

I.S.G.A. Eligibility

Schools may only enter one team per age group.
No school may enter individuals.

Premier Girls 5 Piece Championships

Eligibility:

All teams entered by the closing date will automatically qualify unless more than 12 teams enter in U9 and U15 and more than 16 teams enter in U10, U11, U13 and O13 age groups.

Qualification takes place at the 2 Piece competition for age groups that are over-subscribed.

12 team places only available for the U9 and U15 categories.

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

Under 9s - no one gains automatic qualification. **If there are more than 12 teams applying for entry to the 5 Piece championship then all teams have to attend the 2 Piece to try and 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. **If more than 12 teams enter then all other teams 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.

I.S.G.A. Eligibility contd.

The 2 Piece Championships For Girls

Eligibility: All schools are encouraged to enter teams in the six age groups. Currently there is no limit on the number of schools allowed to enter. However, with the exceptions of entries for the under 9 - and under 15 2 Piece sections which are open to all schools, teams from schools placed in the top six positions in the relevant age groups in the previous season's Premier 5 Piece Championships, with "relevance" being determined according to the 5 Piece eligibility criteria, are not able to compete.

All U9 teams may compete in the 2 Piece. If there are more than 12 teams entered for the U9 5 Piece competition all teams must compete in the 2 piece to try and gain a place.

In the U15 section all teams may compete in the 2 Piece regardless of automatic qualification as it is a relatively new age group. If more than 12 teams apply for the 5 Piece championships then the teams without automatic selection must compete in the 2 Piece to try to gain one of the last six places.

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 totals of the teams' top 4 vault scores will be compared. In the case of this being tied then the decision will go on the totals of the top 3 vault scores and so on.

The 2 Piece National Championships For Boys

Eligibility: All schools are encouraged to enter a team in each of the three age groups. Currently there is no limit on the number of schools allowed to enter each age group.

Girls 4 Piece Challenge Cup National Championships

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

- 1) New Schools
- 2) Teams who do not qualify for the 5 Piece competition.
- 3) a) U9s: Schools choosing to enter the U9 Novice Challenge team category in the 2 Piece competition earlier in the season.
b) U10s and U11s: Schools that were outside the top 10 in the relevant category at the previous year's 5 Piece competition, ie for the under 11s - previous season's under 10s or for the under 13s the previous season's under 13s.
- 4) Other schools who believe their girls cannot achieve all the 5 Piece disciplines and only wish to compete in the lower level 4 Piece competition this year, provided that in the current season's 2 Piece competitions, if under 9s they did not finish in the top 8 places, and if under 11s or under 13s they did not finish in one of the first 2 places amongst those seeking qualification for the 5 Piece.

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.

Premier Boys 4 Piece National Championships

Eligibility: All schools are encouraged to enter a team in each of the three age groups. Currently there is no limit on the number of schools allowed in each age group.