

Spotting

- **Touch with Assist**
 - deduct .5 for spot (assist)
 - no VP credit is given
 - no credit for ER/Bonus
- **Touch w/ No Assist**
 - deduct .5 for spot (touch)
 - give VP credit
 - give credit for ER/BBS
- **Catch Falling Gymnast**
 - if fall and spot occur simultaneously, deduct only for the fall

GENERAL

Difficulty Required

1 HS/AHS @ .3	.3
3 S @ .5	1.5
4 M @ .3	1.2
Total	3.0

- Higher value elements may be used to replace missing lower value elements on a one-to-one basis and will retain their value

Range of Scores

9.5 - 10.0	.2
8.5 - 9.475	.3
7.0 - 8.475	.5
Below 7.0	1.0

- Average score determines the range

Equipment Failure

Includes broken/torn handgrip (not incl. bandages or footwear)

- **If Gymnast Stops**
 - may repeat from point of interruption after reasonable amount of rest (CJ determines time)
- **If FX Routine is Completed**
 - gymnast decides whether or not to repeat from point of interruption prior to receiving score
 - if repeated, second score is final

VAULT

GENERAL

- Spotting - Spotting block or folded panel mat may be used.
- One hand placement mat may be placed on runway for RO vaults only
- A sting mat may not be placed on the runway.
- Pit pillow is allowed in warm-ups only
- Tape or velcro (max. 2"x3'), (no chalk), may be placed on runway and must be removed at the end of the rotation.
- Tape, chalk, or other substances are not permitted on table.
- Tape is not allowed on the hand placement mat, chalk is OK

PERFORMANCE

- 2 vaults, same or different; average each, better score counts
- Vault value determined by vault performed.
- Body position for majority of vault determines vault performed.
- No penalty for not announcing vault or for performing a different vault than announced
- Vault w/o signal from Chief Judge = -0.5 from next vault performed (Vault w/o signal does **not** count as one of the 3 attempts)
- Coach between board and table = -0.5 (unless spotting the 1st flight of a handspring)

ROUND-OFF ENTRY VAULTS

- Safety zone mat must be around front and sides of board
- Judging begins with takeoff from board

BALKS

- Balk is an attempt **w/wo** touch of board, table, hand placement mat, or safety zone mat that does **not** result in rest or support on top of vault table (fall on runway is considered a balk). Rest/support on table = VOID vault
- 3 attempts to complete one or both vaults
- No 4th attempt allowed

balk - vault - vault	} OK	balk - balk - vault	} OK but no 2nd vault
vault - balk - vault		balk - vault - balk	
balk - balk - balk	} score = 0	vault - balk - balk	

FACILITATING VAULTS

- Spotting that does not facilitate or spot on landing = -0.5
- Spotting assistance/facilitating vault = VOID (ex: handspring - 1st and/or 2nd flight = -1.0 each time) (ex: salto vaults - 1st flight = VOID; 2nd flight = -1.0)

TIMING

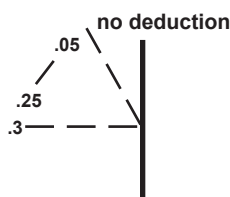
- Following a fall on the 1st vault, gymnast has 45 seconds after on feet and medical assessment is complete to begin the 2nd vault

Over/Under Rotated Turn on Landing

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1° - 30°	.05 - .1
31° - 60°	.15 - .2
61° - 89°	.25 - .3
90° or more	diff. vault

Insufficient Extension / Opening



No Opening Deduction



Maximum Opening Deduction (0.3)



(deduction should reflect body shape prior to landing)

VAULT DEDUCTIONS (Vertical Vaults)

First Flight

Failure to take-off from board with 2 feet	.2
Legs crossed	up to .1
Incorrect foot form	up to .1
Leg separations	up to .2
Bent knees	up to .3
Hip angle (pike)	up to .3
Arched Body	up to .2
Incomplete Twist	up to .3

Repulsion Phase

Bent arms	up to .5
Head on table (includes arms)	2.0
Too long in support (non-salto vaults)	up to .5
Legs bent in support (salto vaults)	up to .3
Shoulder angle	up to .2
Arched body	up to .2
Not thru vertical	up to .3
Staggered/alt hands (fwd entry vaults)	up to .1
Alternate repulsion (fwd entry vaults)	up to .2
Add'l hand placements	up to .3
Twist too soon	up to .3
One hand vault (CJ)	1.0
No hand contact	VOID

Second Flight

Legs crossed	up to .1
Incorrect foot form	up to .1
Leg separations	up to .2
Bent knees	up to .3
Insuf. tuck/pike/stretch	up to .3
Insuf. exactness of twist	up to .1
Late completion of twist	up to .3
Height	up to .5
Length	up to .3
Extension (str. vaults)	up to .3
Insuf/Late ext (U,V)	up to .25
No extension (U,V)	.3
Under rotation (saltos)	up to .1
Brush/hit on table	up to .2

Landing

Incomplete/Over Twist	up to .3
Direction	up to .3
Dynamics	up to .3

Landing

Slight hop/adjustment/feet staggered	up to .1
Extra arm swings	up to .1
Add'l trunk movements	up to .2
Body posture on landing	up to .2
Small/medium steps (max .4)	.1 - .15 each
Large step/jump (3'+, max .4)	.2 each
Squat on landing (hips lower than knees)	up to .3
Brush/touch w/hand(s) on mat (no support)	up to .3
Fall/support on mat w/ hand(s)	.5
Fall to knees/hips	.5
Fall against apparatus	.5
Land in sit/lie/stand on table	VOID
Not to feet first landing	VOID

** Feet first = any part of the bottom of the feet (if hands/feet land simultaneously - do not void)