

USAG KANSAS

COVID-19 MEET PROTOCOLS

EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-2021 MEET SEASON

ATHLETES AND COACHES

- Athletes must wear mask into and out of the facility and in all common areas not on the competition floor (i.e. bathrooms) and maintain 6 ft of separation between any person on the floor not from their club
- Coaches must wear masks and maintain 6 ft of separation between any person on the floor not from their club
- All participants/parents must sign the USAG Kansas Wellness waiver to compete in meets in Kansas - Forms will be submitted to club and it is the club responsibility to collect and enforce.

SQUADS

- It is the meet director's responsibility to ensure:
 - Every effort is made to keep athletes in rotations by club
 - Teams with 4 or more athletes in the session must be in own squad
 - Teams with 3 or fewer athletes may be combined with another team with coach permission
- Additional recommendations (not required)
 - Consider scheduling competition by club (must check that clubs have adequate coaching staff)
 - Consider using continuous rotation meet format

VENDORS

- Must adhere to social distance guidelines
- Masks are required for all vendors
- Recommendations (not required)
 - Consider offering online or pre-ordering

JUDGES

- It is the meet director's responsibility to ensure:
 - Socially distanced tables
 - Individual Scoring devices
 - No volunteers at judges' table
 - Individual hotel rooms
 - Socially distanced meals
- Judges must wear masks
- Additional recommendations (not required)
 - Minimize paper handling
 - Discourage volunteers from sitting in chairs
 - Consider serving judges' meals at judges' tables

CLEANING

- Must have hand sanitizer available at each rotation
- Athletes are required to wash or sanitize hands before and after each rotation. After bars, gymnasts must wash hands.
- In between sessions, all table and shared items (ie chalk water bottles) must be sanitized
- Additional recommendations (not required)
 - Cleaning base mats in between sessions

SPECTATORS

- A maximum of 2 spectators per athlete may attend the session while adhering to social distance guidelines.
- Masks are required for all spectators ages 5 and up.
- No money may be exchanged at the door
- If seating is provided by meet host, designated spots must be marked.
- Recommendations (not required)
 - Consider adding a gate fee into your registration fee
 - Consider having spectators bring their own chairs for seating

MEET SPECIFICS

- No Athlete Cards
 - Consider using a draw/set athlete rotation
 - Consider having coach turn in a list of competitors by athlete number
- No paper rotation schedules for coaches - must post rotation schedules
- There must be a paper trail for score verification
 - Consider having judges fill out heat sheet
- March in presentation at events only - no formal march in allowed
 - Consider one national anthem in the morning
- Open Stretch space must be designated for individual teams to warm up based upon event you begin competing on
- Eliminate presentation to judges
- Seating for athletes
 - If providing seating for athletes, it must be cleaned in between sessions
- Athletes are required to rotate with personal belongings
 - Consider marking designated spots for athlete belongings and waiting areas
- It is recommended to rotate simultaneously
 - If using a continuous rotation, meet director providing a team holding area for event back up

CONCESSIONS

- It is required to designate an eating area to take of masks
- It is recommended to offer pre-packaged items only

HOSPITALITY

- All meals, snacks, and drinks must be pre-packaged and available to grab and go.
- If seating is provided it must adhere to social distancing guidelines.
- Coaches should not eat on the competitive floor
- If seating is provided it must be cleaned in between sessions.
- It is required to have hand sanitizing stations at food pick up stations.

REFUNDS

- Refunds must be given in the event of a meet cancellation. An expense report must be provided to all entered clubs.
- Refunds must be given for all un-expensed entry fees received.
- Participants that have COVID-19 or must quarantine due to COVID-19 are eligible for a minimum of a 25% refund with doctor's note.
 - It is encouraged to try to refund to the fullest extent the budget allows.

CAPACITY

- The number of athletes in a session is limited to the total number of athletes, coaches, judges and spectators that can be accommodated within the social distancing guidelines
 - Maximum number allowed in USAG R&P
- Out of state clubs must be emailed and accept the Kansas Guidelines
- The meet director must enforce quarantine for any banned state or area based on [KDHE list](#)
- Out of state judges must be emailed and accept the Kansas Guidelines

AWARDS

- No in person award ceremony. It is strongly recommended to provide one of the following.
 - Consider participation award
 - Consider recognizing 1st - 3rd place winners at last rotation
 - Consider virtual awards ceremony
 - Consider mailing awards based on placement
 - Consider ordering after meet to minimize pre-meet expenses
- All physical awards must be given to coach for distribution