



Clarification regarding hand placement mats for round off entry vaults

In the minutes from the JO Committee meeting in May, they had indicated two specific dimensions would be allowed for RO entry mats. We have since discovered that some companies have produced mats that fit neither of those dimensions, so we are changing the wording on page 79, #3, a., 2. See the following:

3. Jr. Olympic-all levels: An additional mat may be placed on the runway (**but not on the board**) for any vault, provided that it is manufactured by a gymnastics equipment company and does not exceed 2 inches in height.

a. Effective August 1, 2006: Only the following options for Round-off entry (hand placement) mats are allowed at sanctioned Level 8 and above meets:

1) ***Sting mat (1 m x 2 m; maximum of 2 inches in height) must be supplied by Meet Director.***

2) ***Manufactured Round-off entry mat(s) may also be used; however, at East/West & JO National Championships, only the Round-off entry mats manufactured by the equipment company that is supplying the apparatus will be allowed. Clubs may not bring their own mats.***

3) ***If the Meet Director cannot supply the abovementioned Round-off entry mats, they may allow clubs to bring their own, provided the mat meets the criteria as stated above.***

b. By August 1, 2007, all Meet Directors of Level 8 and above competitions MUST provide a minimum of one manufactured Round-off entry mat (size to be determined). Sting mats will no longer be allowed for use as a Round-off entry mat for vault.