TO ALL MEMBER SCHOOLS - Member schools will be required to process the Pole Vaulter’s Weight Verification 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.

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Includes full competition uniform and footwear

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 manufacturers must include on each pole: the pole rating that shall be a minimum of ¾ inch in a contrasting color located within or above the top handhold position; a 1-inch circular band indicating the maximum to 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 ¾ inch marking in contrasting color on each pole (7-5-3)

2. Each state association shall determine its own procedure regarding coaches’ verification.

**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, 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.**

**7-5-5**

Prior to warm-up, the field referee or head field judge shall inspect each pole to be used in the competition to verify that the poles are legal equipment, per Rule 7-5-3. This includes checking the placement of a top hand-hold band, numerical pole ratings a minimum of ¾ inches in a contrasting color located within or above the top hand-hold band, and the proper binding of adhesive tape of uniform thickness when used. The binding shall not be on or above the top hand-hold band.