

## MEMORANDUM

<b>DATE:</b> March 30 2018	<b>STATUS:</b> High
<b>TO:</b> WAG Community	<b>FROM:</b> WAG Sport Development Committee
<b>CC:</b>	<b>ATT:</b>
<b>RE:</b> WAG Bulletin	<b>NOTE:</b>

### 2018 WAG STEPs Manual

The Final version of the 2018 WAG STEPs Manual is now available on the Gymnastics New Zealand (GNZ) website, which can be found [HERE](#).

Two versions are available, one a clean version and the other with yellow highlights showing where changes have been made from 2017. There are no significant changes, largely clarifications but please note the following:

#### STEP 2 Floor

DV#5 the skill is - step forwards and chassé step hop with free leg forward horizontal, leap onto second leg to land in stable arabesque position, rear leg above 45°.

#### STEP 4 Floor

The floor routine must be performed in accordance with the given floor pattern. The direction may be reversed in its entirety.

#### STEP 7 Vault

The Tsukahara and Yurchenko vault options may be tucked or piked

#### STEP 7 Bars

Flyaway must come from cast/swing above horizontal to be awarded bonus

#### STEP 7 Beam

The bonus is for any C+ element

#### STEP 8, 9 and 10 Vault

Options are one vault from the Code of Points



## Safety

### Uneven Bars – STEPs 1 – 4

Coach must stand close to the HB for skills performed between the bars, and skills performed on the HB

### Matting

Additional matting is permitted for flight elements on bars and D+ acro elements on floor – see equipment regulations.

### Qualifying Score STEPs 7 - 10

The qualifying score for STEP 7 will be 44.0. The qualifying scores for STEPs 8, 9 and 10 remain at 43.0.

## Mandatory Key Events

### World Championships Doha, October

Mandatory Key Events for selection of the team to 2018 Doha World Championships will be CSG Classic, July 7, 8 and Mason Gillespie competition July 20 and 22. The qualification criteria will be posted on the [International Tours calendar](#).

### STEPS Tour, Perth August 30th – September 2<sup>nd</sup>

The trial for the selection of team members in each of STEPs 8, 9 and 10 will be held at CSG Classic, July 7, 8. If you have any gymnasts who are interested in being selected for this competition who did not submit an Intention to Travel (ITT) when they were called for in December then please advise [overseas.tours@gymnasticsnz.com](mailto:overseas.tours@gymnasticsnz.com). The qualification criteria is posted on the [International Tours calendar](#).

## Statistics from Nationals 2017

The statistical analysis of performances at Nationals are available [HERE](#).

In summary these show:

- Some gymnasts did not achieve the qualifying score, but most were close - a fall being the common reason for variance.
- Having two qualifying scores required to be eligible for Nationals was beneficial to ensuring quality gymnastics within STEPs at this event.



- Proficiency scores were around 50% of the total competitors in each STEP
- Some gymnasts that had been given dispensation achieved the qualifying score and some did not. For 2018 there will be no dispensations other than consideration for injury

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