



WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL ELITE COMMITTEE MEETING
April 14, 2026

Roll Call

IECC	Kittia Carpenter
IEC Representative	Marnie Futch
IEC Representative	Jess Graba
IEC Representative	Cale Robinson
IEC Representative	Rachael Gardner (non-voting)
IEC Athlete Representative	Jessie DeZiel
HPSL	Alicia Quinn (non-voting)
HPTL	Chellsie Memmel (non-voting)
HPDL	Betty Okino Benson (non-voting)
VP Women's Program	Annie Heffernon (non-voting)

- A. 2027 Elite Compulsory – The Balance Beam video posted on the USA Gymnastics website will be updated to reflect the A-value mount requirement.
- B. Discussed the Youth Olympic Games.
- C. The 2026 World Selection Procedures are posted on the [USA Gymnastics website](#).
- D. Recommendation to award the following 2027 Elite National Qualifiers. Additional winter qualifiers may be added as needed. Spring Elite National Qualifiers bid requests will be sent out the week of January 4, 2027.
1. January 22-24, 2027 - Vegas Cup, Las Vegas, NV
 2. February 4-7, 2027 – Metroplex Challenge, Fort Worth, TX
 3. February 12-14, 2027 - Rochester Classic, Rochester, NY
 4. February 25-28, 2027 – Kentucky Winter Classic, Louisville, KY
- Motion: Jess Graba
Second: Cale Robinson
Recused: Marnie Futch
Passed
- E. Recommendation that scores achieved by athletes at the May National Team Selection Event may be utilized to qualify to 2026 U.S. Championships.
- Motion: Jess Graba
Second: Jessie DeZiel
Passed
- F. Matting Specifications for the May National Team Selection Event are as follows.
1. FIG equipment specifications will be used for the International Level competitors with some adjustments.
 2. In addition to the 20 cm of matting in the dismount areas, an additional 10 cm of matting must be used and NOT moved.



3. For beam, there will be a designated dismount area which cannot be changed.
 4. Supplemental Matting
 - a. Vault – landing surface will be into the resi with 20 cm mats plus the 10 cm mat at competition height.
 - b. Bars
 - Senior and Junior International Level athletes may use a skill cushion (maximum thickness of 8"/20 cm) in addition to the 20 cm (-2 cm tolerance) competition landing mat for release elements. Matting must be removed after the release move.
 - Senior and Junior International Level athletes may place a manufactured sting or 10 cm mat under the bars during competition in addition to the 20 cm base mat. This matting cannot be moved or placed on top of the 10 cm landing mat.
 - c. Beam – The dismount must be performed onto competition matting on the hard surface. No supplemental matting.
 - d. Floor
 - Up to two of either manufactured sting mats or 10 cm mats are allowed to be placed separately on the Floor Exercise area. Whenever additional matting is placed on the Floor Exercise area and covers any portion of the boundary line(s), the mat must be clearly marked with tape or chalk to indicate the actual boundary line(s). Mats can be removed or left in place. **Note:** Floor matting must be placed prior to the floor routine starting. A mat cannot be added once the routine has started.
 5. Manufactured 100 x 120 cm Round Off Entry mats are required for use in front of the vaulting board for hand placement on Round off entry vaults.
 6. Uneven Bars heights may not be raised above or lowered from FIG specifications. The spread of the uneven bars should be 181 +/- 1 cm. Bars will be marked and a 0.50 deduction will be taken for any gymnast working beyond specifications.
 7. Bar height increases are allowed in the following case in line with FIG rules:
 - a. Height increases of 5 cm shall be allowed in competitions for gymnasts who touch the mat with their feet during the exercise. This must be announced to the organizers at the time of the entry and verified by the designated judge (Meet referee) during the training/warm-up. Equipment suppliers / organizers must provide trained staff for a safe, fast and competent height increment if necessary.
 - b. At the increased height the inner diagonal distance between the bars shall be not more than 182 max, +/- 1.0 cm
 8. For Junior, and Senior level athletes, there will be two spring board configurations used at Vault – Spieth – Five springs (2-1-2) and Spieth – 8 springs (3-3-2). Beam and Bars will use only one board (soft). Springs may not be moved or replaced.
- G. Additional athletes were invited to the May National Team Selection Event based on performances at the 2026 National Qualifiers, the 2026 Winter Cup, and the 2026 April National Team Camp.
- H. Regarding placement on the National Team from the May National Team Selection Event:
1. Junior athletes - The athlete must achieve a minimum All-Around score of 48.50 to be eligible for consideration for placement on the National Team. Achieving the minimum score does not guarantee placement on the National Team.



2. Senior athletes - The athlete must achieve a minimum All-Around score of 51.50 to be eligible for consideration for placement on the National Team. Achieving the minimum score does not guarantee placement on the National Team.

Adjourned.