**Eligibility for the Girls’ Premier 5 Piece Competition**

All teams except under 9 entered by the closing date will automatically qualify unless more than 12 teams enter in U15 and more than 16 teams enter in U10, U11 U13 and O13 age groups.

**12 team places** only available for the U9 and under 15 categories.

**16 team places** available for U10, U11, U13 & O13 categories.

Under 9s - no one gains automatic qualification - all must attend 2 Piece competition to gain a place.

Under 10s - top 6 teams in the preceding academic year’s U9 Nationals secure a place for U10 Nationals, if the schools wish to enter - everyone else must qualify for the remaining available places.

Under 11s - top 10 teams in the preceding academic year’s U10 Nationals secure a place for U11 Nationals, if the schools wish to enter - everyone else must qualify for the remaining available places.

Under 13s - top 10 teams in the preceding academic year’s U13 Nationals secure a place for U13 Nationals, if the schools wish to enter - everyone else must qualify for the remaining available places.

Under 15s - top 6 teams in preceding academic year’s U15 Nationals secure a place for U15 Nationals, if the schools wish to enter - everyone else must qualify for the remaining available places.

Over 13s - top 10 teams in preceding academic year’s O13 Nationals secure a place for O13 Nationals, if the schools wish to enter - everyone else must qualify for the remaining available places.

This is an incentive to lower positioned teams to aim for a qualification spot.

**Tie Breaker for 5 Piece Qualification**

In the event of a tie in the 2 Piece competition, where it may matter about placings when qualifying for the Girls’ Premier 5 Piece competition, the total of the teams’ top 4 vault scores will be compared. In the case of this being tied then the decision will go on the total of the top 3 vault scores and so on.

**Eligibility for the Girls’ 4 Piece Challenge Cup Competition**

The I.S.G.A. National Challenge Cup for Girls’ is open to:

1. New Schools
2. Teams that were outside the top 10 in the appropriate age categories (see Eligibility under 5 Piece

 championship) the previous year at the 5 Piece competition.

1. Teams not qualifying for the 5 Piece completion this year.
2. Schools who know their girls are not up to the 5 Piece standard and only wish to compete at the 4

Piece level this year.

Restrictions: A school may only enter one team per age group: U9, U11, and U13.

 As this is a national competition ‘B’ teams are not eligible.

 No somersaults are allowed and only one flic in the voluntary floor.

The Executive Committee reserves the right to veto schools entering teams if they are deemed unsuitable; for example it is not an option to choose to compete in the 4 Piece simply because the date proves to be more convenient for a school or a coach; nor for example if a coach just wants to avoid doing a group sequence.