

2007 IHSA Boy's Gymnastics Advisory Committee Proposals

VI. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND TIME SCHEDULE

A. Sectional Host

The IHSA Office will assign all schools entering the state series to one of five (5) Sectional complexes. On Tuesday, March 28 the IHSA will determine the five (5) Sectional hosts based on the seeding information provided. Ten (10) Sectional team assignments will be made based on the seeds determined by the IHSA. The assignments are as follows:

Sectional A:	Seeds 1, 10
Sectional B:	Seeds 2, 9
Sectional C:	Seeds 3,8
Sectional D:	Seeds 4,7
Sectional E:	Seeds 5,6

The five (5) highest seeded teams in the state will have the first option to host if its principal has signed the "Sectional Host Consent Form" agreeing to host. If the highest seeded team can not host, then the next highest seeded team in the assigned Sectional will host if its principal has signed the "Sectional Host Consent Form". After the first ten teams are assigned to a Sectional host the team and individual state series assignments will be determined by the IHSA according to geographic location.

VIII. TOURNAMENT RULES:

K. Substitutions

The Sectional and State Final Meet Managers shall hold a coaches meeting prior to the meet. Team substitutions and scratching competitor(s) will be made at this time. The head coach may also make changes in the order of performance for the team or individual competitors from a school. No changes or corrections in the competitors and order of performance shall be permitted following the coaches meeting except in the case of injury or illness as provided in these Terms and Conditions.

1) Team substitution prior to meet: Competitors who are substituted under the provisions in these Terms and Conditions may return to team competition in the state series if their team qualifies to advance. A team substitute's name must be included on the *List of Participants*.

2) Team substitutions during a meet: The coach must notify the Meet Referee of any such team substitution before the team begins its competition in an event. Substitutions in the line up shall be permitted in any event, provided the changes are made before the start of an individual event for that team provided the name of the substitute appears on the *List of Participants*. The substitution is made before the team begins its competition in an event, and no change is made in the order of performance.

3) Individual substitutions: No substitutions shall be made for ranked or at large individual qualifiers in any event.

IX. TOURNAMENT POLICIES

State Final Passes:

1. Team Qualifiers:

a). One pass for each team member listed on the *List of Participants*.

2. Individual Qualifiers:

b) Maximum of three passes for coaches provided they are listed on the Entry Form.

X. AWARDS

B. **State Final:** Individuals qualifying for the state finals shall be awarded a state qualifier pin. In addition, individual medallions shall be awarded to the winners of the top ten (10) places in each individual event and All-around and to the members of the first, second and third place teams. Duplicate individual awards will be presented in the event of unresolved ties.

C. Team Awards:

2) State Final: Trophies will be presented to the top three placing teams at the State Final Meet. In addition, twenty five (25) team medallions shall be presented to the top three placing teams at the State Final Meet. In addition, one Superintendent's, one Principal's and one Athletic Director's medallion for each of the top three teams will be awarded.

ENTRIES: NFHS Boys Gymnastics Rule 2, Sec.5, Art. 1, Note2.

Art. 1 A team shall be limited to a maximum of five entries per event.

NOTE 2: By state association adoption, one or more all around competitors may be required for a team to compete five gymnasts per event.

TEAM FORMAT: During the Sectional and State Final competition, teams will maintain their order throughout all six events. The previous format had teams flip their order after the first three events.

INQUIRY: The inquiry shall be submitted no later than five minutes after all scores are recorded in that rotation. The team competition moves very fast. Coaches need additional time to file an inquiry.

IHSA Rules Clarifications

(Email Sent from Kurt Gibson to Doug Foerch)
These are not new rules, just clarifications of the old rules.

Doug Wrote:

Are there any circumstances in which an athlete can practice and compete for a club and the high school at the same time? My understanding is that they may never practice with the club after the first 5 days of season. And if they are to compete at a meet, it needs to be a nationally sponsored meet with prior consent from the IHSA. How did I do?

To this email Kurt replied that he was right on.

Doug Wrote:

1. Can a coach take his team to a club to practice during the season? (Like over Spring Break)
2. Can an athlete compete in a club meet that qualifies them to the National meet? (Or do they need to be already qualified before the HS season)
3. How many athletes may be in the same private lesson and still be considered private?
4. Just one more on the private lessons. What constitutes a private lesson? What I mean is, if a HS gymnast wants to go to a club during the HS season for a private lesson, can there be 4 or maybe 5 other gymnast from the club practicing with him and still call this private?

Kurt's Reply:

- 1. The place for a practice isn't the big issue so a coach could take his team to a club. However, there couldn't be any other people there. I/O/W, the high school team couldn't be practicing when the club or club members are.*
- 2. An athlete couldn't compete in a club meet during the season. We have a rule that allows schools to request that a student be allowed to participate in an event that is sponsored and conducted by the national governing body of a sport, but a regular club meet wouldn't meet that standard, I wouldn't think. If a school makes such a request, though, they make that of our executive director, and I don't usually know of those.*
- 3. In a lesson, there can be no more than 2 students from any one school.*
- 4. A player can't work out with his club during the season. If he is taking a lesson, it needs to be apart from a time when the club team is practicing. Other students may participate in the lesson, so long as there are no more than 2 students from any one school in the lesson.*