



2010 WSSA World Sport Stacking Championships

APRIL 10th & 11th Magness Arena, University of Denver

COMPLETE CHAMPIONSHIPS GUIDE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (Doors open at 8:00 am)

SATURDAY, APRIL 10th: Prelims & H-T-H Relays

- 8:00-9:45am Coaches Packet Pick-Up
- 9:00am-3:30pm StackFest Saturday! (Open to everyone!)
- 9:00-11:30am PRELIMS: individuals, Doubles, Timed 3-6-3 Relay
- 10:00-10:30am Optional Coaches Q & A Meeting
- 11:30-11:45am OPENING CEREMONIES
- 11:45am-1:45pm H-T-H 3-6-3 Relays, Double Elimination (3-3-3 for 6U) Last chance for Prelims! Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelims end at 12:45 pm!
- 12:30-1:30pm SPECIAL STACKERS FINALS
- 1:45-3:15pm H-T-H Cycle Relays Single Elimination (3-6-3 for 6 U) Seedings based on Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelim results
- 3:45-4:45pm SPEED STACKS International Challenge Prelim Matches
- 4:45-5:30pm Open Division H-T-H Relays

StackFest Saturday! 9 am-3:30 pm

When your team is not competing, go take part in the interactive stacking stations on the Concourse. Family members welcome to participate!

SUNDAY, APRIL 11th: Finals & STACK of CHAMPIONS

- 8:00-8:45am Warm-Ups for Finals
- 8:45-9:15am Timed 3-6-3 Relays
- 9:15-9:45am Doubles (Age Division)
- 9:45-10:15am Individual 3-3-3
- 10:15-11:00am Individual 3-6-3
- 11:00am-Noon Individual Cycle
- Noon-12:30pm Doubles (Child/Parent)
- 12:30-1:00pm Lunch Break
- 1:00-3:00pm STACK of CHAMPIONS



CHAMPIONSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

New Venue! Located on the beautiful University of Denver campus. Address: Magness Arena, 2201 E Asbury Ave Denver, CO 80208

New Rules! The WSSA has implemented new rules effective with the 2010 World Championships. Please note in the WSSA Rule Book.

New Sponsor! The WSSA is pleased to have Wonderful Pistachios as the presenting sponsor for this event. Check out the Pistachio booth!

New Adult Doubles Divisions and Expanded "Teen" Age Divisions to the Finals

- Eight Events for All Ages** --Three Individual Events (3-3-3, 3-6-3, Cycle) --Two Doubles Events (Age Division & Child/Parent)
- One Timed 3-6-3 Relay Event --Two Head-to-Head Relay Events

SPEED STACKS International Challenge Speed Stacks, Inc., the primary sponsor and official equipment supplier for the WSSA World Sport Stacking Championships, has invited top relay teams from around the world to represent their countries in a special Cycle Relay competition.

STACK OF CHAMPIONS Once Division Finals are complete, top Overall finalists are invited on stage to better their times and have one last shot at a world record.

WHAT SPORT STACKING IS ALL ABOUT:

We build only positive pyramids! Lots of encouragement!

No put downs. Only humble winners and gracious losers.

Sport stacking not only develops important physical skills, such as hand-eye coordination, quickness and focus, it also promotes self-confidence, teamwork and good sportsmanship. Our intent in holding this tournament is to uphold these qualities and provide a positive experience for all. Please understand that most everyone involved in this event is a volunteer working hard to do the best job they can do. Like any athletic competition, decisions and judgments will be made—most will be correct, some may be questionable—all will be sincere. We ask that all those taking part in the 2010 World Championships including Stackers, Coaches, Officials and Spectators, do their best to work together, be good sports and positive role models and have a terrific time! Thanks for taking part in this year's WSSA World Sport Stacking Championships!

IMPORTANT NOTE: Prohibited items inside Magness Arena include: illegal drugs, glass bottles, aluminum cans, ice chests, coolers, outside food and beverage, stools, folding chairs, skateboards, in-line skates, fireworks, firearms or other weapons, animals (except certified guidedogs for disabled). The following items are subject to search at entry: large bags, athletic bags, backpacks.



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RELAY TEAM COACH CHECKLIST

Before you come:

- Be sure your team is registered, and fees are paid!
Each stacker may compete in 8 events:
3 Individual, 2 Doubles and 3 Relay (2 Head-To-Head and 1 Timed 3-6-3). *Though not required, we encourage each Stacker to take part in all the events they are eligible for.*
- Remember, you must field a full team of at least 4 stackers. Teams of less than 4 will be disqualified in Relay events. (If you're adding a "free agent" to complete your team, please make arrangements ahead of time to meet at the event.)
- Make plans ahead of time on when and where to meet your team. Have cell phone numbers of parents (and stackers if applicable) with you.
- If you have committed a Volunteer to participate in the Relay Team Volunteer Reimbursement Program, let them know ahead of time that they will be checking in at the Volunteer Table at the main entrance of Magness Arena.

When you arrive at Magness Arena (use West entrance):

- Report to the appropriate packet pick-up table in the Foyer. You will receive:
 - 1) Coach Quick Guide and badge;
 - 2) Participant lapel pins;
 - 3) Personalized Prelim Time Sheets--"My Best Times" sheets;
 - 4) Team sign for H-T-H Relays;
 - 5) Judges Procedures & Tips--Key Points from Rule Book;
 - 6) Program;
 - 7) Map of competition area, directions to Q & A meeting.
 - 8) Volunteer Reimbursement Voucher (if applicable)
- Find seats for your team in the section directly above your Age Division in rows 5 and above. *(First 4 rows are reserved for spectators. Encourage your team to stay together!)*
- Warm-up tables are available on arena floor, as well as the Concourse. Your team may start warming up anytime. *(Competition Tables are off limits!)*
- Your stackers may begin Prelims starting at 9:00 am at **ANY** Division.
- If you have any questions at all, we urge you to attend the Relay Team Coaches Q & A Meeting at 10:00 am (top west side, Section 2).
- If your team is adding a "free agent" and you need to find them, plan to meet at "Free Agent Meeting Area" under Section 1 at 9:45 or 10:45 am (just before or after Coaches meeting).
- If your team qualifies for Relay Team Volunteer Reimbursement Program, once your volunteer has completed their duties, report to Volunteer/Info Booth to receive \$40 for your team.

STACKER CHECKLIST

Before you come:

- Be sure you've registered for ALL your events (8 possible): 3 Individual, 2 Doubles and 3 Relay (2 Head-To-Head and 1 Timed 3-6-3). *Though not required, we encourage each Stacker to take part in all the events they are eligible for.*
- Bring your own set of SPEED STACKS® (or you may borrow a set for the day at the Information Booth). SPEED STACKS® will be available for purchase, along with ALL the SPEED STACKS sport stacking products.
- Bring money for food and your official 2010 WSSA World Sport Stacking Championships custom apparel.
- Pre-arrange a time and place to meet your coach and team. *(If you are a free agent, you will be directed to a designated area to join your team the day of the event.)*

When you arrive at Magness Arena (use West entrance):

- Your Relay Team Coach will pick up your team packet. You do not need to stand in line; your coach will have all of your teams forms, instructions and lapel pins.
- If you are a free agent without a team, proceed to the designated packet-pick-up station for your instructions.
- Find seats for your team in the section directly above your Age Division in rows 5 and above. *(First 4 rows are reserved for spectators. Please stay with your team!)*
- Warm-up tables are available on arena floor, as well as the Concourse. Start warming up anytime. *(Competition Tables are off limits until the start of competition!)*
- Beginning at 9:00am, you may compete in your Prelims at **ANY** time and **ANY** Division.
- Take part in StackFest Saturday on the Concourse. Invite your family and friends to participate!
- HAVE A GREAT DAY!** Try your hardest, be a good sport, and have fun!

Relay Team Coaches Q & A Meeting *(Optional, but highly recommended)*

Where, When: West side of arena, above Section 2, 10 am
What: This recommended (but not required) meeting is for those Relay Team Coaches who want a review or have questions about the H-T-H Relays, which start after the Opening Ceremonies, or anything else relating to the World Championships.

WARM-UPS

Warm-up tables are located throughout the Concourse and may be used at any time. Each Competition table has a corresponding On-Deck table that is used in competition. These On-Deck tables may be used to warm up prior to Prelims and Finals.

PRELIMS

Prelims do not need to be done at your Age Division tables but can be done at ANY Division, including the Concourse Competition tables in the southeast corner behind Section 14. **Look for the shortest lines in ANY Division!**

Individual Prelims

All Stackers start at the "On Deck" table and warm up prior to their turn at the Competition table. *(Note: Normal warm-ups still happen at the Competition Table as well.)* On Deck table time is limited and commits the Stacker to compete next. (Consider this the equivalent of an "on deck circle" in baseball.) Once at the Competition table the Stacker will establish fastest times in Individual 3-3-3, 3-6-3 and Cycle stacks (in this order) although he/she may choose not to compete in all three events. The Stacker will be met by a Judge, who will ask for their personalized Individual Prelim Time Sheet and "My Best Times" sheet. Prior to each stack, the Stacker will have the opportunity to do up to two (2) warm-ups before being timed three times for each particular stack. The Judge will record the "Best Time" in each category and then sign the Time Sheet. This sheet will remain at the table to be picked up by a Runner who will deliver them to the Scoring Area. A Stacker's "Best Time" in each stack will be recorded on their "My Best Times" sheet for them to keep. **Spectators, please remain in stands.**

• Once all times have been entered into the computer at the end of the Individual Prelims, Stackers whose time remains in the top 10 of their division (posted on the Big Screen Leader Board), will qualify for that Individual Finals event on Sunday (See "Timed Finals Schedule & Locations"). **Individual Prelims (Option 2) end at 1:45 pm.**

Doubles Prelims

Doubles teams also start at the On Deck Tables at any division. Once at the Competition table, Doubles Teams get two (2) warm-ups and three tries in the Cycle stack (Special Stackers do the 3-6-3). (Follow same Time Sheet procedure as Individual Prelims.) Once all times have been entered for the Doubles Prelims, the top 5 teams in each division (posted on the Big Screen Leader Board) will qualify for the Doubles Finals which will take place on Sunday. (See "Timed Finals Schedule & Locations.") **Doubles Prelims (Option 2) end at 1:45 pm.**

Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelims

This event follows the same procedures as noted above in the Individual & Doubles Prelims except there are no warm-ups allowed at the Competition Table. The top 4 teams in each division from the Prelims (posted on the Big Screen Leader Board) will qualify for the Finals, which will take place on Sunday. (See "Timed Finals Schedule & Locations") **Important- Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelims (Option 2) end at 12:45pm.**

Special Stacker Prelims/Finals

All Special Stacker Prelims must be completed by 11:30 am. Special Stackers Finals will be held at their Division at 12:30 pm on Saturday. Once all of these Finals have been completed and awards presented to Special Stackers, their families and friends will move over to main Awards table at the center of the arena for a quick photo session and public announcement acknowledging our Special Stackers!

IMPORTANT!!!

12:45 pm is the CUT-OFF TIME for Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelims. Individual and Doubles Prelims will continue until 1:45 pm.



HEAD-TO-HEAD (H-T-H) RELAYS

Immediately following the Opening Ceremonies, everyone return to your seats at your division where your Division Managers will introduce themselves and call down all Coaches for a brief pre-tournament meeting. Roll will be called, brackets will be passed out and checked, and a quick review of procedures & rules will be done. The first teams to compete will be called down. These teams report to the Competition tables that have been assigned to them for that race (announced by a Division Manager). Subsequent teams will be called to the "On Deck tables" where they will have the opportunity to warm-up. From there, teams will be called up to compete at a Competition table when it becomes available. (Only teams who have been called to the On Deck tables should be there. Teams waiting to compete and spectators must remain in the stands.)

Coaches are to hold up their Team Sign (found in Team packet) for Division Managers to identify their team.

3-6-3 H-T-H Relay (3-3-3 for 6U)

• Your team will compete at the same Competition tables throughout your Age Division tournament. This will be a double-elimination tournament. This assures every team of competing in at least two matches. A "match" consists of the best two out of three relay "races" between two teams.

COACHES & STACKERS: *To exhibit good sportsmanship, at the beginning and end of each match, win or lose, please line your team up to "high five" or shake hands with the opposing team. Please work hard to keep the day positive for everyone involved!*

- Once you've completed your first relay match, return to your seat in the stands. You can watch other teams in your division while waiting to take part in subsequent matches. A large poster will be on display in your division showing the competition brackets and how your team is progressing.
- At all times, keep your EYES and EARS open for your Division Managers. They will give a "first call" and a "last call" for your team to compete. If your team is late, it will result in an automatic forfeit. If your team continues to progress in the tournament, please return to your seat in the stands between matches. If your team loses two matches and is eliminated, please exit Competition Area. If your team members still need to complete their Prelims, they may do so now. (See page 3) Once Prelims are completed, go participate in StackFest on Concourse.
- The last two teams remaining in each division will qualify to compete in the final match to take place right then. The third and fourth place teams should remain for the medal presentations.
- Once the final match in your division tournament is completed, your Division Managers will award medals to the top four teams in your division. The presentation will be made at your age division sign.

NOTE: In all divisions where more than 16 teams are competing, two or more "mini" tournaments will take place. The top two teams of each "mini" tournament will then compete for top honors in a "mini-tournament Finals" for that division.

Cycle H-T-H Relay (3-6-3 for 6U)

• We will follow the same procedures as in the H-T-H 3-6-3 Relays (3-3-3 for 6U) with the exception that this will be a **SINGLE ELIMINATION** format. (Teams will be "seeded" in their brackets based on the Timed 3-6-3 Relay Prelims which must have been completed by 12:45 pm!) The only "consolation match" will be one to determine 3rd and 4th places after the "Semi-final" matches and before the Final match. Medals will be presented immediately to the top 4 teams in each division.

The final match of the 6U H-T-H 3-6-3 Relay will be run on Sunday as part of the STACK OF CHAMPIONS.

SPEED STACKS® International Challenge (on stage)

SPEED STACKS, Inc., a Primary Sponsor of the 2010 WSSA World Sport Stacking Championships, has invited the top relay teams from around the world to represent their countries in this special event. Each country has been asked to provide up to two of its top teams to compete in this dual bracketed double elimination, H-T-H Cycle tournament. The final two teams from each bracket will advance to the Finals Stage on Sunday during the STACK OF CHAMPIONS. All are invited to pack the grandstands around the stage to watch this exciting international event.

FINALS

↔ All stackers who qualified for Sunday's Finals may warm up at On Deck tables on the arena floor or at the Warm Up tables on Concourse. **Spectators please remain in the stands.**

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT ALL FINALS EVENTS For the specific location of each of the divisional Finals events, see "FINALS COMPETITION MAPS". *NOTE: The Individual Event Finals for Age Divisions 5, 15, 16 & 17 will take place in Hamilton Gymnasium.* All Stackers competing in the Finals establish an "official" Finals time from the best of their three new tries. To streamline the Finals, two competitors/teams will stack simultaneously, yet independent of one another, on separate tables in each division. All Finals will involve 2 judges and incorporate color-coded verification cards and possible "video review". (Note: Video review, when necessary will take place after all three tries. See WSSA Rule Book for details). Awards will be presented at each division immediately following each Finals event. The three "Overall" fastest stackers in EACH timed event from the Divisional Finals will qualify for the STACK OF CHAMPIONS on stage at 1:00 pm on Sunday.

Tie Breakers: *In all timed events, ties are broken in both the Finals competition of each division as well as the Top Overall standings as follows: ties produced by identical times shall be separated by the second-best performances of the tying competitors; if a tie still remains, by the third-best performances; and finally then by the best Prelims time. If a tie still remains then it shall simply be deemed a tie.*

Timed 3-6-3 Relay Finals

The **top 4** teams from the prelims in each division qualify for their divisional Finals. Remember, no warm ups will take place at the Competition table. An "On Deck table" warm up period will be provided. The 4th and 3rd ranked teams will stack first followed by the 2nd and 1st ranked teams. Once all 4 Teams have competed, they will be re-ranked and awards will be presented immediately.

Age Division, Child/Parent Doubles Finals

Each of the **top 5** Doubles teams in each of the Doubles Age Divisions from the Prelims will compete for 1st through 5th places in the Finals. An "On Deck Table" warm up period will be provided. The 5th and 4th ranked teams will stack first, followed by the 3rd and 2nd ranked teams and finally the top ranked team. Once all 5 Teams have competed, they will be re-ranked and awards will be presented immediately.

Individual 3-3-3, 3-6-3 and Cycle Finals

Each of the **top 10** finalists from the Individual Prelims in each Age Division in each stack will compete for 1st through 10th places. An "On Deck table" warm-up period will be provided in addition to the two warm-ups at the Competition table. Stackers will go two at a time (on separate tables, independent of one another) starting with the 10th and 9th ranked finalists then the others in ascending order. The 2nd and 1st ranked stackers will go one at a time. Once all 10 stackers have competed they will be ranked and awards will be presented immediately.

STACK of CHAMPIONS

Competitors in STACK of CHAMPIONS meet back stage at center of arena floor at 12:30 pm. Spectators please move into Sections 10-12.

The STACK OF CHAMPIONS will showcase the top 3 "Overall" fastest stackers in each timed event based on the Divisional Finals. Beginning with the third fastest from that event, each stacker/team has earned the opportunity to have another shot at bettering their time and potentially affecting the "Overall" outcome of the tournament. Stackers/Teams can only "better" their time; they cannot "lose" what they have previously accomplished. Potential improved times will be video reviewed after the 3 tries. "Overall" places will be determined and awards will be presented immediately for that event.

STACK of CHAMPIONS Order of Events

- Opening
- Individual 3-3-3
- 6U H-T-H Relay (Final Match)
- Doubles
- Individual 3-6-3
- Timed 3-6-3 Relay
- Individual Cycle
- SPEED STACKS International Challenge (H-T-H Cycle Relay)-Two Semi-Final Matches and the Final Match
- Award Individual All Around
- Award remaining Top Ten "Overall" winners in each Timed Event
- Wrap-Up



Thanks for your participation in the
2010 WSSA World Sport Stacking Championships!
See you in 2011. Stay tuned to sport stacking at:
www.WorldSportStackingAssociation.org