



STATE AND REGIONAL CHAIRS, TOPS STATE MANAGERS

GENERAL INFO

1. To participate in the TOPS program, an athlete must have achieved a minimum score of 36.00 in a Level 3 or higher USAG sanctioned event in the past or current season.
2. Skills testing eligible athletes can be found [HERE](#). These athletes will be allowed to participate in the skills testing phase from January - April at invitational competitions.
3. Meet directors **MUST** request permission from their [respective State Chair \(SACC\)](#), who will work in conjunction with the State Administrative Committee to approve or deny requests.
 - [Click here for the request form.](#)
 - SACC'S are responsible for adding sanction information to the [online TOPS sanction list](#).
4. All TOPS session(s) must be a separate sanction outside of the invitational sanction. This will allow clubs to have their athletes compete in their respective Dev or Xcel level, but also to test TOPS (sanctions will not let an athlete be designated for two different levels).
 - Meet Directors must complete each step to set-up a new sanction, but **do not** submit payment.
 - Once you get to the shopping cart, send an email to Christy Naik at cnaik@usagym.org. The office will then take control of that cart to complete the sanction.
5. Registration fee for TOPS participation in the skills testing portion = \$75/athlete per meet entered. Collection of this fee is the Meet Director's responsibility, and the entry is paid to the host of the competition.
6. TOPS athletes may participate with other Development program levels at the same competition. It is **NOT** a requirement to have a TOPS only session.
7. Judges for the TOPS session are required to complete the TOPS judges' certification course to be eligible to judge any TOPS sessions. Verification of this information can be found on the [current judges list](#). Competition assignors will need to verify that all assigned officials have obtained this rating BEFORE being assigned to any TOPS session.
8. Meet Directors to send TOPS session results to Christy Naik (cnaik@usagym.org) and CC your respective State Chair and TOPS State Manager no later than 7 days after the completion of the event.

NATIONAL TOPS TESTING

1. Once skills testing is complete in April, athletes will be ranked accordingly and invited to participate in National TOPS Testing in Houston, TX. Check the [current calendar](#) on the USA Gym website for dates.
 - Athletes will test physical abilities and skills at National TOPS Testing.



TOPS A & B CAMP

1. TOPS A and TOPS B team will be determined, and invitations sent within 7-10 days upon completion of National TOPS Testing.