible have undergone appropriate training and are qualified and competent for the skills being performed by their gymnasts. Level 1 coaches may assist Level 2 or above coaches. A General Gymnastics Level 2 or above can accompany gymnasts in all General events.
- c) Code of Conduct: Coaches must abide by the FIG Code of Conduct as defined by the Code of Points in related disciplines, and any regional "Code of Conduct" adopted by the region.

- d) **Electronic Devices:** Apart from the running of the competition gymnasts, coaches, judges and officials must not use mobile phones, tablets and any other electronic devices on the competition floor during an event, unless previously agreed and authorised by the GGTC committee.
 - e) **Hair / Jewellery:** Coaches must ensure that their long hair is either braided / tied back so as not to obscure their vision. Coaches will not be allowed on the competition floor if wearing any jewellery.
 - f) Code of Dress: All participants at an event are required to adhere to the BG Code of Dress as defined by the FIG sport specific code. Coaches must wear a tracksuit or collared polo shirt or club T-shirt and tracksuit bottoms and suitable footwear. Judges must wear the uniform as prescribed by the FIG, i.e. dark blue suit skirt or trousers (black is acceptable men may wear grey trousers) & white blouse or shirt. Failure to adhere to any of the regulations regarding coaches and judges may result in expulsion from the competition arena.

2. INFORMATION RELATING TO GYMNASTS

- a) Age: A gymnast's age is determined as the age reached during the period 1st January to 31st December 2022.
- b) The minimum age of a gymnast to enter a regional general event is eight

 (8) years old in the year of competition. The rules and entry form for each competition will state the age groups applicable.
- c) Membership: All gymnasts must hold current British Gymnastics Bronze membership or above for all regional general competitions. All participants in regional competitions must belong to an ECGA affiliated club at the time of entry.
- d) Hair / Jewellery: Gymnasts must ensure long hair is either braided / tied back so as not to obscure their vision. All relevant BG policies regarding the wearing of jewellery will apply.
- e) Code of Dress: Gymnast attire must comply with the British gymnastics 'Competition Attire At Events For Gymnasts' policy (attached) and Clothing must be the same colour or design of the leotard, or plain black, and be free of adornments, diamanté, sponsorship and personal names etc.



3. INFORMATION RELATING TO COMPETITION / EVENTS

- a) Eligibility: All competitions in the ECGA General Gymnastics Programme are intended to only train limited times per week, combined across all gymnastic disciplines:
 - Level 1 2hrs Max | Levels 2-3 4hrs Max | Levels 4-6 6hrs Max Gymnast must have been training for the relevant weekly time period for a minimum of 12 months, regardless of previous level across all disciplines. Dispensation from the GGTC for gymnasts who are not eligible for this ruling can be granted prior to the event.
 - The competition organiser reserves the right to exclude a gymnast from an event if they rule the gymnast is deemed to be ineligible, prior to and during an event. The coach will be notified, and the gymnast will be allowed to compete and receive a score but will not medal or qualify for any qualifying place. It is the coaches responsibility to ensure gymnasts train the correct hours and are entered into the correct level for their ability.
- b) **Sensitivity:** Sensitivity will be shown towards any gymnast who, due to proven needs, wishes to compete at a lower level than determined either in the general rules or in the competition specific eligibility rules.
- c) **Disability**: Where a gymnast with Downs Syndrome wishes to enter a competition, the mandatory clearance for the condition known as Atlanto-Axial Instability required by BG will apply. A copy of the completed clearance form must be attached to the entry form. Failure to do so will result in the competitor (and partner where appropriate) being refused entry to the competition arena and warm up areas on the day of the competition.
- d) **Competition Entry**: All gymnasts must at the time of entry have current BG membership of minimum bronze level and be a member of a club affiliated to ECGA.
 - Competition entry forms can be downloaded from the regional web site, and must be completed and e-mailed to the competition organiser, in "Word or Excel" format only.
 - The entry will not be accepted until the correct entry fee is received. Entry fee must be by club cheque or Bank transfer to: Name: ECGA, sort code: 53 81 16, account number: 82038678, reference number: as shown on the entry form.

The competition programme will be e-mailed to the named club contact at least two weeks before the competition.

- e) Event programme: In order to maintain a regular competition, the GGTC reserves the right to change the working order and / or time of commencement of the competition round. The GGTC reserves the right to combine age groups and / or levels dependent upon the number of gymnasts entered, and this will be advised on the programme for the day in advance. All gymnasts must register by the advised time and remain in the venue.
- f) Technical Meeting: A technical meeting will take place at each round of a regional event and all coaches accompanying gymnasts will be required to attend.

q) Floor Music:

- All floor music should be submitted at least one week before the competition, via e-mail as an attachment to **the email address indicated on the event entry form.** The music tracks should be labelled in the following way: Comp number Name Level Club Please bring a backup copy of all music on the day either on CD or on a data stick just in case of any technical problems. We do not require you to hand this in, just have it available with you. Please note Disney, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Cirque de Soleil music can't be used.
- h) Photography: In the interests of child protection, photographs and videos may only be taken during regional events in accordance with conditions set by BG. Photos may only be taken for personal use. Unless specifically accredited to do so, you may not take photos for sale, other commercial use or for publication in printed or electronic form, such as on websites. Some photos may be published by Clubs, but this may only be done in accordance with the BG Child Protection Policy. The full policy can be found at www.british-gymnastics.org. Photographs will be taken for promotional purposes and may appear on GGTC social media and website. If any gymnast does not consent to this, please indicate on the entry form.
- i) Protest: In the unlikely event of a protest, it must be put in writing detailing the reason for protest and given to the Competition Organiser (with £10.00 fee) within 15 minutes of the coach receiving the score slip. A coach may protest D score only. The GGTC cannot accept any photographic or video analysis at an event.



j) Judges: All judges provided must be a BG current cycle qualified judge in men's or women's artistic, floor and vault qualified, or have attended a General Gymnastics judging workshop on the current cycle. Please make sure that the judge you nominate has agreed to do so. Only judges stated on the entry form in advance will be allowed onto the competition floor.

Nomination of judges: Regional Final event – apparatus levels: Each county is required to provide a minimum of three (3) judges for each session of each regional finals event entered. This does not need to be the same person every session but there needs to be a minimum of three (3) judges per county present at each session. If insufficient judges are supplied by a county, a penalty of £25 per judge per session will be invoiced to the county. If a judge

cannot attend at any point they may be replaced by another judge, which could be from any club or county who is suitably qualified. If no judge is supplied the £25 penalty will apply.

Nomination of judges: Direct to regional events, club teams and tumble and trampette: A minimum of one judge per club is to be provided. If a club is unable to provide a judge for the competition; double entry fee will be applied. **Judges reward system:**

To encourage and reward judging at our events, we will award a pin (or similar item) to judges who over the course of 2020 complete full, all day regional GG events as judges as follows:

2 events - bronze judge's award

3 events – silver judge's award

4+ events - gold judge's award

- k) Late Entries: Late entries will not be accepted.
- Spectator Entry: Entry to spectators to General Gymnastics events will be by programme purchase.
- Changes: Amendment to rules and regulations made after the publication of the Regional General Handbook will be available for download from the regional website. www.british-gymnastics.org/east
- n) **Level:** Gymnasts may only compete at one level in the competition year in an individual apparatus competition. (Example: Gymnasts can not compete level 2 and then level 3 in the same competition year.) This does not apply to Tumbling and Trampette and the teams competitions.

- Late arrival on competition days: Please be on time for events. If a gymnast arrives late but by the end of general warm-up they may compete. If they arrive after the end of general warm up but before the start of the first rotation, the competition manager may use their discretion if it's appropriate for the gymnast to compete or not. If a gymnast arrives after the first rotation has started they will not be permitted to compete. In all these occurrences, clubs must ensure any late gymnasts complete a sufficient warm-up.
- Chairman's Medal: Additional special awards for those going above and beyond to demonstrate the spirit of general gymnastics may be awarded by the chairman (or agreed deputy) at each event. These can be nominated by clubs, coaches, judges or officials. The aim is to reward the spirit of general gymnastics. To nominate, please write the nominee's name, the nominators name and the reason for nomination and pass to the chairman or competition manager during the event.
- Lone Competitor: Where a gymnast is a lone competitor in any competition, their final score is calculated as a percentage of the start value for medal allocation purposes. The following percentages apply;

Gold 85% to 100% Silver = 84% to 75% Bronz

Bronze = 74% to 65%

Any score under 65% of the Start Value will ONLY receive a participation certificate.

See scoring requirements at the end of this document.

r) Element Clarification: All elements and skills' names in our handbook are defined within the relevant artistic code of points. These will be applied by the judges and be used to clarify the skill. It is the club's responsibility to ensure the code of points is used to correctly to define the skills.

Eastern Counties Gymnastics Association | **Disability Gymnastics**

Gymnastics for children with disabilities are to be included in the General Gymnastics competition programme. They will perform in a separate section in the competition – Disability Gymnastics – and not compete against those without disabilities.

In order to allow the judges to make allowances for the gymnasts' disabilities, coaches will need to enter the disability on the entry form according to the list below which will additionally detail the degree of the disability. The profile of each gymnast should be determined by the coach in consultation with the gymnast and his or her parents. Once a gymnast has competed within a particular disability profile, that profile may not be changed for a subsequent competition without applying to the GGTC stating the reason why a different profile is now applicable. Coaches are asked to be fair with their assessment. Failure to do so may result in a formal statement from a doctor or health professional for future entries.

Where a disabilities gymnast with Downs Syndrome wishes to enter a competition, the mandatory clearance for the condition known as Atlanto-Axial Instability required by BG will apply. Details are on the BG website. A copy of the completed clearance form must be attached to the entry form. Failure to do so will result in the competitor (and partner where appropriate) being refused entry to the competition arena and warm up areas on the day of the competition.

Initially, the competitions will be gender specific but open age group although, depending on the size of the entry, the organiser may introduce age banding. This will introduce a measure of competition for the gymnasts rather than a host of "sole competitor" winners.

Coaches accompanying the gymnasts will need to speak to the judges prior to their competing to explain the help / special equipment they will need to enable them to compete.

Disability Profiles

For clarification and the guidance of coaches, the definition of the term; disability, is that made by the World Health Organisation in 1980; "A disability is any restriction or lack (resulting from impairment*) of ability to perform an activity in the manner or within the range considered normal for a human being"

*"An impairment is any loss or abnormality of psychological, physiological, or anatomical structure or function"

For the purpose of this rule book, disability profiles are defined as follows:

- 1. Intellectual, language and other psychological disabilities (including hyperactivity, attention deficit disorder and dyslexia)
- 2. Hearing disabilities (including deafness and inner ear balance disorders)
- 3. Sight disabilities (including blindness, partial sightedness and tunnel vision)
- 4. Reduced or impaired internal organ function with no other physical manifestation (including coeliac disease, cystic fibrosis, asthma and some types of epilepsy)
- 5. Muscular and Skeletal, resulting in reduced limb or trunk function (including growth disorders, club foot, limb palsy and paralysis).

Each profile is further divided into Slight (A), Moderate (B) or Severe (C). Thus a gymnast with the profile

3A may be highly functioning but partially sighted and a gymnast with the profile 5C may be confined to a wheelchair and require special arrangements to compete.

Where a gymnast presents with a number of disabilities, the profile selected should reflect the disability which most affects their performance. For example, a Downs Syndrome gymnast may be profiled as 1 or 5 (A, B or C) depending on the severity of the effects on the gymnast.

Details of any special equipment or arrangements required by gymnasts with a disability should be provided to the competition organiser with the entry form. The competition organiser will try to incorporate these arrangements into the competition in a way which is sensitive to the needs of all gymnasts taking part in the competition. Any 'special equipment' should be provided by the club / coach / gymnast.

Gymnasts with disabilities should progress through the General Gymnastic competitions in the same way as gymnasts without disabilities. Should Special Olympics Rule competitions be introduced in the future, gymnasts cannot compete in both competitions if they are held on the same day



Level 1 - Individual Apparatus Competition for Female & Male gymnasts who must be entered via qualification at county events.

The top three highest placed gymnasts on each piece, at each level and age group will qualify through to the regional final. In the event of a third-place tie, all gymnasts in third place will qualify to the regional final. The 4th qualifying gymnast can be used as a traveling reserve, the gymnasts must be named on the entry form and already traveling due to qualifying on another piece. Do not list a gymnast that has not qualified on another piece, gymnasts should not travel unless they are in the top 3 on a piece of apparatus. This gymnast must be the next highest scorer on that piece from the counties traveling Gymnasts. This gymnast can be used as the replacement up until the end of full body warm up. i.e. If the 3rd placed gymnast on vault does not attend the event the reserve can be used as long as they have qualified on another piece.

Designed for gymnasts who have not previously competed and / or are competent to enter at this level.

There are four pieces of apparatus - gymnasts may choose to compete on one or more pieces.

Age groups							
Level 1	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–16		
Hours trained				Up	to 2 Ho	urs	

Vault	Vault				
Compositional F	Requirements (CR)	DV			
Any two vaults may	be performed the best score to count.				
Permitted Vault	From run and jump from spring board, stretch jump to land	1.20			
Height	Landing mat to a height of 30cm				

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Floor							
SV 3.	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ Artistry bonus 0.5 for M/F		onus	6 elements compiled from the CR's below, performed in any order from the elements table below. Girls with music (Penalty of 1.0 mark without music) 70 seconds maximum				
	1.	An acrob	patic element without flight - V:0.5				
	2.	A balanc	ce or strength element - V:0.5				
CR	3.	A leap o	r jump - V:0.5				
	4.	Half turr	n spin on one foot or half turn jump - V:0.5				
	5.	Two add	litional elements - V:0.5 each				
S	Acrobatic		Cartwheel, teddy roll 180°, kick towards handstand, forward or backward roll to stand or straddle stand				
Permitted Elements	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V sit with hand support, 1 leg stand free leg in attitude, frog balance, bridge, splits, shoulder stand with or with out hand support				
	Leap /Jump		Straight jump, tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap, ½ turn jump, ½ turn spin				
Strength		igth	Half pike lever with one leg (held 2 seconds), front support and lower to floor with control				
Barr	ed Ele	ments	Any element not on the permitted list.				





Apparatus Championships | Level 1 Rules

Asyr	Asymmetric Bars / Horizontal Bar						
SV 2	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
			4 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
Fixed routine to the 5 elements below							
ents		Standing with the bar at shoulder height or above, jump to front support (1 or 2 spring boards or a block may be used)					
eme	2. H	lold fro	ont support position for 2 sec (pelvis touching bar)				
ted El		ast tov Ilowan	owards horizontal return to bar with slight body alignment ance.				
Permitted Elements	4. Forward circle dismount to hang under the bar with straight or bent arms and lower with straight legs with control to the floor or hang						
Barı	Barred Elements		Any element not on the permitted list.				
Equipment		ent	Male & Female single bar only at height to be set no lower than shoulder height of gymnast(Lower than shoulder height will receive a penalty). (1 or 2 spring boards may be used) (wood or metal bar may be used)				

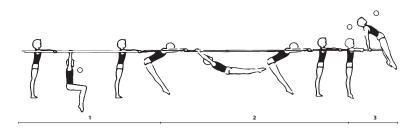
Beam (Bench)				
SV 2	.50 /3.00	Compositional Requirements (CR)		
	istry bonus	5 elements, each element 0.5.		
0.5		Minimum one length of the bench, 70 seconds maximum.		
	if performed oor beam			
	1. Mount -	· V:0.5		
	2. A balan	ce element - V:0.5		
CR	3. Half turi	n on two feet -V:0.5		
	4. A leap c	or jump - V:0.5		
	5. Straight	jump dismount from the end or the side - V:0.5		
ıts	Mount	Squat on, straddle on		
Permitted Elements	Balance	Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V-sit with hand support, 1 leg stand with free leg in attitude		
d E	Leap/Jump	Straight jump, tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap		
itte	Turns	Stretched or crouched		
Dismount		Straight jump		
Bari	red Elements	Any other element not on the permitted list.		
Eq	luipment	Two wooden gymnastic benches joined end to end (Girls or boys) or a floor beam (Bonus 0.5). If competing Parallel Bars may not compete Beam		

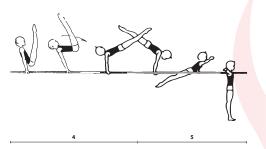
Apparatus Championships | Level 1 Rules

Para	Parallel Bars						
SV 2	.50		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
			5 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
Fixed routine to the 5 elements below							
ıts	1. Grasp bar, tuck hang, thighs to 90°, hold 3 secs, lower to floor or block.						
nen	2. Flo	2. Float swing must be extended, return to floor or block					
Eler	3. Jump to upper arm support, hold for 3 secs						
ed I	4. Lif	4. Lift legs to straddle support, hold for 3 secs					
nitt	5. Flick legs to swing backwards to drop off to floor						
Permitted Elements							
Equipment		nt	Boys or Girls. Height to be set at the shoulder height of gymnast (or higher). Shoulders above the bars will receive a penalty.				
			If competing bench may not compete Parallel Bars				

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

ECGA General Gymnastics Parallel Bars | Level 1





The top three highest placed gymnasts on each piece, at each level and age group will qualify through to the regional final. In the event of a third-place tie, all gymnasts in third place will qualify to the regional final. The 4th qualifying gymnast can be used as a traveling reserve, the gymnasts must be named on the entry form and already traveling due to qualifying on another piece. Do not list a gymnast that has not qualified on another piece, gymnasts should not travel unless they are in the top 3 on a piece of apparatus. This gymnast must be the next highest scorer on that piece from the counties traveling Gymnasts. This gymnast can be used as the replacement up until the end of full body warm up. i.e. If the 3rd placed gymnast on vault does not attend the event the reserve can be used as long as they have qualified on another piece.

Designed for gymnasts who have competed at Level 1 and / or are competent to enter at this level.

There are four pieces of apparatus - gymnasts may choose to compete on one or more pieces.

Age groups							
Level 2	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	
Hours trained				Up	to 4 Ho	urs	

Vault	Vault				
Compositional F	Requirements (CR)	DV			
Two vaults to be pe	rformed the best score to count.				
Permitted Vault	From run and jump from springboard, stretch jump to land on top of block, showing an arm swing into kick to handstand fall to flat back.	1.40			
Height	Landing mat / firm block to 60cm				

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Floo	Floor					
SV 3	.00	Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ Artistry bonus 0.5 for M/F		6 elements compiled from the CR's below, performed in any order from the elements table below. Girls with music (Penalty of 1.0 mark without music) 70 seconds maximum				
		obatic elements directly connected moving in the same n or line, without flight - V:1.0				
S.	2. A balan	ce or strength element - V:0.5				
	3. A passa	ge of dance containing TWO leaps or jumps V:1.0				
	4. Half tur	n spin on one foot or half turn jump V:0.5				
ents	Acrobatic	Cartwheel, handstand, cartwheel with one hand, forward or backward roll to stand or straddle stand. (Maximum of two rolls per routine, one forward and one backward)				
Permitted Elements Reab /Jump Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V-sit without hand support, 1 leg stand free leg in attitude, frog balance, bridge, splits, shoulder stand with and without hand support				
ermi	Leap /Jump	Straight jump, tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap, straight jump ½, ½ spin				
Strength		Press-up with control, half lever piked or straddled, held for 2 seconds				
Bari	red Elements	Any element not on the permitted list.				



Apparatus Championships | Level 2 Rules

Asyr	Asymmetric Bars / Horizontal Bar						
SV 2	.00	Compositional Requirements (CR)					
		4 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.					
CR	Fixed routine to the 5 elements below						
ts	1. Circle u	p from one or two feet, (1 or 2 spring boards may be used)					
neu	2. Cast an	d return to bar					
:len	3. Cast and return to bar						
pe E	4. Cast to	4. Cast to push backwards dismount to stand					
nitte							
Permitted Elements							
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Barred Elements		Any element not on the permitted list.					
Equipment		Male & Female single bar only. (1 or 2 spring boards may be used) (wood or metal bar may be used)					

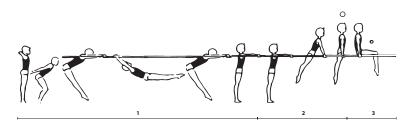
Bear	Beam							
SV 3	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)					
	stry bo	onus	6 elements, each element 0.5.					
0.5			Minimum one length of the beam , 70 seconds maximum					
			70 seconds maximum					
	1.	Mount -	V:0.5					
	2.	A baland	ce element - V:0.5					
CR.	3.	An acrol	batic element - V:0.5					
O	4.	Half turr	n on two feet - V:0.5					
	5.	A leap o	r jump - V:0.5					
	6.	Star jum	p dismount from side or end - V:0.5					
	Mour	nt	Squat on, straddle on, from two feet to two feet jump					
nents	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V-sit with hand support, 1 leg stand with free leg in attitude					
l Elen	Leap /Leap/ Jump		Straight jump, tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap					
tec	Turns		Stretched or crouched					
Permitted Elements	Acrobatic		Kick towards handstand and land in lunge – body and first leg to 45° minimum, second leg move towards the first and must leave the beam, but does not need to join, forward roll					
Dismount		ount	Star jump					
Barr	red Elei	ments	Any other element not on the permitted list.					
Eq	uipm	ent	Floor beam (Girls only).					

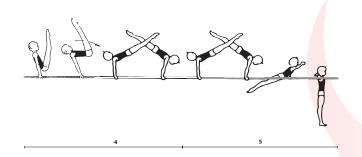
Apparatus Championships | Level 2 Rules

Para	Parallel Bars							
SV 2	.50		Compositional Requirements (CR)					
			5 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.					
CR	Fixed	d routine	to the 5 elements below					
ıts	1.	From sta	anding between the bars, jump to float swing land at the back					
ner	 Jump to support with straight arms, hold for 3 secs Tuck "L" sit, thighs at 90° feet pointing downwards, hold for 3 secs 							
Eler								
pa	4. Flick to swing backwards							
Permitted Elements	5. Swing forwards, backwards to land between the bars							
Peri								
Fallinment			Boys only. Height to be set at the shoulder height of gymnast (or higher). Shoulders above the bars will receive a penalty.					

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

ECGA General Gymnastics Parallel Bars | Level 2





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Level 3 - Individual Apparatus Competition for Female & Male gymnasts who must be entered via qualification at county events.

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Designed for gymnasts who have competed at Level 2 and / or are competent to enter at this level.

There are four pieces of apparatus - gymnasts may choose to compete on one or more pieces.

Age groups								
Level 3	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+	
Hours trained				Up	to 4 Ho	urs		

Vault	Vault					
Compositional F	Requirements (CR)	DV				
Two vaults to be pe	rformed the best score to count.					
Permitted Vault	Handspring flat back	2.00				
	From run and jump from spring board, handspring flat back					
Height	8, 9, 10-11 Landing mats at 60cm 12-13 & 14-15 Landing mats at 90cm					
	16-17 & 18+ years Landing mats at 110cm					

Floo	Floor						
SV 3.50			Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ Artistry bonus 0.5 for M/F		onus	7 elements compiled from the CR's below, performed in any order from the elements table below. Girls with music (Penalty of 1.0 mark without music) 90 seconds maximum				
	1.		obatic elements directly connected moving in the same n or line, one with flight- V:1.0				
	2.	A baland	ce or strength element - V:0.5				
CR	3.	A passage of dance containing TWO leaps or jumps or a directly connected mixed series of one acro and one dance element- V:1.0					
	4.	Full turn	spin on one foot or full turn jump - V:0.5				
	5.	One add	litional elements - V:0.5				
ts	Acrobatic		Cartwheel, handstand, cartwheel with one hand, handstand forward roll, forward or backward roll to stand or straddle stand, forward or backward walkover, tucked headstand,				
emen	Flighted acrobatic		Dive cartwheel, round-off				
Permitted Elements	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V sit without hand support, bridge, pike or straddle lever, splits, shoulder stand without hand support				
	Leap	/Jump	Tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap, split leap, stag leap, straddle jump, full turn jump, full turn spin				
	Strer	ngth	Swedish fall to press up with one leg held up, half lever piked or straddled				
Barr	red Ele	ments	Any element not on the permitted list.				

Apparatus Championships | Level 3 Rules

Asyr	Asymmetric Bars / Horizontal Bar					
SV 2	.00	Compositional Requirements (CR)				
		4 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
S.	Fixed routine	to the 5 elements below				
ts	1. Circle u	p from one or two feet				
neu	2. Cast and	Cast and return to bar				
<u>:l</u> en	3. Cast into	Cast into back-¬hip circle				
Permitted Elements	4. Cast to choice of dismount: push backwards dismount to land, OR Squat on and jump forwards - bonus of 0.5 OR Straddle undershoot - bonus of 0.5					
Barred Elements		Any element not on the permitted list.				
Equipment		Male & Female single bar only. (1 or 2 spring boards may be used) (wood or metal bar may be used)				

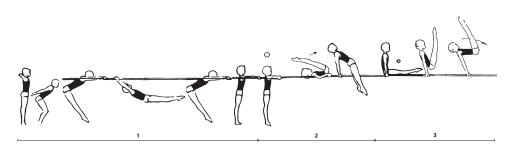
Bear	Beam							
SV 3.00			Compositional Requirements (CR)					
+ Arti	istry b	onus	6 elements, each element 0.5.					
0.5			Minimum two lengths of the beam: 0.2 deduction for one length					
			70 seconds maximum					
	1.	Mount -	· V:0.5					
	2.	A balan	ce element - V:0.5					
CR	3.	An acro	batic element - V:0.5					
C	4.	Half turi	spin on one foot - V:0.5					
	5.	A leap o	or jump - V:0.5					
	6.	6. Straddle jump dismount from end of beam - V:0.5						
nts	Mount		Squat on, straddle on, jump to front support swing leg over beam to cross sit					
leme	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V-sit with no hand support					
Permitted Elements	Leap /Leap/ Jump		Straight jump switch feet, tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap, ½-turn spin					
ermit	Acrobatic		Forward roll, cartwheel, kick towards handstand – leading leg to vertical, second leg to 90° minimum					
ш	Dism	nount	Straddle jump					
Barı	red Ele	ements	Any other element not on the permitted list.					
Eq	uipn	nent	Height of 125cm + 20cm safety mat underneath and on dismount area (Girls only).					

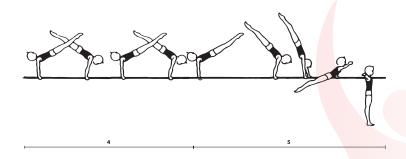
Apparatus Championships | Level 3 Rules

Para	Parallel Bars						
SV 2	.50		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
			5 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
CR	Fixe	d routine	to the 5 elements below				
ents	1.	I. From standing between the bars, jump to float swing land at the back IMMEDIATE jump to support on upper arms, hold for 3 secs					
em 	2. Kip fold to straddle support, hold for 3 secs						
Б	3. Lift to half lever, hold for 3 secs, shoot legs forward						
itte	4. Swing backwards, forwards, backwards, forwards, backwards to perform						
Permitted Elements	5. Dismount at the rear to the side. (Not Between the bars, Face Vault).						
Eq	Equipment Boys only. Height to be set at the shoulder height of gymnast (or higher). Shoulders above the bars will receive a penalty.						

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

ECGA General Gymnastics Parallel Bars | Level 3





Level 4 - Individual Apparatus Competition for Female & Male gymnasts who must be entered via qualification at county events.

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Designed for gymnasts who have competed at Level 3 and / or are competent to enter at this level.

There are four pieces of apparatus - gymnasts may choose to compete on one or more pieces.

Age groups								
Level 4		9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+	
Hours trained				Up	to 6 Ho	urs		

Vault					
Compositional F	Requirements (CR)	DV			
Any two vaults may be performed the best score to count. Hands must make a full 180 turn on turning vault					
itted ult	Handspring flat back	2.00			
Permitted Vault	⅓ on to flat lie on firm mats	2.50			
Height	10-11 & 12-13 Landing mats at 90cm				
rieight	14-15, 16-17 & 18+ years Landing mats at 1	10cm			

Floo	Floor								
SV 4.00			Compositional Requirements (CR)						
+ Artistry bonus 0.5 for M/F		nus	8 elements compiled from the CR's below, performed in any order from the elements table below. Girls with music (Penalty of 1.0 mark without music) 90 seconds maximum						
			obatic elements directly connected moving in the same n or line, minimum of one element with flight - V:1.0						
	2. <i>F</i>	A baland	ce or strength element - V:0.5						
CR			ge of dance containing TWO leaps or jumps or a directly ed mixed series of one acro and one dance element- V:1.0						
	4. F	ull turn	urn spin on one foot or full turn jump - V:0.5						
	5. T	5. Two additional elements - V:0.5 each							
Permitted Elements	Acrobatic		Handstand hold for 2 sec, cartwheel with one or two hands, handstand forward roll with straight arms, forward or backward roll to stand or straddle stand, forward or backward walkover, headstand with straight legs						
	Flighted acrobatic		Dive cartwheel, round off, handspring, back flick, free cartwheel (Handsprings and flicks to one foot can be used as individual skills without a repetition deduction).						
	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V sit without hand support, bridge, pike or straddle lever, splits						
	Leap /	Jump	Tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap, split leap, stag leap, straddle jump, full turn jump, full turn spin, W-Jump or Hop.						
	Streng	ıth	From straddle stand elephant lift to handstand optional exit, straddle lever to straddle stand, press up with clap to straight arms						
Barr	red Elen	nents	Any element not on the permitted list.						

Apparatus Championships | Level 4 Rules

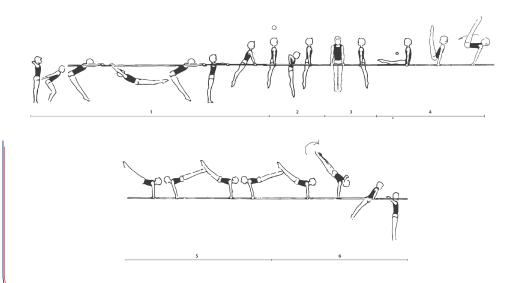
Asyr	symmetric Bars						
SV 2.50			Compositional Requirements (CR)				
			5 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
CR	Fixed	routine	to the 5 elements below				
ts	1. (Circle up	o from one or two feet				
neu	2. (Cast into	o back-hip circle				
:len	3. Cast to		squat on, or stoop on (pike), transfer to the high bar				
pe E	4.	Swing fo	orward and back				
Permitted Elements	orward and back, dismount to the rear						
Barred Elements		nents	Any element not on the permitted list.				
Equipment		ent	Girls only. (1 or 2 spring boards may be used)				

Bear	Beam						
SV 3.00			Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ Arti	stry b	onus	6 elements, each element 0.5.				
0.5			Minimum two lengths of the beam: 0.2 deduction for one length				
			90 seconds maximum				
	1.	Mount -	V:0.5				
	2.	A baland	ce element - V:0.5				
CR	3.	An acrobatic element on the beam - V:0.5					
O	4.	Half turr	n spin on one foot, immediate two-footed half turn - V:0.5				
	5.	A leap o	r jump - V:0.5				
	6.	Dismou	nt - V:0.5				
ts	Mount		Squat on, straddle on, forward roll on, jump to front support swing leg over beam to cross sit				
emen	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 45° minimum), Y-balance, V sit with no hand support				
Permitted Elements	Leap /Leap/ Jump		Changement jump (straight jump with switch of feet and return to original position), tuck jump, star jump, cat leap, scissor leap, ½-turn spin on one-foot immediate two-footed ½ turn, W-Jump or Hop.				
Pe	Acro	batic	Free forward roll, cartwheel, handstand to vertical				
	Dism	nount	Round of				
Barr	ed Ele	ements	Any other element not on the permitted list.				
Eq	uipn	nent	Height of 125cm: (Girls only).				

Apparatus Championships | Level 4 Rules

Hori	Horizontal Bar							
SV 2	.50		Compositional Requirements (CR)					
			5 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.					
CR	Fixe	d route to	the 5 elements below					
ts	1.	From lo	ng hang, chin up then circle up to front support					
Elements	2.	Circle d	Circle down to long hang					
len	3.	Trolley	lley swing into two swings					
	4.	Immedi	mediate swing to half turn (hand placement optional)					
ıitte	5.	Swing fo	wing forwards, Backwards and dismount to rear of swing					
Permitted								
Eq	uipı	ment	Boys Only. Set Routine can use wood or metal bar					

ECGA General Gymnastics Parallel Bars | Level 4



If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Para	Parallel Bars							
SV 3	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)					
			6 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.					
CR	Fixed	d routine	to the 6 elements below					
S	1.		randing between the bars, jump to float swing land at the iate jump to front support with straight arms Hold for 3 secs.					
ent	2.	Dip to 9	900					
em	3.	Half turi	rn (Either direction)					
d El	4.	Lift to H	Half lever, hold for 3 secs, shoot legs forward.					
itte	5.	Swing b	oackwards, forwards, backwards, forwards into					
Permitted Elements	6.	Flank dismount with half turn						
Pe								
Eq	Equipment		Boys only. Height to be set at the shoulder height of gymnast (or higher). Shoulders above the bars will receive a penalty.					

Level 5 - Individual Apparatus Competition for Female & Male gymnasts who must be entered via qualification at county events.

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Designed for gymnasts who have competed at Level 4 and / or are competent to enter at this level.

There are four pieces of apparatus - gymnasts may choose to compete on one or more pieces.

Age groups										
Level 5	Level 5 10–11 12–13 14–15 16-17 18+									
Hours trained				Up	to 6 Ho	urs				

Vault						
Compositional	Compositional Requirements (CR)					
Any two vaults may be performed the best score to count. Hands must make a full 180 turn on turning vault						
<u> </u>	½ on to flat lie (to mats at table height)	2.20				
ittec	Handspring to stand (Over table)	2.50				
Permitted Vault	½ on to stand (Over table)	2.70				
	½ off	3.00				
Height Vault table 110cm or 120cm						

Floo	r						
SV 4.00			Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ Artistry bonus 0.5 for M/F		nus	8 elements compiled from the CR's below, performed in any order from the elements table below. Girls with music (Penalty of 1.0 mark without music) 90 seconds maximum				
			obatic elements directly connected moving in the same n or line, both with flight- V:1.0				
	2. /	A baland	ce or strength element - V:0.5				
CR			ge of dance containing TWO leaps or jumps or a directly ed mixed series of one acro and one dance element- V:1.0				
	4. F	4. Full turn spin on one foot or full turn jump - V:0.5					
	5. Two add		litional elements - V:0.5 each				
	Acrobatic		Handstand held for 2 seconds, cartwheel with one hand, handstand forward roll with straight arms, forward or backward walkover, pike to headstand with straight legs				
ments	Flighted acrobatic:		Dive cartwheel, round off, handspring, back flick, free cartwheel, front and back tucked salto. (Handsprings, flicks and salto's to one foot can be used as separate skill without a repetition deduction).				
ed Ele	Balance		Arabesque (chest lifted, leg to 90°), Y-balance, V sit without hand support, bridge, pike or straddle lever, splits				
Permitted Elements	Leap /Jump		Tuck jump with half turn, cat leap, scissor leap, split leap, stag leap, straddle jump, pike jump, W-Jump or Hop, full turn jump, full turn spin				
	Strength		Headstand push to handstand (tucked knees in headstand permitted), straddle lever lift to handstand optional exit, handstand lower to piked or straddle lever, endo roll (forward roll to straddle lever & lift to handstand), Russian lever held 2 secs				
Barı	ed Elen	nents	Any element not on the permitted list.				



Apparatus Championships | Level 5 Rules

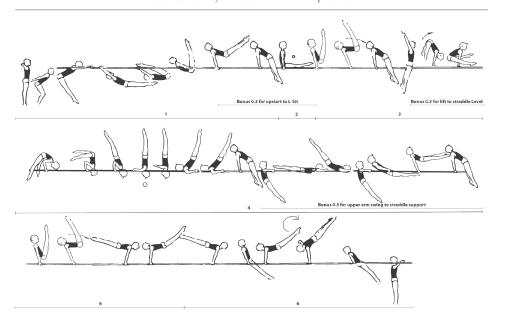
Asyr	symmetric Bars						
SV 3	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
	bonus ach upsta	art	6 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
CR	Fixed ro	outine	to the 6 elements below				
Permitted Elements	sp	oring b	o from two feet. Option to float upstart for 0.5 bonus (1 or 2 boards may be used)				
d Elei			o back-hip circle squat on, or stoop on (pike), transfer to the high bar.				
itte	4. Sı	wing ir	nto baby giant. Option to long upstart for 0.5 bonus				
ı.	5. Ca	ast into	o back-hip circle				
Pe	6. St	traddle	e on undershoot dismount.				
Bar	Barred Elements		Any element not on the permitted list.				
Ec	Equipment		Girls only.				

Beam						
SV 3.50		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
	stry bonus	7 elements, each element 0.5.				
0.5		Minimum two lengths of the beam: 0.2 deduction for one length				
		90 seconds maximum				
	1. Mount -	V:0.5				
	2. A baland	ce element - V:0.5				
8	3. An acrobatic element on the beam - V:0.5					
	4. Full turn spin - V:0.5					
	5. TWO (2) dance elements directly connected - V:1.0					
	6. Dismou	nt - V:0.5				
ts	Mount	Squat on, straddle on, forward roll on, Japana Mount, Jump to one foot, jump to clear straddle support, Squat to rear support.				
emen	Balance	Arabesque (chest lifted and leg to 90°), Y-balance, V sit with no hand support, bridge, splits (any direction)				
Permitted Elements	Leap /Leap/ Jump	Scissor leap, tuck jump, ½ turn straight, ½ turn tuck, cat leap, split leap or jump, sissone (to 135 degree split), full turn spin, W-Jump or Hop.				
	Acrobatic	Cartwheel, handstand held for 2 seconds, forward walkover, backward walkover, free roll, handstand forward roll				
	Dismount	Round off, handspring, front tuck somersault				
Barr	red Elements	Any other element not on the permitted list.				
Eq	uipment	Height of 125cm: (Girls only).				

Apparatus Championships | Level 5 Rules

Hori	Horizontal Bars						
SV 3	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ 0.5 bonus for upstart			6 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
CR	Fixed route to the 6 elements below						
ıts	1.	From lo	ng hang, chin up to circle up to front support.				
nen	2.	Cast into	o back hip circle into drop into undershoot to swing backwards				
Elements	3.	Swing fo	g forwards into ½-turn, swing forwards, swing backwards				
4. Swing f			orward into immediate up-rise or long upstart (0.5 bonus for start only)				
ırı	ate back hip circle						
Pe	6. Immediate cast to straddle undershoot with half turn						
Eq	uipn	nent	Boys Only. Set Routine can use wood or metal bar				

ECGA General Gymnastics Parallel Bars | Level 5



If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Para	Parallel Bars						
SV 3.00			Compositional Requirements (CR)				
+ 1.1 availa		ises	6 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.				
CR	Fixe	d routine	to the 6 elements below				
ts	1.	on the b	anding between the bars, float upstart to straddle support pars, hold for 3 secs OR From standing between the bars, float to "L" sit, hold for 3 secs (0.3 Bonus)				
ent	2.	If perfor	med 1a "L" sit hold for 3 secs				
Permitted Elements	3.	OR Lift I	forward to straddle support on the bars, move hands forward egs backwards and upwards, then forwards to straddle lever, gs to the bars (0.3 bonus)				
Permitt	4.	shoulde	shoulder stand, roll forward to straddle support OR Lift to der stand, roll forward to back up rise, swing forward to straddle irs (0.5 Bonus)				
	5.	Lift legs	, kip forward, swing backward, forward, backward, forward into				
	6.	Flank va	ult dismount with half turn				
Eq	uipr	ment	Boys only. Height to be set at the shoulder height of gymnast (or higher). Shoulders above the bars will receive a penalty.				



Level 6 - Individual Apparatus Competition for Female & Male gymnasts who must be entered via qualification at county events.

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Designed for gymnasts who have competed at Level 5 and / or are competent to enter at this level.

There are four pieces of apparatus - gymnasts may choose to compete on one or more pieces.

Age groups									
Level 6				12-13	14–15	16-17	18+		
Hou		Up	to 6 Ho	urs					

Vault			
Compositional	DV		
Any two vaults may be performed the best score to count. Hands must make a full 180 turn on turning vault			
	Handspring to stand	2.50	
ault	½ on to stand	2.70	
N pe	½ off	3.00	
Permitted Vault	½ on ½ off	3.20	
Perr	1/1 off	3.40	
	½ on 1/1 off	3.60	
Height	Height Vault table 110cm or 120cm		

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Floo	r				
SV 4	.50		Compositional Requirements (CR)		
+ Artistry bonus 0.5 for M/F		onus	9 elements compiled from the CR's below, performed in any order from the elements table below. Girls with music (Penalty of 1.0 mark without music) 90 seconds maximum		
	1.		robatic flighted elements directly connected in the same n or line, include at least one salto - V:1.5		
	2.	A baland	ce or strength element - V:0.5		
CR	3.		ge of dance containing TWO leaps or jumps or a directly ed mixed series of one acro and one dance element- V:1.0		
	4.	Full turn	spin on one foot or full turn jump - V:0.5		
	5.	One add	ditional somersault - Forwards or backwards - V:0.5		
	5.	One add	ditional elements - V:0.5		
	Acrobatic		Handstand full turn, cartwheel with one hand, handstand forward roll with straight arms, forward or backward walkover, pike to headstand with straight legs,		
ments	Flighted acrobatic:		Dive cartwheel, Round off, Handspring to one foot, Handspring to two feet, Fly spring, Back flick, Free cartwheel, Front and back tucked salto (No Whips), Free forward walkover, Back flick to front support. (Handsprings, flicks and salto's to one foot can be used as separate skill without a repetition deduction).		
d Elei	Balar	nce	Arabesque – (chest lifted, leg to 90degrees), Y-balance, pike or straddle lever, splits		
Permitted Elements Feab /Jump		/Jump	Tuck jump with half turn, cat leap, scissors leap, split leap, stag leap, split leap ¼ turn, split leap leg change, sissone, straddle jump, pike jump, W-Jump or Hop, straight jump full turn,		
	Spins		Any 360° spin		
Strength		Strength Headstand push to handstand (tucked knees in headstand permitted), straddle lever lift to handstand optional exit, handstand lower to piked or straddle lever, endo roll (forward roll to straddle lever & lift to handstand), Russian lever held 2 secs, Chest roll to Handstand			
Barr	ed Ele	ments	No element not on the permitted list.		





Apparatus Championships | Level 6 Rules

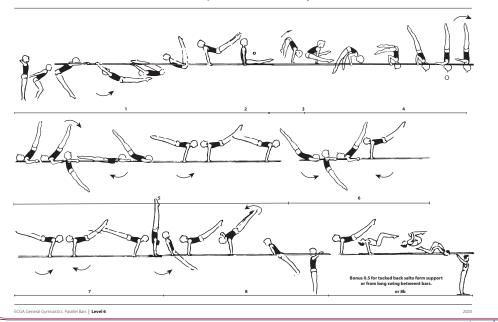
Asyr	Asymmetric Bars				
SV 3.50			Compositional Requirements (CR)		
+ 0.5 bonus for salto dismount		_	7 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.		
S.	Fixed	d routine	to the 7 elements below		
10	1.	Float up	ostart		
ents	2. Cast into back-hip circle				
Elements	3. Cast to squat on or stoop (pike) on or ¾ sole circle, transfer to the high bar.				
ted					
Permitted	5.	Cast into	o swing into baby giant		
Peri	6.	Cast into	o back-hip circle		
	7. Pike or Straddle Undershoot ½, or tucked back-away (0.5 bonus)				
Barred Elements Any element not on the permitted list.		Any element not on the permitted list.			
Equipment Girls only.					

Bear	n				
V 4	.00		Compositional Requirements (CR)		
- Artistry bonus		onus	8 elements, each element 0.5.		
.5			Minimum two lengths of the beam: 0.2 deduction for one length		
			90 seconds maximum		
	1.	Mount -	V:0.5		
	2.	A baland	ce element - V:0.5		
	3.		batic element on the beam with flight (can be connected to nt) - V:0.5		
CR	4.	Full turn	spin - V:0.5		
5. TWO Ju			mps or Leaps elements directly connected n a 135° split - V:1.0		
	6.	One add	litional element of choice- V:0.5		
	7.	Dismou	nt - V:0.5		
	Mou	nt	Straddle on, forward roll on, Japana Mount, Jump to one foot, jump to clear straddle support, Squat to rear support.		
ents	Balar	nce	Arabesque – (chest lifted, leg to 90°), Y-balance, pike or straddle lever, bridge, splits (any direction)		
Permitted Elements	Leap Jump	/Leap/ o	Scissor leap, tuck jump, ½ turn straight, ½ turn tuck, cat leap, cat leap ½ turn, split leap or jump, sissone to 135°, full turn spin, W-Jump or Hop.		
mitte	Acro	batic	Handstand held for 2 seconds, forward walkover, backward walkover, free roll, handstand forward roll, Cartwheel		
Per	Flighted Acrobatic		Flick (any option), Round-off, Dive cartwheel, Handspring to one, Cartwheel with flight		
	Dism	ount	Round off, handspring, front tuck somersault, tuck back somersault, free round-off		
Barı	ed Ele	ments	Any other element not on the permitted list.		
Eq	uipn	nent	Height of 125cm: (Girls only).		

Apparatus Championships | Level 6 Rules

Horizontal Bars SV 3.50 **Compositional Requirements (CR)** + 0.5 bonus 7 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5. for salto dismount Fixed route to the 7 elements below From long hang, trolley swing immediate long upstart **Permitted Elements** Cast into back hip circle into drop into swing backward Swing forward into ½ turn, swing forwards, swing backwards, forwards into Immediate back up-rise or long upstart (0.50 bonus) Immediate clear hip circle to 45° into swing forwards Immediate back up-rise or long upstart (0.50 bonus) Cast to straddle on undershoot with ½ turn) or tucked back-away (0.50 bonus) Equipment Boys Only. Set Routine can use wood or metal bar

ECGA General Gymnastics Parallel Bars | Level 6



If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Para	Parallel Bars					
SV 4.00			Compositional Requirements (CR)			
+ 0.5 bonus for salto		ıs	8 elements in the set order below order each element 0.5.			
CR	Fixe	ed routine	to the 8 elements below			
	1.	From sta	anding between the bars, float upstart to "L" lever			
S	2.	Hold "L"	3 seconds			
ent	3. Lift into straddle lever					
em	4.	Lift legs	backwards into shoulder stand, roll forwards into			
日日	5.	Back up	-rise, swing forwards and backwards into			
tte	6.	Drop or	nto upper arms and front up-rise			
Permitted Elements	7.	Swing b	ackwards, forwards and backward to handstand			
Pe	8. Swing forwards into flank vault dismount with ½ turn or (tucked back					
	away from side or from long swing from end or between bars 0.50 bonus)					
Eq	Equipment Boys only. Height to be set at the shoulder height of gymnast (or higher). Shoulders above the bars will receive a penalty.					





Apparatus | **General Penalties**

Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Bent arms or bent knees	Χ	Х	Х
Leg or knee separations	Χ	Х	
Insufficient height of elements	Χ	Х	
Feet not pointed / relaxed	Χ		
Body alignment	Χ		
Dismount too close to the apparatus (bars & beam)		Х	
Landing Faults (Max Penalties of 0.8 If No Fall)			
Legs apart on landing	Χ		
Extra arm swing on landing	Χ		
Lack of balance on landing	Χ	Х	
Extra steps on landing	Χ		
Large step / hop / jump on landing (More than 1 metre)		Х	
Deep squat on landing			Х
Body posture fault on landing	Χ	Х	
Brushing or touching the apparatus on landing but not falling against apparatus		Х	
Support on mat / apparatus with 1 or 2 hands			1.0
Fall on mat to knees or hips			1.0
Fall on or against apparatus			1.0
Failure to land feet first on landing from element			1.0
Head Judge Deductions			
Failure to present to judges before or after exercise		Х	
Failure to land on supplementary landing mat on bars & beam (Levels 3-5)			Х
Incorrect attire (jewellery, *leotard, bandage colour, shorts with adornment).		Х	
Coach speaking or signalling to gymnast during exercise (except during fall period)			Х

^{*}In Team competitions the colour / design of both boys and girls leotards must match.

Leotards with and without sleeves are considered the same as long as they are the same colour and design.

Apparatus | Vault Penalties & Dynamics

First Flight Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5
Missing degree of turn for ½ on vaults (Level 5)	Χ	Χ	
Hip angle	Χ	Χ	
Arch	Χ	Χ	
Bent knees / legs	Χ	Χ	Χ
Leg or knee separations	Χ	Χ	
Repulsion Fault			
Staggered hand placement	Χ		
Lack of arm circle before handstand in Level 2	Χ	Χ	
Shoulder angle	Χ	Χ	
Failure to pass through vertical	Χ		
Bent arms	Χ	X	Χ
Bent knees / legs	Χ	X	Χ
Lack of long axis turn in ½ on vaults	Χ	X	Χ
Only using one hand in handspring or ½ on vaults (HJ)			2.00
deduction from final score)			2.00
SECOND FLIGHT Fault			
Insufficient height	Х	X	X
Failure to maintain stretched body	Χ	X	
Bent knees / legs	Χ	X	Χ
Leg or knee separations	Χ	X	
Insufficient length	Х	X	
Deviation from straight line on landing	Χ		
Landing Penalties			
As per the General Table of Faults			
Dynamics Bonus			
Dynamics	X	Χ	
*Invalid Vault, Scoring 0.00			
Not landing feet first where required to do so	No Vault (0.00 Score	
	Run up and touching springboard / vault / piled up		
mats, without performing a vault			
No touch with hands on vault or piled up mats No Vault 0.00 Score			
Head touching vault / piled up mats	No Vault 0.00 Score		



Apparatus | Floor Penalties & Bonus

Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Head Judge Deductions			
Completely missing an element from the exercise			1.0
Incomplete attempt of element			Х
Absence of music or music with words			1.0
Landing/stepping out floor area with 1 foot or hand	Х		
Landing/stepping out with both feet, hands or body part		Χ	
Balance / Strength Elements - Faults	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Not held for 2 secs (where stated for strength elements)		Х	
Arabesque, attitude – leg not at horizontal	Х	Х	
Pike V sit – lack of pike position	Х	Х	
Y balance – lack of split	Х	Х	
Bridge – shoulders not over hands	Х	Х	
Lack of control in strength elements	Χ	Х	
Leaps / Jumps - Faults	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Lack of split position when required – 0–20° missing	Х		
Lack of split position when required – 20–45° missing		Х	
Knees / legs at horizontal in tuck jump, tuck jump ½			
turn, cat leap, cat leap ½ turn, front leg in W jump,	X		
straddle jump, pike jump			
Knees / legs below horizontal in tuck jump, tuck jump			
½ turn, cat leap, cat leap ½ turn, front leg in W jump,		X	
straddle jump, pike jump			
Legs more than 45° in scissor leap – no penalty			
Legs less than 45° in scissor leap	Х	X	
Legs more than shoulder width in star jump – no pen.			
Legs less than shoulder width apart in star jump	Х	Х	
Two plus step without change of direction - Boys only	Х		
Acrobatic Elements - Faults	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
L1– kick towards handstand – handstand at 45° – no pen.			
L1 – kick towards handstand – handstand less than 45°	Χ	Х	
L1 – kick towards handstand – second foot not off floor			X
L3 – lack of height in dive cartwheel	Χ	Х	
L4, 5 & 6 – arms not straight in handstand forward roll	Χ	Х	
Lack of split in acro elements where required	Χ	Х	
Lack of tuck position in either front or back salto	Χ	Х	
Swedish Fall - front support/prone leg at 45°/90°	Χ	Х	Х

Artistry - Bonus - Girls	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Expressiveness	Χ		
Confidence	Χ		
Musicality	Χ		
Smooth transition between elements	Χ		
Creative & original transitions	Χ		
Artistry - Bonus - Boys			
Confidence	0.2		
Expressiveness	0.1		
Smooth transition between elements	0.2		

Floor Artistry - (Girls)

Confidence – Sureness of performance. The gymnast must show good posture through use of head & shoulders with confident movements throughout the exercise.

Expressiveness – How the gymnast presents themselves. The gymnast must connect with the audience & the judges & should involve them in their performance.

Musicality – The gymnast must interpret the style of the floor music using dance movements that are related to the music. The gymnast must demonstrate her ability to follow the musical beats in her routine.

Smooth transition between movement & elements - There must be a fluency to the exercise & the exercise should be connected without stops / pauses.

Creative & original transitions – The gymnast must cover as much of the floor area as possible using curves, straight lines, changes in direction & level.

Floor Artistry – **(Boys)** - Routines do not require chasses, skipping, running or hops. The whole floor area does not have to be covered. No more than two steps without change of direction will be penalised.

Confidence – (worth up to 0.2) Sureness of performance. The gymnast must show good posture through use of head & shoulders with confident movements throughout the exercise.

Expressiveness – (worth up to 0.1) How the gymnast presents themselves. The gymnast must connect with the audience & the judges & should involve them in their performance.

Smooth transition between movement & elements - (worth up to 0.2) There must be a fluency to the exercise & the exercise should be connected without stops / pauses.

Note: Although all individual elements should be given if an attempt is made in the event of a connected series if the connection is not made the whole value of the CR will not to be given.



Apparatus | Beam Penalties & Bonus

Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Head Judge Deductions			
Completely missing an element from the exercise			1
Incomplete attempt of element (must touch / return			X No CR
to beam with at least one foot)			A NO CR
Specific Beam Fault			
Excessive arm swing before elements	Х		
Additional support of leg against side of beam		Χ	
Grasp on beam to avoid a fall			Х
Additional movements to maintain balance	X	Χ	Х
BALANCE ELEMENTS			
Not held for 2 secs		X	
Arabesque, attitude – leg not at horizontal	Х	Х	
Pike V sit – lack of pike position	Х	Х	
Y balance – Lack of split	Х	Х	
**Leaps / Jumps			
Lack of split position when required – 0 – 20 degree	x		
missing	^		
Lack of split position when required – 20 – 45 degree		x	
missing		^	
Knees at horizontal in tuck jump, tuck jump ½ turn, cat	X		
leap, cat leap ½ turn, front leg in W jump			
Knees below horizontal in tuck jump, tuck jump ½		X	
turn, cat leap, cat leap ½ turn, front leg in W jump			
Legs more than 45° in scissor leap – no penalty			
Legs less than 45° in scissor leap	Х	Х	
Legs more than shoulder width apart in star jump – no			
penalty		.,	
Legs less than shoulder width apart in star jump	Χ	X	
Acrobatic Elements			
Lack of split in acro elements where required	Х	X	
Level 2– kick towards handstand – handstand at 45° –			
no penalty			
Level 2 – kick towards handstand – handstand less	Χ	X	
than 45°			

Level Specific Faults	0.1	0.3	0.5
Level 2 – kick towards handstand – second foot not			X
leaving beam			^
Level 2 – use of hands in tuck position to stand			X
Level 3 – 6 handstand at vertical - no penalty			
Level 3 – 6 handstand between vertical & 45°	Х	Х	
Level 3 – 6 handstand below 45°			Х
Level 5 & 6 – handstand – Not held for 2 secs		Х	
Level 6 Lack of height in flighted element	Χ	Х	
Artistry - Bonus			
Confidence	Х		
Personal Style	Х		
Changes in rhythm & tempo	Х	1	
Smooth transition between elements	Х		
Creative & original transitions	Х		

Beam Artistry

Confidence – Sureness of performance. The gymnast must show good posture through use of head & shoulders with confident movements throughout the exercise.

Personal style – How the gymnast performs the routine. The gymnast must show movements that are finished to the maximum with touches of individuality during the routine.

Changes in rhythm & tempo – There must be changes of pace / speed in dance & movements showing both fast & slow aspects.

Smooth transition between movement & elements - There must be a fluency to the exercise & the exercise must be connected without stops / pauses.

Creative & original transitions – There must be changes in direction using forward, sideways & backward movements, changes in level using movements close to the beam.

Note: Although all individual elements should be given if an attempt is made in the event of a connected series if the connection is not made the whole value of the CR will not to be given.

Apparatus | **Asymmetric Bars Penalties**

Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Head Judge Deductions			
Incomplete attempt of element			Х
Completely missing element from routine			1.0
Fault			
Adjusted grip position	Х		
Hit on the apparatus with feet			Х
Hit on mat with feet			1
Insufficient height of dismount	X	Х	
Intermediate swing			Х
Empty swing			X
Front support position not held for 2 secs in Level 1		Х	
Cast at horizontal or above – no penalty			
Cast up to 45° below horizontal	X		
Cast more than 45° below horizontal		Χ	
Body alignment in cast	X	Х	
Swing forward in L4 at 45° – no penalty			
Swing forward in L4 below 45°	Х	Х	
Swing backward in L4 – heels level with bar – no pen.			
Swing backwards in level 4 - heels below level of LB	Х	Х	
Lack of control in forward circle dismount (Level 1)	Х	Х	
L6 tucked Back away not from handstand – no pen.			

Apparatus | Horizontal Bar Penalties

Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Bent knees during swing actions (each time)	X		
Legs apart or other poor execution during mount		Χ	
Bent arms on re-grasp	X	X	
Height of swings	X	X	X
Low amplitude on flight elements	Х	X	
Intermediate swing		Х	
Leg or knee separation	Х	Х	
Steps on landing	X	Χ	X
Deep squat on landing			Х
L6 tucked Back away not from handstand – no pen.			

Apparatus | Parallel Bar Deductions

Specific Deduction / Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5+
Mount not from two feet	Х		
Additional jump prior to mount			1.0
Legs apart on mount	Χ		
Lack of body extension in float or glide element	Χ	Χ	
Swing motion on mount jump to front support or upper arm (static)	Х	Х	
Bent arms in jump to support	Х	Х	Χ
Dropped shoulders on upper arm support	Χ		
Lack of lumber fold in upper arm kip to supports	Χ	Χ	Χ
Visible strength in swing element	Χ	1	
Lever hold elements at 90° at the hip. Deduct for above and below 90°	Х	x	
Stepping or hand adjustment (per time)	Х		
Lack of height on swing 90° or above feet not above bars 0.5 + Value 0 the mark	х	x	X
Lack of height in lift to swing element hip to shoulder height	x	x	X
Lack of angle in dip element	Χ	X	X
Lack of height in upper arm element (Should be level with bar)	x	х	X
Hold elements			
<2secs	Χ		
<1secs		Χ	
Attempt			X
No hip lift shown in straddle sit	X	Χ	
Non permitted touch with apparatus		X Brush	X Hit
Intermediate swing		X Half	X Full
Steps on landing up to 0.9 max	X	Χ	X
Hand remaining in contact with apparatus on landing			X

Club Teams | Floor & Vault Competition

The teams' specific rules here are to be read in conjunction with the rest of this handbook, with reference to general entry conditions and levels rules.

Teams to consist of 3 or 4 gymnasts to perform on each piece

The top three scores on each piece to be counted towards a team total

Gymnasts may compete at any level higher than they have for individual competitions, as long as they are age eligible for that level, but must not compete at a lower level. This will not impact on the gymnast's individual competition level for subsequent years.

Teams may be made up of gymnasts from any of the level eligible age group 8-18+ years and be male or female or a mixed team.

The reserve gymnast must be named on the entry form and can be used as the replacement up until the end of full body warm up. This gymnast should travel and will be considered as part of the team and will receive a medal with the team. Certificates will be given to all team members listed on the entry form. Replacements to the team can be made up until the distribution of the final program at the competition secretary's discretion.

Maximum entry of one team per level, per club

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Clarification to vaulting heights for Levels 1-6 Floor & Vault Team Competition

Level 3

Gymnasts aged 8, 9 and 10-11yrs have the option to vault at either 60cm or 90cm However, they must perform two vaults at the same height ie not one vault at 60cm and the other at 90 cm

Gymnasts aged 12-13 & 14-15yrs must vault at 90cm Gymnasts aged 16-17 & 18+yrs have the option to vault at either 90cm or 110cm However, they must perform two vaults at the same height i.e. not one vault at 90cm and the other at 110 cm

Level 4

Gymnasts aged 9, 10-11 & 12-13yrs have the option to vault at either 90cm or 110cm. However, they must perform two vaults at the same height. i.e. not one vault at 90cm and the other at 110cm.

Gymnasts aged 14-15, 16-17 & 18+yrs must vault at 110cm



Tumbling & Trampette Competition | Tumbling

The following age levels are available at each level for each gender:

Age groups								
Level 1	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–16			
Level 2	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17		
Level 3	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+	
Level 4		9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+	
Level 5			10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+	
Level 6				12-13	14–15	16-17	18+	

Disability: There will be a Disability section available at all levels.

Level	1	2-3	4-6	
Hours trained	Up to 2	Up to 4	Up to 6	

Notes

- Tumbling runs should consist of fluid movement with no stop, steps, jumps or additional arm movements. Any evidence of these other than those described in the run will be considered as a stop.
- 2. Runs must finish in the same direction in which they started unless they are marked with an asterisk (*) in which case they finish facing the opposite direction, facing the start position.
- 3. All jumps or salto's which are followed by a cartwheel or round off must be landed on two feet, with an immediate rebound to one foot. If the gymnast does not perform the rebound immediately following a two footed landing the judges may consider this constitutes a stop.
- 4. All cartwheels with $\frac{1}{4}$ turn outwards or inwards should finish with the feet joined.
 - Cartwheels sideways with the ¼ turn being performed as a step after the cartwheel will be considered as a stop. There should be NO steps.
- 5. The approach run may not be attempted more than three times. After three attempts with no element executed a void score will be awarded. Once an element is attempted the run is considered to have started.

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

- 6. Once a run has been started, it may not be repeated or restarted unless the judges consider that there is a valid reason for doing so (for example, someone running across the tumble run while competition is in progress).
- 7. All runs can start with as start with a short run unless indicated with a** these must start from static two feet start.
- 8. This competition is a standalone competition with two separate events and gymnasts can compete at any level in either Tumbling and Trampette. If competing in individual apparatus or the teams comps these levels do not have to apply to this competitions.
- 9. Gymnasts can repeat a level year on year but can not move down a level without permission from the GGTC before entry.

Apparatus

The run will comprise of a sprung tumbling track, a marked section of a sprung floor or two layers of gym mats with matted surround. Clubs will be notified on the programme of the types of run available. Where multiple tumble runs are available, the harder levels will be allocated to the runs with the most rebound

At each level, there are two compulsory runs. The final score of the two runs will be added together to determine ranking.

Level	Level 1						
Run 1	**Forward Roll – Forward Roll – Straight Jump 180° Turn – Straight Jump – Tuck Jump*						
Run 2	**Forward Roll – Straight Jump – Forward Roll – Star Jump – Tuck Jump						

Level 2						
Run 1 **Forward Roll – Cartwheel ¼ Turn Inwards – Straight Jump 180° Turn – Forward Roll – Tuck Jump						
	**Hurdle Step Cartwheel ¼ Turn Outwards – Straight Jump – Forward Roll – Star Jump – Tuck Jump					





Level	Level 3					
Run 1	** Hurdle Step Round-Off – Straight Jump 180° Turn – Forward Roll – Jump Step Out Into Cartwheel ¼ Turn Inwards* - Tuck Jump					
Run 2	Stretch Jump - Rebound Step Out Into Cartwheel turn out – Round Off – Straight Jump – Straight Jump 180° Turn					

Level	Level 4					
Run 1 Round-Off – Flick – Straight Jump 180° Turn – Rebound Step Out Into Cartwheel ¼ Turn Outwards - Tuck Jump						
Run 2	Round-Off - Flick – Straight Jump 180° Turn – Rebound Step Out Into Round-Off – Flick					

Level	Level 5				
Run 1	Round-Off – Flick – Flick – Tuck Back Salto				
Run 2	Tuck Front Salto step out – Round-Off – Flick – Flick – Tuck Jump				

Level	Level 6				
Run 1	Round-Off – Flick – Flick – Straight Back Salto				
Run 2	Tuck Front Salto step pout – Round-Off – Flick – Flick – Tuck Back Salto				

^{**} Gymnasts must start standing from two feet. No running into the tumble

Tumbling | Execution Deductions

Scoring

Each element in a run has a Value Mark (VM) of 0.5, each run has five elements and therefore has a start value of 2.5. If a move is completely omitted and no attempt made, there is a deduction of 1.00 per skill omitted.

If elements are omitted from a run but the rest of the run is competed in the correct order, then the VM of the missing elements are deducted from the start value.

Performance of the elements in a run in an incorrect order will result in a deduction of 0.50 from the execution score (10.0). The decision of the judges is final in determining whether a run has missing elements, was performed with the elements in the incorrect order or both.

More than three approaches to a run without the performance of an element will result in a void score. The run starts when the gymnast places his/her hands on the floor for the first element.

Runs which contain a stop or pause will be subject to a competition specific deduction.

A stop may be identified when a gymnast leaves the tumble run without completing all the elements of the run or if the gymnast performs a step contrary to the requirements of the runs and noted allowances, or if the gymnast pauses mid-run for an amount of time (more than 2 seconds) which disrupts the smooth and timely performance of the run.

Competition specific deductions

Elements performed in incorrect order	1.0
Stop (each)	0.8
Pause of less than 2 seconds (each)	0.5
Uneven tempo between elements - can be taken in addition to stop or pause each	0.3
Lack of continuity and flow (overall)	0.3 or 0.5
Lack of dynamics (overall)	0.1, <mark>0.3 or 0.5</mark>

Execution deductions will be deducted from the execution score of 10.0, the remainder will be added to the start value to determine the final score (i.e. the run will be marked out of 12.5).

The final score of both runs will be added together to determine ranking.

When calculating the percentage score for the purpose of determining medal allocation for lone competitors; 25.00 (2 x 12.5) will be considered 100%.



If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

The following age levels are available at each level for each gender:

Age groups							
Level 1	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–16		
Level 2	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	
Level 3	8	9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+
Level 4		9	10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+
Level 5			10–11	12–13	14–15	16-17	18+
Level 6				12-13	14–15	16-17	18+

Disability: There will be a Disability section available at all levels.

At each level, three jumps or somersaults will be performed.

The scores for all three jumps or somersaults will be added together to determine ranking.

Notes

- 1. Coaches must stand at the trampette during each run at a safe spotting distance or gymnast will receive a penalty.
- 2. Gymnast repeating a run will be penalised 1.0 a second repetition will be penalised 2.0
- 3. This competition is a standalone competition with two separate events and gymnasts can compete at any level in either Tumbling and Trampette. If competing in individual apparatus or the teams comps these levels do not have to apply to this competitions.
- 4. Gymnasts can repeat a level year on year but can not move down a level without permission from the GGTC before entry.

Apparatus

The equipment will be set up in accordance with national safety guidelines and must be adhered to. The trampette will be a standard sized trampette with safety padding and will be inclined at a shallow angle with the top 40cm high. The landing area will consist of a safety mattress level in depth to the height of the trampette.

Landing area should securely fixed together with a top continuous length surface of tumble or agility mat.

The length of the run up will be approximately 5 metres, but can be extended for taller/older gymnast at the judges discretion. As a guide run up should not exceed 10 steps.

Trampette Competition | Tariffs

Level 1			
Gymnasts to perform 3 runs of different jumps as follows:			
Skill	Tariff		
Straight Jump	10.50		
Tuck Jump	11.00		
Star Jump	11.00		

Level 2				
Gymnasts to perform 3 runs of three different jumps from the list of value mark elements below. Salto's and Level 1 jumps not permitted				
Skill Tariff				
Straddle Jump	11.50			
Pike Jump	11.50			
Straight ½ turn Jump (180)	12.00			
Straight Jump 1/1 turn (360)	12.50			

Level 3					
Gymnasts to perform 3 runs to include two jumps and one Salto from the list of value mark elements:					
Skill Tariff					
Straddle Jump	11.50				
Pike Jump	11.50				
Straight ½ turn Jump (180)	12.00				
Straight Jump 1/1 turn (360)	12.50				
Front Salto in Tucked position	13.00				
Front Salto in Piked position	13.50				

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

Level 4					
Gymnasts to perform 3 runs to include one jump and two different Salto's					
from the list of value mark elements:					
Skill Tariff					
Straddle Jump	11.50				
Pike Jump	11.50				
Straight Jump 1/1 turn (360)	12.50				
Front Salto in Tucked position	13.00				
Front Salto in Piked position	13.50				

Level 5				
Gymnasts to perform 3 runs to include three different Salto's from the list of value mark elements:				
Skill	Tariff			
Front Salto in Tucked position	13.00			
Front Salto in Piked position	13.50			
Front Salto in Straight position	14.00			
Front Salto in straight position with ½ twist after vertical	14.50			

Level 6				
Gymnasts to perform 3 runs to include three different Salto's from the list of value mark elements:				
Skill	Tariff			
Front Salto in Piked position	13.50			
Front Salto in Straight position	14.00			
Front Salto in Straight position with ½ twist after vertical	14.50			
Front Salto in Straight position with 360 twist	15.00			

Trampette | **Execution Deductions**

If an attempt at an element is made then element should be given and only execution penalties applied.

FIRST FLIGHT	Small	Medium	Large
Bent knees	0.1	0.3	0.5
Leg separation	0.1	0.3	
Toes not pointed / feet relaxed	0.1		
Poor alignment of body position	0.1	0.3	
Insufficient height (consider size of gymnast)	0.1	0.3	0.5
SECOND FLIGHT	Small	Medium	Large
Bent knees	0.1	0.3	0.5
Toes not pointed / feet relaxed	0.1		
Insufficient tuck, pike, straddle shape	0.1	0.3	
Failure to maintain straight body shape in straight jumps with and without turn	0.1	0.3	
Failure to maintain straight body in straight front salto	0.1	0.3	
Legs separated	0.1	0.3	
Legs crossed	0.1		
Lack of extension before landing in all shapes	0.1	0.3	
Insufficient length (consider height of gymnast)	0.1	0.3	0.5
LANDING (Max 0.8 deduction without a fall)	Small	Medium	Large
Failure to land feet first			1.0
Knees / hips touching apparatus of mat			1.0
Support on mat with 1 or 2 hands			1.0
Brush / touch of landing mat without a fall		0.3	
Deep squat			0.5
Body posture	0.1	0.3	
Large step or jump (more than shoulder width)		0.3ea	
Extra steps / slight hop (less than shoulder width)	0.1ea		
Extra arm swings	0.1		
Lack of balance	0.1	0.3	
Under rotation of salto with no fall	0.1		
Under rotation of salto with a fall		0.3	
Not holding landing position for 3 secs		0.3	
Deviation from straight direction	0.1	0.3	
Up to ¼ turn either under or over rotated in Jumps / salto with turn	0.1	0.3	

OTHER DEDUCTIONS	Small	Medium	Large
First repetition			1.0
Second repetition			2.0
Performance of unrecognised element or barred element No Value			0.00 Score
1/2 turn performed before vertical in straight front salto with 1/2 twist (barani)			1.0
Failure to present to the judges before or after the Jump / salto		0.3	
Coach not at trampette during run		0.3 each	

If a jump $\frac{1}{2}$ turn is missing more than a $\frac{1}{4}$ turn then it will be awarded as a straight jump.

If a jump full turn is missing more than a ¼ turn then it will be awarded as a jump ½ turn.

If a straight front salto has any hip angle then it will be awarded as a pike salto.

If a straight front salto with a ½ turn is missing more than a ¼ turn then it will be awarded as a straight front salto.

Acro Competition | Pairs

The following age groups are available at each level:

Age groups for Male, Female & Mixed pairs					
Level 1	10 &	12 &	14 &	17 &	18+
	Under	Under	Under	Under	
Level 2	10 &	12 &	14 &	17 &	18+
Level 2	Under	Under	Under	Under	

The age group will be determined by the age of the older gymnast and the younger partner should be no younger than 4 years of the senior. All gymnasts must be a minimum age of 8 in the year of competition.

An 18-year-old partner cannot have a partner younger than 16.

Individual gymnasts cannot compete in mixed age groups within the same event but can compete in joint groupings; i.e. can compete in a mixed and same sex pair but not in two different age groups in mixed pairs or same sex pair.

All gymnasts must be a minimum age of 8 in the year of competition.

Grouping Levels/events: 1 & 2 Mixed pair, Male Pair and Female pair.

Disability: There will be a Disability section available at all levels.

Level	1	2-3	4-6
Hours trained	Up to 2	Up to 4	Up to 6

Apparatus

All Acro events should be performed on a 12x12meter mattered floor area.

Scoring:

Each skill valued at 0.5 giving a start value of 4.0 throughout each level.

Start value = 4.0 | Execution = 10.0 | Artistry = 2.0 | Total max = 16.00

Tariff sheets do NOT need to be submitted

Rules

- 1. Routine time 1:30 2:00 minutes.
- 2. Routines as per the levels 1&2 within this document.
- 3. Selecting one skill from each section regardless of difficulty.
- 4. Height restrictions: If the head height of the shorter partner is below the shoulder height of the other partner then 0.3 deduction is applied.
- 5. This competition is a standalone competition and gymnasts can compete at any level. If competing in any other General comps these levels do not have to apply to this competitions.
- 6. Gymnasts can repeat a level year on year but can not move down a level without permission from the GGTC before entry.



Acro Competition | Scoring & Judging Artistry Scoring

Descriptions of the Artistry criteria:

• Partnership (Maximum 0.5) -

Partnership selection that creates a logical relationship between individuals in pair or groups that is characterised by a visible connection.

• Expression (Maximum 0.5) -

Making the audience understand your thoughts or feelings, character, attitude. Gymnasts convey a particular emotion

Performance (Maximum 0.5) –

The act, process or art of performing by using amplitude, space, pathway, levels and synchronisation.

Creativity (Maximum 0.5) -

Display imagination, originality, inventiveness, inspiration, Variation in: composition, entries / exits, elements.

Musicality (Maximum 0.5) -

Gymnasts express the music throughout the performance:

- Match movement to the rhythm, melody and mood of the music being played;
- Synchronise with music beats;
- · Vary the magnitude or speed / tempo of movements with music;
- Use expressive movements that are influenced by melody, variations in rhythm and mood or combinations of these.

Specific Deductions

Fault	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Physical assistance by the coach			Χ
Missing pair element			1.0
Short or Long music		Χ	
Forbidden element. Only execution penalties apply	-	-	-
Landing feet outside the boundary		Χ	
A fall			Χ
Forbidden or immodest attire		Χ	
Markings on the floor or presence of a coach			X
Bases hand remains on the floor in hold following motion			
Failure to present at start or end of exercise		X	
Starting before or ending before/after the music		X	
Coaching from the side-lines Verbal or physical			Χ
Each hold of less than 3 secs on each static element		X	
Each time a gymnast steps over the boundary	X		
Each time the attire is adjusted or an accessory is lost	X		
Transitional deductions	0.1	0.3	0.5 +
Max 0.6 in or out of each element	0.1	0.5	0.5 1
Synchronicity	X	X	
Smoothness	X	X	
Security	Х	Х	



Acro Competition | Pairs level 1 - Pictorial & Score sheet

Lev	Level 1 - Select one option from the CR								
CR	A - V: 0.5	B - V: 0.5	C - V: 0.5	D - V: 0.5	E - V: 0.5	Flex - V: 0.5	Stand - V: 0.5	Agility - V: 0.5	
Option 1	时出	VV J	TI		HIM	Straddle sit	Front support	Forward roll to straddle sit or Forward roll straight jump	
Option 2		J b				Japana	Back support 2	Forward roll to stand or Backward roll straight jump	
Option 3		11	ゴ		1-11	Pike fold	Straddle sit with leg lift 2	Backward roll to straddle stand or Forward roll 180 jump	
Execution									
g	Partnership 0.5	Expression 0.5	Performance 0.5	Creativity 0.5	Musicality 0.5	SV/DV Total		Total Score	
Scoring						Execution Total			
S						Artistry Total			

Acro Competition | Pairs level 1 - Skills descriptions

Lev	vel 1 - Select one o	ption from the CF	R					
CR	A - V: 0.5	B - V: 0.5	C - V: 0.5	D - V: 0.5	E - V: 0.5	Flex - V: 0.5	Stand - V: 0.5	Agility - V: 0.5
Option 1	(i) Top supported at the waist in a balanced headstand with bent legs. (ii) Top supported at the waist in a balanced headstand with straight legs. Top in a balanced handstand with the Base providing minimal support on legs. Top in a balanced handstand with the Base providing minimal support at waist.	(i) The grip in the counterbalance can be hands or wrists but the Base and Top should have straight arms. The Top may face inwards or outwards. (ii) Top in an off-balance position supported on the middle/lower back by the Base's feet.	(i) Top in front support supported by the Base at the ankle. Base should have straight arms. (ii) Top in front support with feet/ ankles on the knees of the Base.	Base and Top should be back to back at the start, each com- pletes a full circle roll finishing where they started.	Top performs a straight jump supported on the forearms by the Base. The Base may release and re-catch but is not required to do so.	(i) Back straight, legs wide, toes pointed, arms free.	(i) Shoulders over hands, straight line from head to toe. Toes tucked under.	(i) Forward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The straddle sit is upright with a straight back. (ii) Forward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The jump should be straight and to 2 feet.
Option 2	Top in a balanced handstand with the Base providing minimal support on legs.	Top stands supported at waist on Base's thighs. The Top may face inwards or outwards.	Top in front support with hands on Base's legs. Base supports the Top's legs. Base should have straight arms.	Base in an arch hold, arm position optional. Top reaches both hands over the waist of the Base and forward rolls to stand.	Top forward rolls to a straight jump supported on the forearms by the Base. The Base may release and re-catch but is not required to do so.	(ii) Legs wide and straight with back of knees pressed to the floor, toes pointed, back and head in a straight line.	(ii) Fingers facing either away from or towards toes, hips lifted to give a straight body position from head to toe. Toes pointed.	(iii) Forward roll should be made from and finish on 2 feet, the hands touch the floor only at the start. (iv) Backward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The jump should be straight and to 2 feet.
Option 3	Top in a balanced handstand with the Base providing mini- mal support at waist.	Top in counterbalance on Base's thighs. Base may support the Top with one or two hands. The grip in the counterbalance can be hands or wrists but the Base and Top should have straight arms. The Top may face inwards or outwards.	Top in front support with hands on Base's knees. Base may support one or both legs of the Top with one or both hands. Base should have straight arms.	Base in dish hold, arm position optional. Top cartwheels over the waist of the Base, with one hand on either side. Cartwheel can finish either sideways or with a ¼ turn.	Top backward rolls to a straight jump supported at the waist by the Base. The Base may release and re-catch but is not required to do so.	(iii) Legs together and straight with back of knees pressed to the floor, toes pointed, back should remain as flat as possible.	(iii) In straddle sit position, hands on floor at or in front of the knees, legs are lifted clear of the floor. Legs should remain straight and extended.	(v) Backward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The straddle stand may be in pike or upright. (vi) Forward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The 180o straight jump should be



Acro Competition | Pairs Level 2 - Pictorial & Score sheet

Lev	Level 2 - Select one option from the CR								
CR	A - V: 0.5	B - V: 0.5	C - V: 0.5	D - V: 0.5	E - V: 0.5	Flex - V: 0.5	Stand - V: 0.5	Agility - V: 0.5	
Option 1		VV	ゴ		小野	Pike fold	Straddle sit with leg lift	Backward roll to straddle stand or Forward roll 180 jumps	
Option 2	**	MAN		XXX	*	Bridge	Shoulder stand	Forward roll to straddle stand or Backward roll to stand or Cartwheel chasse cartwheel	
Option 3	上社	į	T	打断	*	Any splits	One-foot stand	Backward roll with straight leg to stand or Forward roll straddle through to lie on front or Forward roll jump to 1 leg cartwheel.	
Execution									
5	Partnership 0.5	Expression 0.5	Performance 0.5	Creativity 0.5	Musicality 0.5	SV/DV Total		Total Score	
Scoring						Execution Total			
Sc						Artistry Total			

Acro Competition | Pairs level 2 - Skills descriptions

Lev	el 2 - Select one o	ption from the CR						
CR	A - V: 0.5	B - V: 0.5	C - V: 0.5	D - V: 0.5	E - V: 0.5	Flex - V: 0.5	Stand - V: 0.5	Agility - V: 0.5
Option 1	Top in a balanced handstand with the Base providing minimal support at waist.	Top in counterbalance on Base's thighs. Base may support the Top with one or two hands. The grip in the counterbalance can be hands or wrists but the Base and Top should have straight arms. The Top may face inwards or outwards.	Top in front support with hands on Base's knees. Base may support one or both legs of the Top with one or both hands. Base should have straight arms.	Base in dish hold, arm position optional. Top cartwheels over the waist of the Base, with one hand on either side. Cartwheel can finish either sideways or with a ¼ turn.	Top backward rolls to a straight jump supported at the waist by the Base. The Base may release and re-catch but is not required to do so.	(i) Legs together and straight with back of knees pressed to the floor, toes pointed, back should remain as flat as possible.	(i) In straddle sit position, hands on floor at or in front of the knees, legs are lifted clear of the floor. Legs should remain straight and extended.	(i) Backward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The straddle stand may be in pike or upright. (ii) Forward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The 1800 straight jump should be to 2 feet and completed before landing.
Option 2	Base supports the heel of the Top's straight leg in the stag handstand. The line of the Tops leg and Bases arm should be parallel to the floor.	(i) Top in counterbalance on Base's thighs. Base may support the Top with one or two hands. The grip in the counterbalance can be hands or wrists but the Base and Top should have straight arms. The Top may face inwards or outwards. (ii) Top stands on one foot on the thigh of the Base. The grip can be hands or wrists, but the Base and Top should have straight arms.	(i) Top in a supported front angel on Base's feet. Base supports Top by the hands, grip is optional. (ii) Top in a supported back angel on Base's feet.	Base supports the Top's waist throughout the cartwheel.	Top leapfrogs over the Base. Base may face either direction.	(ii) Shoulders pushed past the hands which are shoulder width apart and straight. Legs straight, feet flat on floor and legs together.	(ii) Shoulder stand should achieve a straight body line.	(iii) Forward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The straddle stand may be in pike or upright. (iv) Backward roll should be made from and finish on 2 feet, the hands touch the floor only at the start. The stand should be with feet together. (v) The tumble should be smooth and continuous without additional steps. Cartwheel can finish either sideways or with a ¼ turn.
Option 3	achieve a vertical position. (ii) Top in a supported	Top stands on the Base's thighs supported by the Base at the waist. The Top should not make contact with the Bases body.	Base supports Top by the arms/wrists, grip is optional. Legs of the Top in back angel can be either both together and straight or with one bent. Base lying down with Top in front angel on long arm support.	Base supports the Top at the waist for a straight jump. The hips of the Top should reach the Base's shoulder height as a minimum. The Base may release and re-catch the Top but is not required to do so.	Top jumps from two feet into the Base's arms. Jump can be from a run up or standing.			(vi) Backward roll should be made from and to 2 feet, the hands touch the floor only at the start. The legs should be straight throughout. (vii) Forward roll should be made from 2 feet and the hands touch the floor only at the start. The roll should pass through Japana without stopping. (viii) The tumble should be smooth and continuous without additional steps. Cartwheel can finish either sideways or with a ¼ turn.
Notes								



Loan Competitor | Qualifying Scores

Vault

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum -Vault							
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not							
included in t	his total. Singl	e gymnasts m	ust meet or e	xceed the tota	al per column		
DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate		
Level 1							
1.2	11.20	9.52	8.40	7.28	<7.28		
Level 2							
1.4	11.40	9.69	8.55	7.41	<7.41		
Level 3							
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80		
Level 4							
2.5	12.50	10.63	9.38	8.13	<8.13		
Level 5							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 6							
3.60	13.60	11.56	10.20	8.84	<8.84		

Floor

General Gym	General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Floor							
	Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not							
included in t	his total. Singl	e gymnasts m	ust meet or e	xceed the tota	al per column			
DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate			
Level 1								
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45			
Level 2								
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45			
Level 3								
3.5	13.50	11.48	10.13	8.78	<8.78			
Level 4								
4.0	14.00	11.90	10.50	9.10	<9.10			
Level 5								
4.0	14.00	11.90	10.50	9.10	<9.10			
Level 6	Level 6							
4.5	14.50	12.33	10.88	9.43	<9.43			

Asymmetric Bars

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Girls' Bars							
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not							
included in t	his total. Singl	e gymnasts m	ust meet or e	xceed the tota	al per column		
DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate		
Level 1							
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80		
Level 2							
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80		
Level 3							
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80		
Level 4							
2.5	12.50	10.63	9.38	8.13	<8.13		
Level 5							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 6							
3.5	13.50	11.48	10.13	8.78	<8.78		

Horizontal Bar

General Gym	General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Boys' Bars							
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not included in this total. Single gymnasts must meet or exceed the total per column								
DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate			
Level 1								
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80			
Level 2								
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80			
Level 3								
2.0	12.00	10.20	9.00	7.80	<7.80			
Level 4								
2.5	12.50	10.63	9.38	8.13	<8.13			
Level 5								
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45			
Level 6								
3.5	13.50	11.48	10.13	8.78	<8.78			



Loan Competitor | Qualifying Scores

Beam

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Beam							
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not							
included in t	his total. Singl	e gymnasts m	ust meet or e	xceed the tota	al per column		
DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate		
Level 1							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 2							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 3							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 4							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 5							
3.5	13.50	11.48	10.13	8.78	<8.78		
Level 6	Level 6						
4.0	14.00	11.90	10.50	9.10	<9.10		

P Bars

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - P Bars							
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not							
included in tl	his total. Singl	e gymnasts m	ust meet or e	xceed the tota	al per column		
DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate		
Level 1							
2.5	12.50	10.63	9.38	8.13	<8.13		
Level 2							
2.5	12.50	10.63	9.38	8.13	<8.13		
Level 3							
2.5	12.50	10.63	9.38	8.13	<8.13		
Level 4							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 5							
3.0	13.00	11.05	9.75	8.45	<8.45		
Level 6							
4.0	14.00	11.90	10.50	9.10	<9.10		

Tumble

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Tumble							
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not							
included in t	his total. Singl	e gymnasts m	ust meet or e	xceed the tota	ıl per column		
SV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate		
Level 1							
25.00	25.00	21.25	18.75	23.40	<23.40		
Level 2							
25.00	25.00	21.25	18.75	23.40	<23.40		
Level 3							
25.00	25.00	21.25	18.75	23.40	<23.40		
Level 4							
25.00	25.00	21.25	18.75	23.40	<23.40		
Level 5							
25.00	25.00	21.25	18.75	23.40	<23.40		
Level 6	Level 6						
25.00	25.00	21.25	18.75	23.40	<23.40		

Trampette

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Trampette								
Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are not								
included in this total. Single gymnasts must meet or exceed the total per column								
SV Min	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate			
Level 1								
32.50	32.50	27.63	24.38	21.13	< 21. <mark>13</mark>			
Level 2								
36.00	36.00	30.60	27.00	23.40	<23.40			
Level 3								
38.00	38.00	32.30	28.50	24.70	<24.70			
Level 4								
39.00	39.00	33.15	29.25	25.35	<25.35			
Level 5								
42.00	42.00	35.70	31.50	27.30	<27.30			
Level 6								
43.50	43.50	36.98	32.63	28.28	<28.28			



Acro

General Gymnastics Single Gymnast Medal Minimum - Acro Pairs

Percentages based on greatest possible DV in each level. Bonuses are
not included in this total. Single pair or group must meet or exceed the
total per column

DV	Total Score	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Certificate
Level 1					
6.0	16.0	13.6	12.00	10.4	<10.4
Level 2					
6.0	16.0	10.4	7.8	10.4	<10.4

1. Background

- 1.1. This policy sets out the over-arching principles and rules that are applied at Events organised by British Gymnastics, with regard to the Competition Attire worn by the Gymnasts taking part.
- 1.2. The existing rules are built on long-standing tradition and generally contained within the Code of Points of each discipline and are largely based on gender. Such gender based rules have been shown to lead to some participants feeling uncomfortable and in some cases has been cited as a reason for them leaving the sport.

2. Purpose

- 2.1. The policy is designed to modernise the rules and make the Competition Attire that Gymnasts can wear at Events more inclusive and accessible to all who wish to participate, irrespective of any of the protected characteristics (ie age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, maternity and pregnancy, race, religion, sex and sexual orientation).
- 2.2. This policy also aims to balance the need for accessibility and inclusion with the underlying need to maintain the safety of the Gymnasts and the integrity of the judging of their performances.

3. Scope

- 3.1. This policy is applicable to national level Events, eg British Championships and also those Events organised at a regional level that lead to a national final, eg NDP/Grades type competitions.
- 3.2. These rules are applicable in all disciplines, including Gymnastics For All Events.
- 3.3. These rules do not apply to events organised in the UK by British Gymnastics on behalf of the FIG/European Gymnastics, where their rules are applied.
- 3.4. These rules do not apply to events where the participants are representing Great Britain, where other rules may apply.
- 3.5. Affiliate and member organisations should adopt these or similar rules and are encouraged to do so, in relation to limiting the potential barriers to participation and remaining actively inclusive wherever possible.

4. Policy Statements

- 4.1.1. be safe for the level of the skills that they are performing. All Competition Attire must be in accordance with the advice set out with the British Gymnastics Health & Safety Guidance;
- 4.1.2. ensure that the integrity of the evaluation of their performance can be maintained:
- 4.1.3. be in keeping with the ethical and cultural standards upheld within the sport.
- 4.2. where principles 4.1.1, 4.1.2 and 4.1.3 are met, this policy supersedes any other rules/references that may be published in other discipline specific documents such as Codes of Points.
- 4.3. For the purposes of clarity, the gender specific rules in documents such as the Codes of Points, with the publication of this policy no longer apply specifically to each gender. All acceptable and permissible Competition Attire can be worn by any competitor, irrespective of gender identity. For example, shorts, leggings or gymnastic trousers or longs are acceptable Competition Attire in all disciplines, subject to them meeting the principles described in 4.1.1, 4.1.2 and 4.1.3.

4.4. Safety

- 4.4.1. Deviations from historically traditional forms of attire should be suitably assessed for the level of risk by the Lead Coach or Coach, with analysis focused on ensuring:
 - 4.4.1.1. the safety of the Gymnast;
 - 4.4.1.2. that the Competition Attire will not affect the judges' ability to accurately evaluate the Gymnast's performance and therefore not effect the fairness of the competition.
- 4.4.2. Gymnasts may wear alternative Competition Attire in accordance with their particular faith, belief or religion (including head coverings), with the proviso that the Lead Coach or Coach has assessed the risk associated with this and has taken any suitable mitigating action(s), where applicable, to ensure the highest standards of safety are upheld.

4.5. Authority

- 4.5.1. It is the responsibility of a Lead Coach or Coach to consider all implications associated with the Competition Attire. If planned Competition Attire deviates significantly from convention, it is recommended that the Lead Coach or Coach contact the Event Organiser in advance of the Event to discuss the individual circumstances, to ensure that both parties agree that the proposed Competition Attire is acceptable.
- 4.5.2. Whilst making every effort to reduce barriers and increase inclusion, British Gymnastics reserves the right to make the final determination of whether the



4.6. Competition Attire Guidance – Competitive Events

- 4.6.1. For competitive Events, Gymnasts must wear a suitably supportive, safe and appropriate non-transparent leotard or unitard (one-piece leotard, of full length, shoulder to ankle).
- 4.6.2. Gymnasts may wear form fitting complete leg coverings/tights/gymnastics trousers/longs (see Appendix 1 for examples of acceptable attire).
- 4.6.3. Gymnasts may wear gymnastics shorts (refer to Appendix 1 for examples of acceptable attire).
- 4.6.4. Gymnasts may wear alternative Competition Attire in accordance with their particular faith, belief or religion (including head coverings) with the proviso that the Lead Coach or Coach has assessed the risk associated with this and has taken any suitable mitigating action(s), where applicable, to ensure the highest standards of safety are upheld.

4.7. Competition Attire Guidance – Non-Competitive Events

- 4.7.1. For non-competitive, Gymnastics for All Events, Gymnasts can wear Competition Attire in line with the requirements of each Event (which may not require a leotard).
- 4.7.2. For festival display gymnastics, Gymnasts can wear costumes and do not have to wear leotards as long as their Competition Attire is safe for the skills being performed, does not restrict movement or obscure vision and is in keeping with the ethical and cultural values of gymnastics.

4.8. Competition Attire Guidance – Other Considerations

- 4.8.1. Advertising on Competition Attire must adhere to the British Gymnastics Advertising on Clothing & Competition Attire at Events Policy.
- 4.8.2. When representing a Club or Region, the wearing of GBR or Home Country Competition Attire at some British Gymnastics Events is strictly forbidden. Refer to the discipline and event specific Competition Handbooks for clarification and exemptions.
- 4.8.3. Strapping and taping a suitable colour of tape should be used, ie no bright colours or patterns.
- 4.8.4. The removal of leotards on the Field of Play is not allowed.

4.9. Infringements

4.9.1. In the event that clothing is worn that has not been authorised by the Competition Organiser that is deemed to be unsuitable, then penalties, as per

5. Definitions

5.1. Coach

5.1.1. is the Coach who is submitted in the online entry process and who is responsible for the Gymnast for the entire Event. This coach must have the relevant qualifications and British Gymnastics membership as defined in the eligibility section of the Competition Handbook. Refer to discipline specific Competition Handbook for further details.

5.2. Code of Points

5.2.1. The specific technical rules that are applicable to each discipline/Event.

5.3. Competition Attire

5.3.1. The singlet, leotard, unitard, shorts, leg covering, head covering etc worn by the Gymnasts during their performance (competition routine/display).

5.4. Events

5.4.1. Competitions or festival display type activities which are organised by or on behalf of British Gymnastics, where British Gymnastics membership and other specific rules are in force.

5.5. Field of Play

5.5.1. Location within the Event venue where the gymnasts perform their competition routine or display, usually in view of a spectating audience.

5.6. Gymnast

5.6.1. The person performing the routine (either competitive or non-competitive) within the Event. In the context of this policy, all of the Competition Attire requirements are applicable to all of those taking part, irrespective of their sex or genderreassignment.

5.7. Lead Coach

5.7.1. The Coach taking overall responsibility for all the Gymnasts from their club/region. The Lead Coach must be present in the competition arena throughout the Event to take responsibility for their Coaches and Gymnasts. The Lead Coach must possess sufficient qualification to cover all the skills that any of their Gymnasts will be performing within the competition. Refer to discipline specific Competition Handbook for further details.



6. Roles & Responsibilities

- 6.1. Compliance, Monitoring & Review
 - 6.1.1. The British Gymnastics Events Department, along with the discipline specific national Technical Committees will be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the policy.
 - 6.1.2. The policy will initially be reviewed after one year of implementation and thereafter, once every Olympic cycle, by the Events department in conjunction with:
 - British Gymnastics Integrity Department
 - British Gymnastics Technical Committees
 - British Gymnastics athlete representatives

7. Interdependencies & Related Policies

- 7.1. Discipline Specific British Gymnastics National Competition Handbooks
- 7.2. Discipline Specific FIG/European Gymnastics and British Gymnastics Codes of Points
- 7.3. British Gymnastics Health & Safety Guidance

8. Impact Assessments

- 8.1. An Equality Impact Assessment was undertaken for this Policy
- 8.2. A Data Impact Assessment was not required for this Policy

9. Procedures

- 9.1. All the Lead Coaches and Coaches at British Gymnastics Events, along with their clubs and regions should make themselves aware of the policy and ensure that the Gymnasts adhere to these rules.
- 9.2. In the case of doubt about the application of this Policy, Lead Coach, Coaches or their clubs/regions should seek specific guidance from British Gymnastics Events Department prior to the start of the Event, to help prevent problems arising and sanctions being applicable.

10. Appendices

10.1. Appendix 1 – Examples of acceptable and un-acceptable Competition Attire

10.1.1. Acceptable Shorts







10.1.2. Unsuitable shorts







10.1.3. Acceptable longs / leg coverings







10.1.4. Unacceptable leg coverings









10.1.5. Suitable Unitards







10.1.6. Unsuitable unitards (for competition routines)





10.1.7. Suitable Head Coverings

These must be risk assessed & fit for purpose given all safety considerations







10.1.8. Unsuitable Head Coverings







