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## LEVEL 4, 5, AND 6 CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFICATION PROTOCOL

### QUALIFICATION TO ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR LEVELS 4 AND 5

- Level 4 and 5 Gymnasts must qualify to Zone Championships as indicated on the chart below:

	LEVEL 4 QUALIFICATION SCORE	LEVEL 5 QUALIFICATION SCORE
ZONE 1	33.00	32.00
ZONE 2	All Level 4 Gymnasts	29.00
ZONE 3	31.00	31.00
ZONE 4	32.00	32.00
ZONE 5	30.00	30.00
ZONE 6	30.00	30.00
ZONE 7	31.00	31.00
ZONE 8	Top 72	Top 72

### QUALIFICATION TO LEVEL 4 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Level 4 State Championships will be split into North (Zones 1-4) and South (Zones 5-8) sections.
- Gymnasts must qualify to State Championships with a minimum 34.00 All Around score at a meet held in Region 1 during the current competitive season.

### QUALIFICATION TO LEVEL 5 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Gymnasts must qualify to State Championships through competition at their respective Zone Championships. The number of gymnasts who might qualify to State Championships from each zone is determined by a Percentage Formula, based on the distribution of higher scores among the eight zones. That is, each Zone is represented by the strength of its gymnasts' scores through the competitive season, and not simply an evenly divided allotment by geographical area.

The Percentage Formula is determined by the total number of gymnasts in Northern California who have scored 32.00 All-around or higher during the competitive season,

divided by the total from each of the eight zones. This percentage is then applied to the maximum number of gymnasts allowed at State Championships. The result is the Allotment of State Qualifiers for that particular zone.

- For Level Five State Championships, the maximum number is 320, plus score exceptions.
- Gymnasts must achieve a minimum score of 32.00 All Around at Zone Championships to qualify.
- Score Exception: additionally, any gymnast who scores at least 34.00 in the All-Around at Zone Championships, and places outside the Zone Allotment, will automatically qualify to her respective State Championships.

#### QUALIFICATION TO LEVEL 6 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Gymnasts must qualify to State Championships with a minimum 33.00 All Around score at a meet held in Region 1 during the current competitive season.
- Should there be fewer than 300 qualifiers, additional qualifiers, as determined by the ranking kept by the Master Scorekeeper, may be added to complete the field of 300.

#### RECOGNITION OF STATE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIERS

- At Zone Championships, all gymnasts qualifying to State Championships should be recognized in a separate presentation from the top All-Around results.
- *Award ceremonies can be the highlight of a gymnast's season, and a lasting memory that can affect her career and experience. Due to the nature of the qualification process, there will likely be situations where the vast majority of the Zone Championship competitors may qualify to State Championships. In consideration of those few who might not qualify, Zone Championship Hosts should announce State Qualifiers by age group.*