

# POINT DEDUCTION BREAKDOWN

## ATHLETE FALL – .25

Drops to the performance surface during tumbling and/or jump skills.

**Examples:**

- Hand, hands, or head down in tumbling or jump skills.
- Knee or knees down in tumbling or jump skills.

## BUILDING FALL – .75

Drops to a cradle and/or load in position from a stunt, pyramid and/or toss

**Other Examples:**

- Base or spotter drops to the performance surface during a building skill.

## MAJOR BUILDING FALL – 1.25

Drops to the performance surface from a stunt, pyramid or toss by the top person and/or the bases/spotters.

**Other Examples:**

- Top person drops to the performance surface.
- Multiple bases and/or spotters drop to the performance surface.
- Top person lands on base and/or spotter who drops to the performance surface.

## MAXIMUM TEAM FALL – 1.75

When multiple deductions should be assessed during a stunt or toss (by a single group) or during a pyramid transition, then the sum of those deductions will not be greater than 1.75. During pyramids where a fall continues to effect other portions of the pyramid, the deduction will not exceed 1.75. Two separated pyramids will result in separate deductions. The MAX deduction for a pyramid will not exceed 3.75.

## TIME LIMIT VIOLATIONS – .25

The routine time limit is 2:30. Routines that exceed this time limit run a risk of being assessed a deduction. Judges will use a stopwatch or similar device to measure the official time. Acknowledging the potential variance caused by human reaction speed and sound system time variations, judges will not issue a deduction until their stopwatch/clock shows a time that exceeds 2:32.

## SAFETY VIOLATIONS

- **.5** – Tumbling skills performed out level and General Safety Guidelines will be issued a 0.5 deduction.
- **1.0** – Building skills performed out of level will be issued a 1.0 deduction.

## BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS – 0.25

The performance surface is defined as the 42' x 54' competition floor. The competition boundary is defined as the performance surface and any immediate adjacent safety border. A .25 deduction will be assessed per occurrence for an athlete that makes contact with both feet outside the competition boundary. Stepping on, or just past the white tape is not a boundary violation.

## **UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT – 1.0**

When a coach is in discussion with a competition official, other coaches, athletes and parents/spectators they must maintain proper professional conduct. Failing to do so will result in a 1.0 deduction.

### ***Includes the following:***

- Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact between athletes during the event.
- Abuse of equipment or any items associated with the event.
- Using language or a gesture that is obscene, offensive, or insulting.
- Using language or gestures that offend race, religion, color, descent or national or ethnic origin.
- Failing to perform a routine
- Excessive score appeal
- Showing dissent towards scoring official decisions by word or action.
- Threat of assault to an event representative.
- Public criticism of an event related event incident or event official.

## **MINIMUM ATHLETE REQUIREMENT**

If a team competes with fewer than the minimum number of athletes for their specific division, a deduction will not be assessed if that team is registered and rostered with the minimum number of athletes required for that division. Teams that do not meet this requirement will be disqualified.

These teams will be scored as if they meet the minimum athlete's requirement (regarding majority and most) and will not be eligible for bids to any end-of-season events.