

2005 Summer Regional, East/West & Nationals Memorandum



To: Interested Parties of USA Diving
From: Adam Soldati, Vice President, Junior Diving
Re: General Info for Summer Junior Regions, East/West and National Championships

**** MEET DIRECTORS: BELOW IS ONLY A SET OF GUIDELINES, PLEASE READ THE RULEBOOK AND ANY AMENDMENTS OF THE RULEBOOK THOROUGHLY.**

Medals and Banners must be ordered for all competitions. Find ordering information on USA Diving's website. Please hang banners for the duration of the competition in a very visible location!

General Information

1. Throughout the year, a diver may alternately choose to dive in their FINA-defined age group (i.e. their age on Dec. 31 of that year) or in their chronological age group, EXCEPT they must remain with their choice from the onset of the Regional Championships through the conclusion of the Junior National Championships of that year. If a diver's age changes during a competition, the age is the competitor's age on the last day of the National Championships (not their last day of participation). A diver must follow the FINA rule for age determination in order to be eligible for the selection to the U.S. team that will participate in the Junior Pan Am Games.
2. Competition in each age group will be conducted in accordance with Articles 22, 24 and 26 in USA Diving's Rule Book. Divers should refer to the rules pertaining to the order of dives, DD requirements and lists of permissible dives for each age group.
3. The deadline for diving sheets is 6:00 PM on the day prior to the event at Region and East/West Championships and 12 noon on the day prior to the event at the Junior National Championships. A fee of **\$15** may be assessed for those not meeting the sheet submission deadline. A diver may make a change to their diving list (dive number, position or order) at any time prior to the execution of the dive, without penalty. It remains the diver's responsibility to conform to the competition parameters, such as degree of difficulty limits or minimums, and to satisfy dive group requirements.
4. **EACH DIVER MUST HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION A CURRENT USA DIVING REGISTRATION NUMBER. COACHES MUST BE ON THE WEBSITE LIST OF CURRENT USA DIVING COACH MEMBERS TO BE ON THE POOL DECK. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY – IF UNREGISTERED DIVERS OR COACHES ARE ALLOWED ON DECK, ALL INSURANCE COVERAGE IS REVOKED FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS!**

Summer Junior Regionals

****REGIONAL MEET DIRECTORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FORWARDING ALL QUALIFIED DIVERS REGISTRATION FORMS TO THE EAST/WEST JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

1. Entry fee: **\$25**

Entry forms and fees must be postmarked at least 8 days before the first day of the Regional Championships. Entries received after this deadline will be assessed a **\$25** penalty fee payable to the meet host.

2. Meet directors should **NOT MAKE** cuts at Regional Championships. However, if the projected finish time of the meet runs past dark in outdoor pools or unreasonably late into the evening, or if an unusual delay prevents timely completion of the meet, meet directors may impose cuts in the 14-15 and 16-18 events according to the following procedure:
 - (1) After all optionals and two voluntaries, if more than 24 divers, or
 - (2) After all optionals, if 40 or more divers.There shall be no cuts in 11& under and 13 & under events.

Junior East/West Championships

****EAST/WEST CHAMPIONSHIP MEET DIRECTORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FORWARDING ALL QUALIFIED DIVERS REGISTRATION FORMS TO THE JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

1. Entry fee: **\$25**

Divers that qualify for the East/West Championships are automatically entered, but must pay an entry fee at the meet site.

2. The eligibility requirements for the East/West Junior Diving Summer Championships are as follows:
 - A. The top eight finishers in a springboard event in a Regional Championship who are U.S. citizens shall be eligible to compete in that event only at the East/West Summer Championship, provided the diver has competed a full list of dives and not failed two or more dives. NOTE: 11 & under is for Region Championships only. Divers must enter 13 & under, 14-15 or 16-18 to qualify for the East/West Championships.
 - B. Should one of the eight qualifiers from the Regional Championships be unable to participate in an East/West Summer Championships, the Regional Meet Director shall designate the next finalist in order of finish in that event to complete the eight qualifiers for that event. No diver who finishes below 12th place shall be eligible.
 - C. In the event of a tie for eighth place, nine divers may advance to an East/West Summer Championship, but only if all nine choose to compete. Finalists finishing below eighth place may only be designated as East/West Summer qualifiers to make up the full complement of eight qualifiers allocated to a Regional meet.
 - D. One male and one female diver per age group, registered and training in the states of Alaska and Hawaii may compete without attending a Regional Championship Meet. These divers must be designated by the Chair of their Association and submit their qualifications to the Junior Rules Subcommittee Chair no less than 30 days prior to the East/West Summer Championships.
 - E. Platform events at the East/West Championships: Those divers who do not qualify on springboard, but will be attending the East/West Championships for platform will need to register 8 days prior to the East/West Championships. For Platform events, the minimum total of degrees of difficulty for optional dives shall be:

(1) 13 & Under	6.4
(2) 14 – 15	9.6
(3) 16 – 18 girls	12.0
(4) 16 – 18 boys	15.0
 - F. Even though the summer regionals do not include qualifying events for platform competition, any diver who is a U.S. citizen may submit an entry to dive in the platform event at the East/West Summer Championships. A diver who competes in a regional competition is only eligible to compete in the East or West Summer Championship determined by the regional meet in which the diver participated. This restriction applies even if a diver fails to qualify for springboard competition from the regional meet to an East or West Summer Championship. Those divers who only dive platform and do not attend any Regional Championships may attend either East or West Summer Championships.

Junior National Championships

1. Entry fee: **\$25**

Divers that qualify for the Junior National Championships are automatically entered, but must pay an entry fee at the meet site.

2. The eligibility requirements for the Junior National Diving Championships are as follows: Any diver who is a U.S. citizen and meets one of the following standards for an event is eligible to compete in the Junior National Championships.
 - (1) From each East/West Summer Championship meet, the top **two** divers in each event shall qualify for the finals of the Junior National Championships in that event only.
 - (2) From each East/West Summer Championship met, divers who finish in places **three** through **twelve** shall qualify for the semi-finals of the Junior National Championships in that event only. The top **eight** finishers from the semi-finals will join the previously qualified finalists in finals.
 - (3) Should one of the qualifiers from the East/West Summer Championships be unable to participate in the U.S. Junior National Championships, the Meet Director of the East/West Summer Championship Meet shall contact the next finalist in order of finish in that event to complete the twelve qualifiers for that event. No diver who finishes below sixteenth place shall be considered.



USA Diving Official Entry Form - Summer 2005

Speedo National Junior Diving Championships

All parts of this entry form must be properly completed before the entry will be accepted.

Will you dive platform at East/West even if you do not qualify on springboard (check if yes)?

In signing below, I verify the events in which I am entered and that I am a registered amateur athlete according to the rules and regulations of USA Diving and that in consideration of your accepting this entry, I, intending to be legally-bound hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive any and all rights I may have against USA Diving, the Local Diving Committee, the Meet Sponsors, and my Diving Club or Team, their agents, representatives, successors, or assignees for any and all injuries to me in, on, or at said meet and premises.

I wish to be entered in the following competition: _____
Regional Championship, Region # _____
Entry Fees and Dive Sheets are to be submitted directly to the Regional Meet Director to avoid late fees.
 _____ Zone Championships, East- _____ West- _____ Platform Only- _____
 _____ Speedo National Junior Diving Championships

I wish to enter the following events (submit diving sheets with registration form – please attach dive sheets for each event):

9-under*	_____ 1M springboard	_____ 3M springboard	_____ Platform	(Note: Platform is an optional event at the summer region meets – not all region meets will conduct platform events)
11-under	_____ 1M springboard	_____ 3M springboard	_____ Platform	
12-13 years	_____ 1M springboard	_____ 3M springboard	_____ Platform	
14-15 years	_____ 1M springboard	_____ 3M springboard	_____ Platform	
16-18 years	_____ 1M springboard	_____ 3M springboard	_____ Platform	

*9-under and 11-under is for Regional meets only if offered by the Regional Meet. Divers must enter 13-U, 14-15 or 16-18 to qualify for the East/West Championships.

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Birthdate (MM/DD/YY) ____ / ____ / ____ Club / Affiliation _____

Permanent Home Address _____

City _____ - _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Current Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Sport Nationality: USA Other _____

Registration Number _____ Registered in _____ Association _____

A valid registration number must appear above. "Applied for," "pending," etc., are not acceptable. Entry forms without a valid registration number will be returned and the diver not entered in the meet.

Do you have a current *Club Coach*? If "yes," Name: _____ and Phone: _____

Do you have a current *College Coach*? If "yes," Name: _____ and Phone: _____

Did you compete in the 2004 Speedo National Diving Championships? Yes No
 If "yes", list coach at that time _____
 List place: 1-meter _____ 3-meter _____ Platform _____

Did you compete in the 2005 Spring Junior East/West National Diving Championships? Yes No
 If "yes", list coach at that time _____
 List place: 1-meter _____ 3-meter _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ as my entry fee for _____ events entered at **\$25** per event. All entries must be postmarked at least eight (8) days before the first day of competition. Late registration fee is \$25 and late sheet fee is \$15.

Make check payable to the meet director. Meet Information Sheets for each region are available at www.usadiving.org

Signature of Entrant (sign this form & Doping Control form) **Signature of Parent** (sign this form & Doping Control form)

Entry info: An entry is incomplete unless all information is properly filled out and a check for the above amount is enclosed. For your protection, the completed entry should be sent to the Meet Director by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.

[For Office Use Only]

Region and East/West Meet Directors: If this diver qualifies for the East/West Junior Championships or Speedo National Junior Championships, please send entry form to the appropriate meet director. Indicate which meet and events the diver qualified for below:

_____ East Junior Diving Championships	_____ 1-meter Springboard	Age Group _____
_____ West Junior Diving Championships	_____ 3-meter Springboard	
_____ Speedo National Junior Diving Championships	_____ Platform	

DOPING CONTROL PROGRAM

3/28/02 Update• Athletes are advised to call the USADA hotline #1-800-233-0393 for an accurate clarification of changes

USA Diving Code, ARTICLE 90 - Anti-Doping

690.1 United States Anti-Doping Agency Protocol Compliance

(a) **General.** As a member of National Governing Body of the U.S. Olympic Committee (“USOC”) and a member of FINA, United States Diving Inc. is obligated to adhere to the anti-doping rules of the USOC and FINA. In addition, USOC Bylaw Chapter XXIII, Section 2(G) provides that, as a condition of membership in the USOC, each National Governing Body shall comply with the procedures pertaining to drug testing and adjudication of related doping offenses of the independent anti-doping organization designated by the USOC to conduct drug testing. The USOC has designated the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (“USADA”) as that organization.

(b) **Athlete responsibilities.** It is the responsibility of the each athlete member of USA Diving to comply with the anti-doping rules of FINA, USOC and USADA. It is also the responsibility of each athlete member of USA Diving to submit without reservation or condition, to in-competition and out-of-competition doping controls conducted by either FINA or USADA. (Out-of competition testing of athletes may take place at elite-level camps, training sessions at USOC facilities, or at any other designated events. No advance notice testing of athletes may take place at any time for those athletes designated by USA Diving and USADA for inclusion in USA Diving’s no-advance-notice testing pool.)

(c) **Affectivity.** Pursuant to USOC Bylaws Chapter XXIII, Section 2(G), the management of positive and elevated test results (after Oct. 2, 2000) for United States Diving Inc.’s athletes have become the responsibility of USADA. Any inconsistent provisions elsewhere in this Code are hereby superseded. USA Diving without further process, enforce and publish any sanction communicated to USA Diving by USADA resulting from adjudication of a doping control under the USADA Protocol.

In signing below, I hereby give my consent to be tested at any time for banned substances in accordance with the rules of USD, USOC, and FINA.

Signature of Entrant

date ____/____/____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

date ____/____/____

If athlete is less than 21 years of age and a resident of Colo., Miss., or Penn, or less than 19 years of age and resident of Ala., Neb., or Wyoming, or less than 18 years of age and resident of any other state, then the parent or legal guardian must also sign above.