



## POLE VAULTER WEIGHT VERIFICATION FORM

TO ALL MEMBER SCHOOLS – Member schools are required to process the **Pole-Vaulter Weight Verification Form** listing each student participating in the pole vault event. This form must be on file in the athletic director's office prior to a pole vaulter's first interscholastic competition.

School \_\_\_\_\_

	Name of Vaulter	Weight	Pole Rating
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Principal \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Coach \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTE TO SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Please review the following National Federation rules regarding the pole vault event:

Rule 7-5-3: The competitor's weight shall be at or below the manufacturer's pole rating. The manufacturer's pole rating shall be visible in a 3/4" contrasting color, located within or above the top hand-hold position; a one-inch circular band indicating the maximum top-hand-hold position.

The location of the band indicating the top safe hand-hold position shall be determined by the manufacturer.

**It is the responsibility of the coach to verify the competitor will use a legal pole rated at or above his/her weight.**

SPECIAL NOTE: It is no longer permissible for a coach to "re-mark" a top hand hold band. ONLY the initial manufacturer's marking is legal or those done by a coach between 1996-2002 are legal. Worn markings may be re-done.

**Rule 7-5-4:** A competitor shall not use a variable weight pole, a pole which is improperly marked or a pole rated below his /her weight during warm-up or competition.

**PENALTY:** Disqualification from the event. Rule 7-5-29h: It shall count as an unsuccessful trial when the vaulter grips the pole above the top-hand-hold band.

**Review all of Rule 7-5-7 through 14 and Rule 7-5-19 through 22, relative to adopted rules and dimensions for landing pad, plant box, hard and unyielding surfaces and the placement of the standards/uprights.**