



## REGION 4 PETITIONING PROCEDURES FOR 2021 WOMENS PROGRAM

If a gymnast is unable to compete at the State Championships (or cannot compete in the All Around at State) due to injury or illness prior to or during the State Meet, her coach may petition the Regional Technical Chairman ([Linda4rtc@aol.com](mailto:Linda4rtc@aol.com)) to allow the athlete to directly enter the Regional Championships, if the requirements are met.

Please refer to page 84, 10. of the current Rules and Policies Book for requirements.

If she competes at State 1-3 events, she must provide the scores, doctor verification and reason for petition on the form from the USA Gym website.

***Exception For 2021, any athlete that does not feel comfortable competing in her State Meet due to Covid safety or other issues may petition directly to the Regional meet provided she has scores of 35.00AA+ from a sanctioned meet this season (live or virtual), last season, or 2019. The scores must be for the same Level (Division). There is no requirement for doctor verification.***

The petition form should include all information, with copies of scores and indicate 2021 Exception on the form. Email info to Linda Thorberg, [Linda4rtc@aol.com](mailto:Linda4rtc@aol.com) and copy Paige Roth, [paiger@iowagymnest.com](mailto:paiger@iowagymnest.com).

**Xcel petitions** should go to Megan Bankole, [region4xcel@gmail.com](mailto:region4xcel@gmail.com) with a copy to Linda Thorberg, [Linda4rtc@aol.com](mailto:Linda4rtc@aol.com). Xcel petitions must include a score one point higher than the Regional qualifying score for that Division

USA Gym Petition form: <https://usagym.org/PDFs/Forms/Women/injury2019.pdf>

All petitions must be received within 3 days of the State Meet. Athletes should enter the Regional meet and pay. Refunds will be given if they cannot attend.

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