

WA Men's State Awards

2017 changes are highlighted

Washington State will provide five awards each year: Optional Coaching Staff of the Year, Compulsory Coaching Staff of the Year, Coach of the Year, Judge of the year, and the Scott Morrow Service Award.

Optional Coaching Staff of the Year will be awarded to the coach or coaches of the team with the highest point total of all optional levels and age groups (levels 7-10) from the State Championship. The awards will be announced by email and posted on the state website as soon as the calculations are made after the Region 2 Championships. The State Chairman will prepare the plaques and awards to be presented at the state coach's meeting either at the state clinic or the state coach's and judge's retreat.

- **Requirements to be considered for Optional Coaching Staff of the Year:** Must be a current USAG Men's Professional Member. Each optional coach must be identified at the beginning of each season, and reported via email to the State Chairman.
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Compulsory Coaching Staff of the Year will be given as two separate awards: one for the large team division and one for the small team division. The award in each division will go to the coach or coaches of the team with the highest point total of all compulsory levels and age groups (level 4-6) from the State Championships. The awards will be announced by email and posted on the state website as soon as the calculations are made. The State Chairman will prepare the plaques and awards to be presented at the state coach's meeting either at the state clinic or the state coach's and judge's retreat.

- **Large teams and small teams will be divided as follows:**
 - The total number of compulsory gymnasts per team will be counted.
 - The teams will be ordered from most compulsory gymnasts to fewest.
 - The group will be split in half based on the number of compulsory gymnasts on each team, each year.
 - If there are an odd number of teams participating at the state meet, then the extra team will be placed in the small team division. (i.e. 19 teams total will yield 10 small teams and 9 large teams for that year)
 - If the two teams in the middle (i.e. the 10th and 11th team in a pool of 20 teams) have the same number of compulsory gymnasts, they will both be placed in the small team division.
- **Requirements to be considered for Compulsory Coaching Staff of the Year:** Must be a current USAG Men's Professional Member. Must coach any compulsory level (4-6) in training and competition throughout the season. Compulsory coaches must be identified by the head coach or program director of each club, and reported via email to the State Chairman at the beginning of the season.

Optional and Compulsory Coaching Staff of the Year Point System

Category 1

Level 4 (6yrs) Div I
Level 5 (7-8yrs) Div I
Level 6 (8-9yrs) Div I
Level 7 (10-11) Div I
Level 8 (11*-12yrs) JO/JE
Level 9 (13-14yrs) JO/JE
Level 10 (15-16yrs) JO/JE
Level 10 (17-18yrs) JO/JE
ALL TEAM PLACEMENTS

Category 2

Level 4 (6yrs) Div II
Level 4 (7-8yrs) Div I
Level 5 (7-8yrs) Div II
Level 5 (9-10yrs) Div I
Level 6 (8-9yrs) Div II
Level 6 (10-11yrs) Div I
Level 7 (10-11) Div II

Category 3

Level 4 (7-8yrs) Div II
Level 4 (9-10yrs) Div I
Level 5 (9-10yrs) Div II
Level 6 (10-11yrs) Div II
Level 7 (12+yrs) Div I
Jr Dev (12-14yrs)
Jr Dev (15-18yrs)

Category 4

Level 4 (9-10yrs) Div II
Level 4 (11+yrs) Div I
Level 5 (11+yrs) Div I
Level 6 (12+yrs) Div I
Level 7 (12+yrs) Div II

Category 5

Level 4 (11+yrs) Div II
Level 5 (11+yrs) Div II
Level 6 (12+yrs) Div II

Place	Points
1st	20
2nd	19
3rd	18
4th	17
5th	16
6th	15
7th	14
8th	13
9th	12
10th	11

Place	Points
1st	15
2nd	14
3rd	13
4th	12
5th	11
6th	10
7th	9
8th	8
9th	7
10th	6

Place	Points
1st	10
2nd	9
3rd	8
4th	7
5th	6
6th	5
7th	4
8th	3
9th	2
10th	1

Place	Points
1st	8
2nd	7
3rd	6
4th	5
5th	4
6th	3
7th	2
8th	1

Place	Points
1st	5
2nd	4
3rd	3
4th	2
5th	1

***More Point Options:** 5 points for every Junior Olympic national qualifier and 10 points for every Junior Elite national qualifier.

** When any age group is split, the older of the two ages will get one less point per placement.

*** If any group has fewer gymnasts than the awards listed, the highest point total will be divided by the amount of individuals (or teams) to define the point increment between the placements. (i.e. if there are only 5 level 7 teams, 1st place will receive 20 points, 2nd will receive 16 points, 3rd will receive 12 points, 4th will receive 8 points, and 5th will receive 4 points.)

Coach of the Year will be voted on by ballot, by the judges and coaches, at the conclusion of the State Championships. The ballots will be handed out at the beginning of the state meet and turned into the State Chairman at the conclusion of the final session. If a judge is absent and would like to vote, he or she must contact the State Chairman via email before the State Championship. Judges will have 10 points to award multiple coaches with a maximum of 5 votes per coach. Each coach will only vote for one coach to receive one point. Coaches may not vote for themselves. All points from the judges and coaches will be added together to decide the coach of the year. The State Chairman will prepare the plaque to be presented at the state coach's meeting either at the state clinic or the state coach's and judge's retreat.

- **Requirements to be considered for Coach of the Year:** Must be a current USAG Men's Professional Member at a club in Washington State.
- **Requirements to vote for Coach of the Year:** Must be a current USAG Men's Professional Member in Washington State.
- **Considerations when voting for Coach of the Year:** Professionalism while on the competition floor, technical excellence of his or her team, knowledge of the rules and requirements (this would be demonstrated by the lack of routine composition errors), participation at clinics, camps, or workshops throughout the year, etc...

Judge of the Year will be voted on by ballot, by the coaches, at the conclusion of the State Championships. The State Chairman will prepare the plaque to be presented at the state clinic or the state coach's and judge's retreat.

- **Requirements to be considered for Judge of the Year:** Certified Judge that resides in Washington. Must have judged three or more competitions held in Washington that season.
- **Requirements to vote for Judge of the Year:** Must be a current USAG Men's Professional Member and coach at a club in Washington. Only one vote per club.
- **Considerations when voting for Judge of the Year:** Professionalism while on the competition floor, consistency and accuracy, willingness to help and answer questions, contributions to online video analysis, etc...

The Scott Morrow Service Award will be voted on no later than one week (seven days) prior to the State Championships. The State Chairman will prepare the award to be presented at the state meet. This award may not be awarded every year as it will only go to a vote if the following requirements have been met:

- **Requirements to be considered for the Scott Morrow Service Award:** Anyone directly involved with men's gymnastics in Washington. One may only receive the Scott Morrow Service award once in their lifetime. At least two letters of recommendation must be submitted to the State Chairman for the executive committee to review.
 - (1) One letter must be from any current USAG Men's Professional Member or Certified Judge in Washington State.
 - (2) The other(s) must come from someone not directly related to the nominee's club or association.
 - (3) An individual is limited to making one nomination per year.
 - (4) The deadline for nominations will be the last day of February each year.
 - (5) Letters can be made anonymous, if the nominator so chooses.
 - (6) The letters will be reviewed by the state committee to determine if the nominee is qualified to receive the award.
 - (7) The nominees meeting the qualifications listed above will be made known on the state website, as they are approved, with their name, picture, and nomination letters posted.
- **Requirements to be eligible to vote for the Scott Morrow Service Award:** Must be a current USAG Men's Professional Member at a club in Washington, or a Certified Judge that resides in Washington.
- **Considerations when voting for the Scott Morrow Service Award:** The impact this person has had on men's gymnastics in the State of Washington for the year preceding the state meet. The impact this person has had on your life as a coach/judge/gym owner/mentor/parent/volunteer of men's gymnastics in Washington.