



TO: Special Olympics Ohio Coaches

FROM: Special Olympics Ohio

DATE: January 5, 2017

RE: 2017 State Basketball Individual Skills Contest

1. The State Basketball Individual Skills Contest will be held in conjunction with the State Team Basketball Team Tournament again this year. The competition will be held at Bowling Green High School in Bowling Green on Saturday, March 25, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The address of the High School is 530 West Poe Road, Bowling Green, OH 43402. There will be a \$10.00 registration fee for each athlete entered in the skills contest. Payment of this fee is due at the time of the deadline, March 7, 2017. Also, individual skills athletes must qualify at an Area basketball skills contest. Contact your Area Director for information about these qualifying events.
2. In order for us to plan for this, you must fill out an entry form for each one of your participants. All forms must be returned to the state office by noon on Tuesday, March 7, 2017. For those of you familiar with submitting entries via GMS, contact Marty Allen at the state office prior to the deadline to receive the GMS file. You will still need to submit a list of your coaches and medicals/releases for your athletes but it should save you time and you won't have to submit individual entry forms, roster, etc. in hard copy format.
 - a. Each event (1-3) is to be administered to each athlete and recorded on the Individual Entry Form.
 - b. The total of all three trials is to be averaged for the athlete's entry score. Use the scores from the qualifying area event as one of three trials.
3. Also, please fill out the basketball individual skills contest roster so that we can list your athletes in the program.
4. Athletes will be grouped according to age, sex, and ability. However, we may be forced, as in the past years, to combine some age groups in order to provide proper ability divisions.

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5. The format of the skills contest will allow each contestant two non-consecutive time trials at the Ten Meter Dribble with his/her best score being converted into points. At the Target Pass, the athletes will have five passes and the sum of points will be added to the other test scores. At Spot Shot, the athlete's score will be the sum of points from all 12 shots. The scores from the three stations will be added to determine the final results.
6. Prior to the event, you will receive a copy of the heat sheets. There will be a short warm-up period before the competition starts.
7. Mandatory Pre-Registration – You must send in copies of your athlete participation/release forms with your entries. Remember, these must be properly prepared, dated, and be signed. You will still need to check-in the day of the event to turn in scratches and pick up last minute event information.
8. Awards will be individual chapter medals and ribbons.