

MEET RESPONSIBILITIES

Coaches and Divers

1. Dive sheets must be ready and at the scoring table at least 15 minutes before the start of the meet.
2. Divers may dive up an age group at the discretion of the coach.
3. The first dive of every diver must be a front dive (unless they are diving exhibition).
4. Each diver must have dives from at least 2 groups (dual meets only).
5. Front and back jumps have a DD of .8.
6. Coaches/parents may not talk to judges at any time. If they have a problem, they must go through the TDA Rep.
7. The diver is responsible for correction the announcer if the announcer announces the wrong dive before diving that particular dive (this includes position).
8. A diver may only change 1 dive after the start of the meet per meet as long as the DD is the same or less.

Scoring Table

1. Home team (not whether you are hosting) is responsible for providing an announcer and 3 table workers. The visiting team is to provide 3 table workers. Table workers consists of 1 of the following:
 - Announcer - Announces the diver, the dive and the degree of difficulty. Also announces the score following the dive.
 - Recorder - Writes down the scores that the announcer reads.
 - Slash and Add - Marks out the high and low score and adds the remaining three scores.
 - DD calculator - Multiplies the totaled score for the dive by the degree of difficulty.
 - Totaler - Records cumulative total of dive scores.
 - Math checker/sheet runner (this position can be deleted if needed) - Takes score sheets from the end of the table back to announcer.
 - Ribbon writer

Failure to provide the amount of table workers by any team will be reason for forfeit by that team.

2. Home team provides the ribbons.
3. Announcer: Remember if a balk is declared; as you read the scores, subtract 2 points from each score (and be sure that you announce that a balk has been declared).
4. Announcer: if diver “fails” a dive, please call it “incorrect” dive or just go onto the next diver.
5. Ribbon writers: please be sure to write Exhibition divers on the score/result sheets.
6. One copy of the score/result sheet must be sent to the secretary (Judy Bradyhouse) after the meet- this is the responsibility of the home team.

Judges/Referees

1. The referee must have attended one of this years' judging clinics.
2. The home team provides 2 judges and 1 referee, visiting team will provide 3 judges (referee may also be a judge if necessary).
3. If the correct amount of judges cannot be found; the amount of judges can be reduced (4 judges: slash high score only; 3 judges: no slash of high or low scores).
4. The referee must go over the main points of judging with all judges before the start of the meet. The following list should be mentioned (but not limited to):
 - Balks: score the dive as if the balk did not occur. Referee will declare a balk to the announcer and the announcer will subtract 2 points from each judges score as she/he reads them.
 - Please avoid cute points: Judge each dive accordingly- do not give unreasonable scores for 8 and under group. Give these kids something to work for. If they get 6's now, how are they going to feel when they only get 4's when they are 11-12. Age should not play a part of the judging process.
 - If a dive is failed, call it an "incomplete" dive no matter the age group. If an 8 and under does an incomplete dive, they may dive again, but no score will be given. Don't be afraid to call an "incomplete" dive. This is a fact of life, you would not score points in a basketball or soccer game if the ball did not go in when the child made the shot- so it is in diving.
 - If the referee does not fail a dive that a judge feels should have been failed, that judge is allowed to give a score of "0".
 - If the referee says no more that 2 points for a dive because of the following:
 - A dive that enters nearly but not completely flat
 - A dive clearly done in the wrong position
 - A dive where any part of the diver strikes the board
 - A dive that lands in a tuck or pike position (diver hasn't come out of the position when entering the water)
 - A twisting or non-twisting dive that twists 1/8 to 1/4 square
 - A coach helps the diver physically or verbally on the board
 - A twisting dive where part of the initial twisting takes place on the board

No judge may score higher than a "2". But this does not mean the diver should get a 2 unless the dive was otherwise perfect. We tend to give these kids 2's because we feel sorry for them. This also does not mean you can't- This seems to happen a lot with coach's assists. The diver must have done a perfect dive to get a "2". Think of it this way, is it fair to give the kid who does a poor dive by himself without failing a "2" and also give the kid who either had help from the coach or really "failed" the dive a "2". Let's try to let the best diver win.

TDA Reps

1. Home team is to provide water/soft drinks for judges and scoring table.
2. Home team warm-ups at 5:00 to 5:30.
Visiting team warm ups at 5:30 to 6:00.
Meet starts at 6:00.
3. If more than 10 divers in a group- drop to 3 dives each. Exhibition divers still exhibition.
4. If one team does not have any divers in an age group, you may also drop down to 3 dives each for that age group.