

## JORTD Job Description

The Junior Olympic Regional Technical Director (JORTD) role is the primary point of contact within each Region to facilitate communication between the NGJA and local/regional judges, coaches, meet hosts, and other community members regarding judging issues and rule interpretations. Those responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Be familiar with the current USA Gymnastics Program Rules and Policies concerning all aspects of the Junior Olympic Program.
2. Act as the liaison between the NGJA and the JO State and Regional Chairman of your respective JO Regions. This includes, but is not limited to, the coordination with these Chairs for their input in the selection of judges for State, Regional, and JO National Championships. These volunteer Chairs should have input into such selections.
3. Act as the Meet Referee, or be involved in the selection of the Meet Referee, for State and Regional Championships. Help the State and Regional Directors (or directors of those competitions) follow the guidelines set forth by the JOPC and USA Gymnastics Rules and Policies.
4. Be aware of and follow the proper procedures to raise questions and provide answers to all JO Technical concerns. Questions should be directed to the JOVP who will be in direct communication with the JONAL, the Age Group Competition Committee (AGCC), and the Junior Olympic Program Committee (JOPC). *No interpretation is official until it has gone through this procedure and subsequently published by the AGCC in an official JO Update and/or in either the USAG Website or other official approved Technical publication.*
5. When asked by the JOVP, to submit candidates' names for assignments such as (i) JO Nationals, (ii) JO National Apparatus (JONAL) positions, and (iii) other prominent national or international assignments. The JORTD may also be asked to assist the JOVP, NGJA, or other Committees in selection procedures as requested.
6. Work with the JOVP and other NGJA members to assist in the development of Course Material and for the JO Program.
7. Work with the State and Regional Chairs to attend and provide officials for the State and Regional Future Stars events and competitions.
8. Support the State and Regional Chairs in arranging, staffing, and/or participating in JO Program courses/clinics.
9. Provide reports deemed necessary by the JOVP or State and/or Regional Chairs upon request.
10. Support and manage a Regional Apparatus Leader program or similar system to develop judges and provide more experience and visibility within the Region.
11. Provide open communication to the JOVP and NGJA on any issues that arise in your Region, or any opportunities to promote gymnastics in your community.

## JORTD Candidate Requirements

The JORTD role requires experienced officials with strong skills in communication, negotiation, organization, and collaboration. The JORTD deals with gymnastics community members from new to veteran coaches, local to National USAG gymnastics staff/volunteers, and small

competitions up to Regional Championships. Given these needs, the JORTD should have the following experience:

- At least 5 years of recent judging experience.
- A track record of progression and experience judging local meets, prominent meets in the Region/nation, to Junior Olympic National Championships, and National Future Stars.
- Experience leading, organizing, and participating in local judging courses, clinics, and testing events. Consultations to local clubs and participating in club, State, and Regional clinics also a plus.
- Demonstrated experience as a Meet Referee or Technical Director that encompasses tasks such as: running of technical meetings, organization of technical notes, attending coaches competition meetings, selecting/assigning judges, managing panels of judges, resolving score inquiries, submitting post-competition reports, and strong communication with coaches, meet hosts, and other staff.
- Demonstrated experience as a leader, officer, and volunteer in their local or regional judging association and/or men's gymnastics association.
- Experience in mentoring new judges and teaching judging courses a strong plus.
- Experience as a JO National Apparatus Leader (JONAL) a strong plus.