

ALL TIMED FINALS: Individual, Doubles & Timed 3-6-3 Relay Procedures/Tips for Judges

Timed Finals must follow these procedures:

- 1) Must use WSSA approved **Speed Stacks® brand** sport stacking cups which have not been tampered with or altered in any way.
- 2) Must use a StackMat® Pro and Tournament Display Pro.
- 3) Must be **videotaped** for review and verification purposes. (Note camera placement for each event (attached) —as well as "Video Setup Standard" below.)
- 4) Must have 2 Judges* to judge each try. (One is the "Head" Judge and the other is the "Side" or "Line" Judge.
- 5) Judges Placement for the <u>Individual and Doubles Finals</u> is as follows (also see attached):

 <u>Judge 1</u> (Head Judge)-Positioned in the adjacent side court on the opposite side of the table from the Stacker.

 <u>Judge 2</u> (Side Judge)-Positioned at the side of the table behind the Tournament Display Pro and able to see the Stacker's starting and stopping hand position on the StackMat® Pro Timer.
- 6) Judges Placement for the <u>Timed 3-6-3 Relay Finals</u> is as follows: <u>Judge 1</u> (Head Judge)—same as above Judge 2 (Line Judge)--Positioned in the adjacent side court at the start line.
- 7) Management Cards—Prior to each of the two "warm ups" and three "tries," the Head Judge will hold up a card that indicates each of these. After each try, the two Judges confer, and the Side/Line Judge will then designate with a color-coded card the outcome of that try. (Green Clean Run, Yellow Try in Question (possible Video Review) and Red Scratch.) They will hold this in front of and just below the Tournament Display Pro.

Video Setup Standard

Individual and Doubles Timed Competition

- 1) The camera must be centered on the Stacker, approximately 1.82 m (6 ft.) from the table with a straight on view, on a tripod (encouraged but optional) with Judges positioned as to not obstruct the camera's view of the Stacker. (See "Judges Placement" listed above.)
- 2) The picture frame must include the front view of the following: the StackMat® Pro surface and table top, 12 Speed Stacks® cups, Stacker's hands, Stacker's face and head, and the Tournament Display Pro.
- 3) For identification purposes, each Stacker wears a Stacker ID Badge, centered on the front of their shirt.
- 4) All warm ups and tries must be videotaped.

Timed 3-6-3 Relay Competition

- 1) The camera must be placed at an angle off the corner of the table (see attached).
- 2) The view of the camera must capture a full view of the Stacker from the top of their head to the top of the table, including the Stacker's face and hands, the surface of the StackMat® Pro, 12 Speed Stacks cups, tabletop and Tournament Display Pro. The camera view must also capture a full view of the Waiting Stacker with both feet in contact with the ground. It must also capture the start line, the backcourt centerline, and the Returning Stacker's feet as they cross the start line.
- 3) For identification purposes, the Head Judge will say the name of the team, the division and the event to the video camera before the team's first try.
- 4) Remember, there are no warm ups in the Timed 3-6-3 Relay Competition.
- The entire centerline 5.79 m (19 feet) and the start line 3.35 m (11 feet) must be marked with tape on court, and the StackMat[®] Pro must be butted up to the side edge of the table. (This is important for the camera to capture all things described in #2.)

Video Review Procedure

- 1) The following Officials have the authority to request a Video Review: a representative of the WSSA (if present), Tournament Director(s), Division Manager(s), and the 2 Judges who are judging the division finals.
- 2) If one of the authorized officials questions the outcome of a try, a review will take place at the conclusion of the Stacker's 3 tries if the try in question is the fastest of the 3 tries. If not, there is no need to review it.
- 3) If there is not a consensus after the review, the 2 Judges must request a higher authorized Official to review the try. The higher authorized Official, after reviewing the video and conferring with the 2 Judges, will then make the final judgment.

Judge's Etiquette

- X Do not eat or drink while judging.
- **X** Leave nothing on the table (clipboard in lap, water bottle set next to table leg).
- **X** Do not lean on the table while judging.