### 2021 – "NEW" GYMNASTICS JUDGE – NAWGJ-WA

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NAWGJ-WA Directory: Contact Information.p

#### Website Links:

#### NAWGJ

National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges – Promoting Judging Excellence (nawgj.org)

#### NAWGJ-WA

NAWGJ WA (wanawgj.com)

#### GymJAS

https://gymjas.com/wa/

ASSIGNMENTS - Google Doc (must login to NAWGJ-WA)

Judges Log In – NAWGJ WA (wanawgj.com)

USA Gymnastics (women's program)

USA Gymnastics

Membership Links

#### **USAG Membership site**

USA Gymnastics | Login

#### NAWGJ Membership site

National Association of Womens' Gymnastics Judges - Join Us (wildapricot.org)

New Judge Information Links

### **GOOGLE Classrooms to join (NAWGJ)**

Google Classrooms – National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges (nawgj.org)

### WASHINGTON STATE - Handbook, Becoming a Judge, and Symbols

New Judges – NAWGJ WA (wanawgj.com)

NAWGJ YouTube

National NAWGJ - YouTube

#### **Mentoring Information and Checklist**



Mentor-Information-Checklist.pdf

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## WHAT TO EXPECT AT YOUR FIRST GYMNASTICS MEET

When preparing for your first meet you will need to arrive 45 minutes ahead of scheduled march in time shown on your contract. If you are unfamiliar with the area, make sure to leave early and to be on time. Dress appropriately in your uniform.

Come prepared to judge, study the night before and know your deductions, practice judge on-line, and get a good night's rest.

Once at the meet site report to the judge's room. This is where you will meet your Chief Judge and have opportunities to ask any questions. Be open to conversations about technique, deductions and be ready to learn your shorthand.

If you have questions during the meet, please wait for the appropriate time to ask your Chief Judge. Do not talk to your Chief Judge during the routines. Do not share thoughts on the routine or talk to the helpers that sit between you and your Chief Judge about the gymnasts. Your first meet is a best time to watch, listen, and learn from your Chief Judge and fellow Judges.

# **PRACTICE JUDGING**

Practice judging plays a pivotal role in your judging experience. It is an ideal way to get a feel for what you will face at a meet without actually being a responsible party. It will ease your transition into "real judge" by taking a little of the mystery out of the situation while you familiarize yourself with the workings during a meet.

Practice judging must be at a level equal to or higher than your current rating for a minimum of 3 hours and be verified by the supervising judge.

Practice judging will require pre-approval from your USA Gymnastics State Chair or preferably the NAWGJ State Judging Director. For pre-approval, simply send an e-mail to the appropriate officer requesting permission.

Please note that practice judging will also require pre-approval from the Meet Director. Contact the Meet Referee for the event, who will inform the Meet Director directly. The practice judge should come prepared with all judging materials and wear the appropriate judging uniform.

Video practice judging will be recorded in hours and requires written verification from the supervising judge.

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## **ASSIGNING AND CONTRACTS**

The Assigning System is located at <u>gymjas.com</u> (Judge Assigning System). Create a Log in by following the "New user - register here" link. Provide your USA Gymnastics Professional Number and a login ID and password.

Go to 'Update your info' page and verify your information, including providing your expiration dates. Your information will be used to generate your contracts (if you do not update the information your contract will be incorrect).

Season Schedule and Meet Information Google Doc: Judges Log In – NAWGJ WA (wanawgj.com)

Enter your availability and locate meet information and the season schedule. After you have filled in your availability you MUST hit submit for the information to be saved. You can also indicate your meet preferences, though there is no guarantee that you will be assigned to it due to the needs of balancing the right levels of judges, requested judges and other factors. But where possible, your preference will be considered.

When the assignments are made, a "Create a Contract" button will appear on your Welcome Page. When you create the contract, it will automatically be generated and emailed for you. Your copy of the contract will show up in your email from <u>admin@gymjas.com</u>.

The SJD/Assigner will try to complete all judging assignments as early as possible in the competition season.

## **MEET PAYMENT AND REIMBURSEMENTS**

Judges are paid at the end of a competition according to an hourly wage based on your rating. In addition, you will be reimbursed for mileage to and from the meet site. You will need to bring a copy of MapQuest or similar document that shows your total miles. The host gymnastics club many times provides meals. However, some clubs choose to pay per diem for meals. Your Meet Referee at each meet will be responsible for calculating each judge's expenses and fees due.

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### WHAT'S IN MY JUDGING BAG?

Being prepared is of course directly related to your work as a gymnastics judge. Besides the pre-meet preparation, you need to make sure that you have all the necessary materials with you. This starts with selecting a good, durable judging bag, something that will hold everything but not be overly large. The fewer items you have to carry the better. Below are some suggestions for what to have in your judging bag.

- 1. Membership cards!
- 2. Technical Information keep these updated!!!!
  - a. Compulsory book
  - b. Compulsory and Optional Cheat sheets
  - c. Code of Points-including the Technical Handbook
  - d. USAG Rules and Policies
- 3. Judging Tools:
  - a. Notebook/paper/judging forms to notate the routines
  - b. Neutral Deduction flasher
  - c. Start Value flasher for Optionals
  - d. Pencils, pens, highlighter etc.
- 4. Personal Folder
  - a. Contracts
  - b. Calendar listing your assignments
  - c. Contact Information (phone #s etc. of clubs, judges, etc.)
  - d. Resume notecard listing all of your professional numbers and renewals dates (NAWGJ and USAG memberships, Safety certification, background check). Also list your hourly fee and the current mileage rate. This information will assist you in filling out the Judges Expense Voucher and the Sanction Report Form at meets.
  - e. CPE card
- 5. Personal Items
  - a. Tylenol, hand lotion, comb/brush, lipstick, hairspray etc.
  - b. Cell phones may in your bag but must be turned off during the meet!!