

An updated National Qualifying Score (NQS) proposal was submitted to the Women's Collegiate Gymnastics Association (WCGA) on March 27, 2024, with a recommended effective date of January 1, 2026 (Proposal 2024.I.11).

The proposal was made with the goal of providing a more accurate reflection of team performance throughout the season by incorporating more meets into the NQS, ensuring a more complete and fair representation of each team's success over the course of the full season.

Specifics of the proposal, which was passed by the WCGA during its May 2024 convention and forwarded to the NCAA Women's Gymnastics Committee for subsequent approval, are as follows:

- The minimum number of meets remains at 9.
- A minimum of five (5) away meets are required.
 - o All away scores count towards NQS.
- A maximum of five (5) home meets are counted towards NQS.
 - o If a team competes in more than five (5) home meets, the highest scores beyond five will automatically be dropped.
 - o For example, if a team has seven (7) home meets, the two highest home scores will be dropped, and the remaining five will count towards NQS.

The NQS will be calculated by:

- 1. Identifying the home scores [max of five (5) home meets].
- 2. Ordering the home and away scores in descending order from highest to lowest.
- 3. Dropping the highest and lowest scores.
- 4. Confirming five (5) away meet scores.
- 5. Averaging the remaining scores.

Implementation of the NQS formula on Road to Nationals will follow the schedule noted below:

- Weeks 1-6: Straight NQS average, with a maximum of five (5) home meets.
- Weeks 7+: NQS average, with a maximum of five (5) home meets, dropping the high and low scores.
- Following Conference Championships: Implementation of new NQS formula for Postseason Qualifications/Selections.

The Individual NQS formula will not change with this adjustment to the team NQS formula. Individual NQS will continue to be calculated by taking the three (3) highest away scores, the three (3) highest home scores, dropping the highest score, and averaging the remaining five (5) scores.

Step-by-step examples of the application of the NOS formula can be found on the following pages.

Scenario 1: Calculating NQS with 5 Home & 7 Away Scores

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Competition	Score	Home/Away	Step 1: Iden	ntify the Hom	e Scores (Max	5):	Step 2: Order the	Home & Aw	ay Scores:	
1	196.000	Н	With 5 Home N	Meets: Count All	Scores		List the Home & Away	Scores in Desc	ending Order from	n Highest to Lo
2	196.100	Α		1	196.800	Н		1	197.100	Α
3	196.200	Н		2	196.600	Н		2	197.000	Α
4	196.300	Α		3	196.400	Н		3	196.900	Α
5	196.400	н		4	196.200	Н		4	196.800	Н
6	196.500	Α		5	196.000	Н		5	196.700	Α
7	196.600	Н					<u>-</u> '	6	196.600	Н
8	196.700	Α						7	196.500	Α
9	196.800	Н						8	196.400	Н
10	196.900	Α						9	196.300	Α
11	197.000	Н						10	196.200	Н
								11	196.100	Α
Conference	197.100	Α						12	196.000	Н

Home & Aw	ay Scores:		Step 3: Dro	p the Highes	st & Lowest S	cores:
Scores in Desc	cending Order from	n Highest to Lo	vest This Removes	Potential Outlie	er Performances (High & Low)
1	197.100	Α		1	197.100	Α
2	197.000	Α		2	197.000	Α
3	196.900	Α		3	196.900	Α
4	196.800	Н		4	196.800	Н
5	196.700	Α		5	196.700	Α
6	196.600	Н		6	196.600	Н
7	196.500	Α		7	196.500	Α
8	196.400	Н		8	196.400	Н
9	196.300	Α		9	196.300	Α
10	196.200	Н		10	196.200	Н
11	196.100	Α		11	196.100	Α
12	196.000	Н		12	196.000	Н

Step 4: Confirm 5 /	Away Meets:	:		Step 5: Ave	rage the Rei	maining Scores	s:
eams Must Compete in	a Minimum of	5 Away Meets to	be Eligible for	N(The Average of	These 10 Sco	res Calculates the	NQS
	1	197.100	Α		1	197.000	Α
	2	197.000	Α		2	196.900	Α
	3	196.900	Α		3	196.800	Н
	4	196.700	Α		4	196.700	Α
	5	196.500	Α		5	196.600	Н
	6	196.300	Α		6	196.500	Α
	7	196.100	Α		7	196.400	Н
_		_		•	8	196.300	Α
lin 5 Away Meets	Yes				9	196.200	Н
		,			10	196.100	Α

Comparison: Former NQS Calculation: 6 Highest Scores; Minimum 3 Away; Drop the High 197.000 196.900 196.800 196.700 196.600

Final NQS: 196.550

Proposed NQS Calcuation for Postseason

Final NQS: 196.550 Proposed NQS Calcuation for Postseason Former NQS: 196.850 Former NQS Calculation

Scenario 2: Calculating NQS with 6 Home & 6 Away Scores

Competition	Score	Home/Away	Step 1: Iden	tify the Home	Scores (Max	x 5):
1	197.000	Н	With 6 Home M	leets: Drop High	est Score & Use	Remaining 5
2	197.100	Α		1	198	Н
3	197.200	н		2	197.8	Н
4	197.300	Α		3	197.6	Н
5	197.400	н		4	197.4	Н
6	197.500	Α		5	197.2	Н
7	197.600	н		6	197	Н
8	197.700	Α				
9	197.800	н				
10	197.900	Α				
11	198.000	н				

p 2: Order the	Home & Awa	ay Scores:	
the Home & Away	Scores in Desc	ending Order fro	m Highest to Lo
	1	198.100	Α
	2	197.900	Α
	3	197.800	Н
	4	197.700	Α
	5	197.600	Н
	6	197.500	Α
	7	197.400	Н
	8	197.300	Α
	9	197.200	Н
	10	197.100	Α
	11	197.000	Н

Step 4	cores:	t & Lowest S	the Highes	Step 3: Drop	
Teams I	(High & Low)	Performances (Potential Outlie	This Removes	est
	A	198.100	4		
	Α	197.900	2		
	Н	197.800	3		
	Α	197.700	4		
	Н	197.600	5		
	Α	197.500	6		
	Н	197.400	7		
	Α	197.300	8		
Min 5 A	Н	197.200	9		
	Α	197.100	10		
	Ħ	197.000	11		
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	Step 5: Average the Remaining Scores:					4: Confirm 5 Away Meets:				
	NQS	Calculates the	These 9 Scores	The Average of	be Eligible for	5 Away Meets to	n a Minimum of	ns Must Compete i		
	Α	197.900	1		A	198.100	4			
l	Н	197.800	2		Α	197.900	2			
	Α	197.700	3		Α	197.700	3			
l	Н	197.600	4		Α	197.500	4			
	Α	197.500	5		Α	197.300	5			
ı	Н	197.400	6		Α	197.100	6			
	Α	197.300	7		-			'		
ı	Н	197.200	8							
	Α	197.100	9				Yes	5 Away Meets		
		197.500	Final NQS							
ı	Н	197.200 197.100	9				Yes	5 Away Meets		

Comparison: Former NQS Calculation: 197.900 197.800 197.700 197.600 197.500

Final NQS: 197.500

This score is used for postseason qualification

Conference 198.100 A

Proposed NQS Calcuation for Postseason

Former NQS: 197.700 Former NQS Calculation

Scenario 3: Calculating NQS with 4 Home & 5 Away Scores

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Competition	Score	nome/Away	Step 1: iden	ilily the nom	e Scores (Ma	ıx ə):
1	196.000	Α	With 4 Home N	feets: Count All	Scores	
2	196.200	н		1	196.800	Н
3	196.500	Α		2	196.600	Н
4	196.400	Н		3	196.400	Н
5	196.900	Α		4	196.200	Н
6	196.600	Н				
7	197.000	Α				
8	196.800	Н				
Conference	197.100	Α				

inal NQS:	196.629	
Proposed NQS (Calcuation for	Postseason

Step 2: Order the Home & Away Scores:									
ist the Home & Away Scores in Descending Order from Highest to Lo									
	1	197.100	Α						
	2	197.000	Α						
	3	196.900	Α						
	4	196.800	Н						
	5	196.600	Н						
	6	196.500	Α						
	7	196.400	Н						
	8	196.200	Н						
	9	196.000	Α						

Step 3: Drop the Highest & Lowest Scores:							
This Removes Potential Outlier Performances (High & Low)							
	4	197.100	A				
	2	197.000	Α				
	3	196.900	Α				
	4	196.800	Н				
	5	196.600	Н				
	6	196.500	Α				
	7	196.400	Н				
	8	196.200	Н				
	9	196.000	A				
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Min 5 Away Meets Yes

tep 4: Confi	irm 5 Away Meets	i:			Step 5: Avei	age the Rer	naining Score	s:
eams Must Cor	mpete <u>i</u> n a Minimum o	f 5 Away Meets to	be Eligible for	N	The Average of	These 7 Score	s Calculates the	VQS
	1	197.100	Α			1	197.000	Α
	2	197.000	Α			2	196.900	Α
	3	196.900	Α			3	196.800	Н
	4	196.500	Α			4	196.600	Н
	5	196.000	Α			5	196.500	Α
		_		•		6	196.400	Н
						7	196.200	Н

Final NQS:	196.629
Proposed NQS	Calcuation for Postseasor

Comparison: Former NQS Calculation:														
6 Highest Scores; Minii	mum 3 Away	Drop the High	1											
-	1	197.100	A	Ī										
2	2	197.000	Α											
	3	196.900	Α											
4	4	196.800	Н											
	5	196.600	Н											
(3	196.500	Α											

Former NQS: 196.760 Former NQS Calculation

Scenario 4: Calculating NQS with 5 Home & 4 Away Scores

Competition	Score	Home/Awa	y Step 1: Ident	tify the Home	e Scores (Max	(5):	Step 2: Order the Home & Awa	ay Scores:		Step 3: Drop the Hig	hest & Lowest So	ores:	Step 4: Confirm 5	Away Meets			Step 5: Averag	ge the Rem	naining Scores	s:			
1	196.000	н	With 5 Home Me	eets: Count All	Scores		List the Home & Away Scores in Desc	ending Order from	Highest to Lo	owest This Removes Potential C	Outlier Performances (F	ligh & Low)	Teams Must Compete	in a Minimum of	5 Away Meets to	be Eligible for	N(The Average of Th	hese 7 Scores	s Calculates the N	QS	Comparison: Former NO	S Calculation:	
2	196.100	Α		1	196.800	Н	1	196.800	Н	4	196.800	H		1	196.700	Α		1	196.700	Α	6 Highest Scores; Minimum 3 A	way; Drop the Hig	gh
3	196.200	Н		2	196.600	Н	2	196.700	Α	2	196.700	Α		2	196.500	Α		2	196.600	Н	4	196.800	H
4	196.300	Α		3	196.400	Н	3	196.600	Н	3	196.600	Н		3	196.300	Α		3	196.500	Α	2	196.700	Α
5	196.400	Н		4	196.200	Н	4	196.500	Α	4	196.500	Α		4	196.100	Α		4	196.400	Н	3	196.600	Н
6	196.500	Α		5	196.000	Н	5	196.400	Н	5	196.400	Н		•				5	196.300	Α	4	196.500	Α
7	196.600	Н	_			•	6	196.300	Α	6	196.300	Α						6	196.200	Н	5	196.400	Н
8	196.700	Α					7	196.200	Н	7	196.200	Н						7	196.100	Α	6	196.300	Α
9	196.800	Н					8	196.100	Α	8	196.100	Α	Min 5 Away Meets	No									
10	196.900	Α					9	196.000	Н	9	196.000	H	-				F	inal:	196.400		Former NQS:	196.500	
11	197.000	н								<u> </u>			*Note: Over the past 1	0 years (excludi	g the 2020 and 2	021 seasons	Te	eam NOT elig	gible for Proposed	NQS & Postse	ason	Former NQS Calcu	culation
													impacted by COVID), a	all WCGA schoo	s have competed	in more than		_					
Conference	197.100	Α											five away meets duri										
													are confident the WC meet standards for the										
Final Score:	196 850												meet standards for tr	eligibility	calculation and	osiseason							
Team NOT eligible		NOS & Postses	eson											J. g.J									
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Scenario 5: NQS Calculation: Impact of Excluding vs Including an Outlier High Score

Competition	Score	Home/Awa	y Step 1: Iden	tify the Hom	e Scores (Max	(5):	Step 2: O	order the H	lome & Awa	y Scores:		Step 3: Dro	op the Highes	t & Lowest Sc	ores:	Step 4: Confirm 5	Away Meets:	1		Step 5: Ave	rage the Ren	naining Scores	s:	Comparison	: Average V	Vithout Droppin	ng Outliers:
1	196.000	Н	With 5 Home M	leets: Count All	Scores		List the Hon	ne & Away S	cores in Desce	ending Order from	n Highest to Lo	west This Removes	s Potential Outlie	r Performances (H	igh & Low)	Teams Must Compete i	n a Minimum of	5 Away Meets to	be Eligible for	N(The Average of	These 10 Scor	es Calculates the	NQS	The Average Inc	cluding Outlier	High & Low Score	
2	196.100	Α		1	196.800	Н			1	198.500	Α		4	198.500	A		1	198.500	Α		1	197.100	Α	Outlier High >>	1	198.500	Α
3	196.200	н		2	196.600	Н			2	197.100	Α		2	197.100	Α		2	197.100	Α		2	197.000	Α		2	197.100	Α
4	196.300	Α		3	196.400	Н			3	197.000	Α		3	197.000	Α		3	197.000	Α		3	196.800	Н		3	197.000	Α
5	196.400	Н		4	196.200	Н			4	196.800	Н		4	196.800	Н		4	196.700	Α		4	196.700	Α		4	196.800	Н
6	196.500	Α		5	196.000	Н			5	196.700	Α		5	196.700	Α		5	196.500	Α		5	196.600	Н		5	196.700	Α
7	196.600	Н	•				_		6	196.600	Н		6	196.600	Н		6	196.300	Α		6	196.500	Α		6	196.600	Н
8	196.700	Α							7	196.500	Α		7	196.500	Α		7	196.100	Α		7	196.400	Н		7	196.500	Α
9	196.800	Н							8	196.400	Н		8	196.400	Н	•				•	8	196.300	Α		8	196.400	Н
10	198.500	Α							9	196.300	Α		9	196.300	Α	Min 5 Away Meets	Yes				9	196.200	Н		9	196.300	Α
11	197.000	Α							10	196.200	Н		10	196.200	Н						10	196.100	Α		10	196.200	Н
									11	196.100	Α		11	196.100	Α						•			-	11	196.100	Α
Conference	197.100	Α							12	196.000	Н		12	196.000	H					F	inal NQS:	196.570			12	196.000	Н
								_				_									Proposed NQS	Calcuation for Po	stseason	-			

Proposed NQS Calcuation for Postseason

Final NQS: 196.570

Scenario 6: NQS Calculation: Impact of Excluding vs Including an Outlier Low Score

Competition	Score	Home/Awa	y Step 1: Ider	ntify the Hom	ne Scores (Max	(5):	Step 2: Order the Home & Awa	y Scores:		Step 3: Drop the	e Highest &	Lowest Sco	res:	Step 4: Confirm 5	Away Meets:			Step 5: Average the Ren	naining Score	s:	Comparison: Average Without Dropping Outliers:				
1	196.000	Н	With 5 Home N	Aeets: Count All	Scores	·	List the Home & Away Scores in Desce	vest This Removes Poter	st This Removes Potential Outlier Performances (High & Low)				Teams Must Compete in a Minimum of 5 Away Meets to be Eligible for No.				r NC The Average of These 10 Scores Calculates the NQS				The Average Including High & Outlier Low Score				
2	196.100	Α		1	196.800	Н	1	197.100	Α		4	197.100	A		1	197.100	Α	1	197.000	Α		Average Wit	hout Dropping	្វ Outliers:	
3	196.200	н		2	196.600	Н	2	197.000	Α		2	197.000	Α		2	197.000	Α	2	196.800	Н		1	197.100	Α	
4	196.300	Α		3	196.400	Н	3	196.800	Н		3	196.800	Н		3	196.700	Α	3	196.700	Α		2	197.000	Α	
5	196.400	Н		4	196.200	Н	4	196.700	Α		4	196.700	Α		4	196.500	Α	4	196.600	Н		3	196.800	Н	
6	196.500	Α		5	196.000	Н	5	196.600	Н		5	196.600	Н		5	196.300	Α	5	196.500	Α		4	196.700	Α	
7	196.600	Н		•			6	196.500	Α		6	196.500	Α		6	196.100	Α	6	196.400	Н		5	196.600	Н	
8	196.700	Α					7	196.400	Н		7	196.400	Н	•		_		7	196.300	Α		6	196.500	Α	
9	196.800	Н					8	196.300	Α		8	196.300	Α					8	196.200	Н		7	196.400	Н	
10	192.000	Α					9	196.200	Н		9	196.200	Н	Min 5 Away Meets	Yes			9	196.100	Α		8	196.300	Α	
11	197.000	Α					10	196.100	Α		10	196.100	Α					10	196.000	Н		9	196.200	Н	
							11	196.000	Н		11	196.000	Н					'				10	196.100	Α	
Conference	197.100	Α					12	192.000	Α		12	192.000	Ħ					Final NQS:	196.460			11	196.000	Н	
														l				Proposed NQS	Calcuation for Po	ostseason	Outlier Low >>	12	192.000	Н	
Final NQS:	196.460																	,,							

Proposed NQS Calcuation for Postseason

Final NQS: 196.142

196.683

NQS Without Dropping Outlier High & Low Score