



Memorandum

To: Select State Association Executive Officers and State Gymnastics Administrators

From: Jan Adkins/Becky Oakes

Subject: Rules Book Correction

Date: August 11, 2014

Following the Girls Gymnastics Online Rules Interpreters Meeting, the NFHS Girls Gymnastics Rules Committee was convened, by way of email, to secure a rules interpretation presented online.

Please note the following correction to the rules book:

Page 30, Rule 7-3-6d, "Routine consisting of less than five elements that receive Value Part credit (must be listed in the rules book)...0.2"

Rationale for correction: The rules committee discussed the need to correct the unintended result of requiring 8 elements on each event. On bars, gymnasts were repeating one or two elements multiple times, resulting in low scores, just to meet the 8-element requirement. The committee's position was this was a contradiction to composition guidelines. To rectify this problem and assist the gymnast, the requirement was changed from 8 elements to 5. However, the issue of repetition was to be addressed by requiring the elements receive "Value Part credit" and that language was inadvertently omitted by the committee. To correct this error, the new phrase shall be added to Rule 7-3-6d.

Please share this information with your coaches and officials. The NFHS will also post on the NFHS website and under My Groups, Girls Gymnastics.

Please do not hesitate to contact Jan Adkins or Becky Oakes should you have any questions. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

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