

PRESIDENTIAL CLASSIC COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q: Do you accept a deposit to hold our spots in the meet?

A: No, we do not accept deposits to hold spots. Registration must be paid in full to secure participation. Registering well in advance of the Entry Deadline is strongly advised.

Q: When is the full refund scratch deadline?

A: The full, 100% refund scratch deadline is September 30, 2024. This is also the standard entry deadline date for the competition.

Q: Who should I contact if I am having trouble with the USA Competitions online registration process?

A: Email <u>info@usacompetitions.com</u> for any challenges concerning online registration.

Q: <u>How do I change a meet entry (scratch, substitution, level change, spelling or birth date change)</u> after it has been processed through the USA Competitions online registration system?

A: Make changes via USA Gymnastics' Meet Reservations. Once Meet Reservations closes, please contact <u>info@usacompetitions.com</u> directly to make changes, or to verify receipt of any roster changes. *Foreign clubs make changes by contacting <u>info@usacompetitions.com</u> directly.

After Tue., January 14, 2025, pre-event roster changes will no longer be processed. Substitutions will no longer be accepted. No further entries will be processed, and scratches should be reported at the coaches meeting on site.

Interested in adding an athlete after January 14th? Contact <u>info@usacompetitions.com</u> to inquire if there is availability to add the athlete on event day, at the competition venue.

Q: <u>Must a visiting foreign club have a USA Gymnastics membership number before registering for the competition</u>?

A: A foreign club may register athletes for the competition before applying for USA Gymnastics membership. However, memberships should be applied for well in advance of event weekend, to guarantee that the club (and Meet Director) receive the *required* member numbers prior to the competition date. Here is a link to USA Gymnastics' membership application forms. Membership registration for the competitive year opens on August 1, 2024. Follow instructions on the form for submission to USA Gymnastics. Do Not send the form to the Meet Director.

Q: When will our club receive a refund for scratched/injured athletes?

A: Refunds are issued after the January 14, 2025, injury scratch deadline for the competition passes. This is done because additional changes to your roster before a deadline may affect the amount of refund to be issued to your club.

Q: <u>If our club has a refund pending, may we apply that amount towards an addition to our meet roster?</u> How is that done?

A: Yes, a credit balance (pending refund) may be applied toward a new entry. This is done (before January 14, 2025) by emailing <u>info@usacompetitions.com</u> directly, rather than registering the new athlete via our online registration system. Athletes may also be substituted via Meet Reservations (domestic clubs).

Q: <u>Do you have an idea of the Presidential Classic schedule (what days levels compete)?</u>

A: Level 10 Women may begin on Friday and will compete all day Saturday. Level 9 Women will likely compete on Friday & Saturday. For Women's levels 1-8 and Xcel, we cannot predict at this time. All Men's levels will compete on Friday.

December 15, 2024 is the release date for the Presidential Classic final schedule.

Coaches may email <u>info@usacompetitions.com</u> with schedule requests/preferences. We make every attempt to honor requests wherever the schedule permits

Q: How does Team competition work? Is it required?

A: Team competition is voluntary and awarded by level every session. Exception; Level 10 Women may be awarded after the last level 10 session (due to large team splits). To enter the Team competition, you must have a minimum of 3 athletes at the level you wish to enter. Top five teams are awarded.

Q: How do you divide the athletes for awards?

A: On competition day (after scratches), athletes in each session are divided by birth dates into small awards groups within their level. On individual events, 50% + 1 places are awarded. In the All Around, 100% of the athletes are awarded.

Q: <u>How is the event weekend final schedule & information communicated to clubs</u>?

A: The event weekend finalized information and schedule link will be posted December 15, 2024 on the Presidential Classic page at www.presidentialclassic.com. A notice of the posting will be emailed to participating clubs. Athlete rosters will be posted (*minus birthdates*) once all USA Gym memberships have been verified.

Q: How can we be sure our attending coaches are included on the Check-In list for credentials?

A: For coaches to be included on the meet check-in list, they must be entered into USA Gym Meet Reservations for the event. Coaches without verifiable Pro member status will be allowed entry via spectator admission and will not have access to the competition floor. Please also email all attending coaches' cell phone numbers and email addresses to info@usacompetitions.com so that we can directly communicate vital and pertinent event weekend procedures.

Q: What do you provide for Coaches Hospitality?

A: Coffee, tea and cooler water will be provided throughout the event. Bring a refillable sport bottle! Concession vouchers that may be used for meals at coaches' convenience will also be provided at check-in.

Q: <u>Is there a local gym where our team can train before the event, or will the competition venue be available for pre-event workouts?</u>

A: The venue is not available for pre-event training. We are unable to recommend a local Orlando club, as our event is so large, it would be an overwhelming imposition to the very few clubs within driving distance to the meet.

Q: <u>How long after a session ends do the awards ceremonies take place? Do we have to return for team awards?</u>

A: Awards, both individual and team, take place within 15 minutes of the end of each session. There is no need to return to the awards area after the session ceremony is over (exception, Women's Level 10 Team awarded following final Level 10 session on Saturday).

Q: Will rotations sheets be available in advance of the meet and on event weekend?

A: Rotation sheets will be posted online the week prior to the competition at www.rotationsheets.com .

Please download and print a copy of the rotation schedule or take a screenshot with your phone. Rotations sheet will also be posted at each music table for coaches to take a screenshot of.

Q: How soon should we book our hotel reservations?

A: We encourage you to make your reservations as soon as the host hotel information link is posted on our website at www.presidentialclassic.com. Tell them you are participating in the Presidential Classic!