

THIS FORM MUST BE CARRIED TO ALL MEETS AND COPY SENT IN WITH YOUR STATE MEET ENTRY FORM.

V.P.A. POLE VAULTER'S WEIGHT CERTIFICATION FORM

TO ALL MEMBER SCHOOLS - Member schools will be required to process the **Pole Vaulter's Weight Certification Form** listing each student participating in the pole vault event. This form is to be on file in the Athletic Director's Office prior to a pole vaulter's first interscholastic competition.

It will be required to update this form when a weight change necessitates the use of a new pole rating.

*****Copies of this form should be available at the competition site for comparison with the manufacturer's pole rating of the pole(s) used by each vaulter during that competition.**

SCHOOL _____

Name of Vaulter	Vaulter's Weight*	Pole Rating
1. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
2. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
3. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
4. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
5. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
6. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
7. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
8. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
9. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
10. _____	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.

***Includes full competition uniform and footwear**

Date _____ Signature of Principal _____
Date _____ Signature of Athletic Director _____
Date _____ Signature of Coach _____

Clinic Attendance Certification No. _____

NOTE TO SCHOOL OFFICIALS

National Federation High School Track and Field Rule 7, Section 5, ART. 3 & ART. 4:

ART. 3 . . . The competitor's weight shall be at or below the manufacturer's pole rating. The manufacturers must include on each pole: the pole rating that shall be a minimum of 3/4 inch in a contrasting color located within or above the top handhold position; a 1-inch circular band indicating the maximum top hand-hold position with the position being determined by the manufacturer. Prior to competition, the coach must verify that all of the school's pole vaulters and poles meet these requirements.

NOTES:

1. Etchings, serial numbers, etc. that may appear on poles shall not replace the requirement of the manufacturer's pole rating of the minimum 3/4-inch marking in contrasting color on each pole. (7-5-3)
2. Each state association shall determine its own procedure regarding coaches' verification.

ART. 4 . . . A competitor shall not use a variable weight pole, a pole which is improperly marked or a pole rated below his/her weight, or any other equipment that is not legal during warm-up or competition.

NOTE: Altering the pole in any fashion renders it illegal.

PENALTY: Disqualification from the event.

Note: Here are manufacturer contacts for poles requiring new weight labels:

1. **UCS Spirit** -> (800) 537-7117 (<http://www.ucsspirit.com>)
2. **Gill Athletics** (Carbon FX Weave, Carbon FX, Pacer FX, Skypole Carbon, Skypole, Skypole E-Z Plant, Carbon Mystic Weave, Carbon Mystic, Pacer Mystic, Big Stick, Rocket, Lady Rocket) -> (800) 637-3090 (<http://www.gillathletics.com>)
3. **Essx** (Essx, Maxima 4, Fibersport, Cata-Pole) -> (877) 367-3779 (<http://www.essxpv.com>)
4. **Altius** -> (800) 374-7653 (<http://www.altiuspoles.com>)
5. **Nordic Sport** -> info@nordicsport.se (<http://www.nordicsport.com>)