

Areas Of Consideration In Awarding Points For The Diving Competition

Each dive is composed of a starting position; approach; takeoff; flight and positions; and an entry into the water ----- (score the total dive)

* Each judge shall award a diver a score of **no more than 2½ to 4** if:

- The diver partially alters the position of a dive in flight

* Each judge shall **deduct ½ to 2 points from an award if the diver:**

- Crow hops – feet leave the board then return to the board prior to a back/inward takeoff – (actual flight of the dive)
- Excessive oscillation – the pressing of the feet downward causing the board to rise and fall more than 4 times before diving.
- Flight of the dive causes entry to the side of the board.
- Twists manifestly from the board – from a back/inward dive position, immediately twists off the board instead of rising up, over the board, by pressing the board down and then twisting.
- Spreads his/her knees in the tuck position.

* Referee announces to all judges, “**no more than 2**” for:

- Tuck position introduced in twisting dives other than 5152, 5221, 5231, 5321, and 5331
- Head first dive – hand/hands below the shoulders
- Feet first dive – hand/hands above the shoulders
- Diver hits the diving board while executing the dive.
- Dive is clearly executed in the wrong position.
- Diver does not attempt to come out from the tuck position.

* Referee announces to scorers “**Deduct 2 points from each judges’ score**” for:

- A balk (a movement that interrupts a continuous execution of the dive)
- A violation of the forward approach or diver takes 3 steps and a hurdle; then:
 1. Oscillates the board before diving
 2. Bounces to end of the board before diving

* Referee announces to all scorers & judges “**Failed dive**” for the following:

- Does not assume a starting position
- On a feet first entry – hands hit first
- On a head first entry – feet hit first
- Does not execute pike before twist in these half twist dives/pike position **only** (5111; 5211; 5311 and 5411)
- Falls off the board while executing the dive
- Executes the wrong dive or a dive not listed
- Commits 2 balks – or repeats a dive
- Is assisted by another person
- Doesn't record the official description of the dive (Dive # and position)
- Steps off the board after assuming the starting position
- Performs a dive requiring a forward approach from a standing position
- In dual meets, does not perform the voluntary dive first
- In championship meet, does not perform dives as specified in the rules
- In twisting dives – Twists the shoulders 90 degrees more or less than indicated on the score sheet when the diver's feet/hands contact the water

* The diver shall be **disqualified** if, in the referee's judgment:

- The diver does not make a sincere attempt to perform the dive
- It becomes obvious the dives listed are too difficult for the diver
- The diver unnecessarily delays in performing the dive
- The diver behaves in an unsportsmanlike manner