



2021 AAU Junior Olympic Games Sport Stacking Championships Complete Championships Guide

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 this competition including Stackers, Relay Team Coordinators, Officials and Spectators, do their best to work together, be good sports, positive role models and have a terrific time!

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AAU Junior Olympic Games Check-In

All stackers must check in on-site with the AAU. A Relay Team Coordinator or other team representative can check-in the athlete. At Check-in, a copy of the stacker's AAU Membership Card must be shown. Participants will receive a credential or wristband to gain admittance into the competition venues. Credentials and wristbands are non-transferable.

- **WHERE:** George R. Brown Convention Center
- **WHEN:** Friday, July 30, 8 am - 6 pm

Sport Stacking Practice and Packet Pick-up

The WSSA has set up a recommended practice time, open to all sport stackers competing in the AAU Junior Olympic Games. This is a great opportunity to meet up and practice with your Relay Team. Contact your Relay Team Coordinator to learn more. Only 2 stackers per Practice Table and please remember to wear masks everywhere except the Competition Tables.

- **WHERE:** Sport Stacking Competition Area
- **WHEN:** Friday, July 30, 12:00 - 4:00 pm

The AAU has an admission fee of \$15 per day or \$45 for all of JO's. These can be purchased at the ticket booths located around the venue. We advise getting these as soon as you can to avoid any lines right before competition.

Before you Arrive Checklist:

Relay Team Coordinators:

- ☐ Make plans ahead of time on when and where to meet your team (the practice time on Friday would be ideal). Have cell phone numbers of parents (and stackers if applicable) with you.
- ☐ You will pick up your Relay Team's Packet, check the schedule for times. Packet contents include: Program, Personalized Prelim Time Sheets, and a Team sign.
- ☐ Each stacker will have two Individual Prelim Time Sheets. Keep the second ones to hand out for use on Day 2.

Stackers:

- ☐ All stackers should bring their own StackMat for practice and their own cups for competition (Speed Stacks will be available for purchase, along with all Speed Stacks sport stacking products).
- ☐ Bring money for food and your official AAU Junior Olympic Games custom apparel.
- ☐ Prearrange a time and place to meet your Relay Team Coordinator and team. Practice is a great time to do this! Be sure you have communicated with them!

Competition Days Checklist:

Relay Team Coordinators:

- ☐ Purchase your Admission Wristband.
- ☐ Find a spot for your team in the Stacker Warm-up Area. **Encourage your team to stay close but still social distance!**
- ☐ Warm-up and On-deck Tables are available. Your team may start warming up anytime. (Competition Tables are off limits until Prelims start!)
- ☐ Prelims begin at 9:00 am on Saturday and may be done at ANY Competition Table in ANY Division. Find the shortest lines.

Stackers:

- ☐ **Only 2 stackers per Practice Table and please remember to wear masks everywhere except the Competition Tables.**
- ☐ Your Relay Team Coordinator will pick up your team packet with all Time Sheets and instructions.
- ☐ Find a table for your team in the Stacker Warm-up Area. Please stay with your team.
- ☐ Warm-up and On-deck Tables are available. Start warming up anytime. (Competition Tables are off limits until Prelims start!)
- ☐ Prelims begin at 9:00 am on Saturday and Sunday. You may compete at ANY table in ANY Division. Find the shortest lines.

Schedule:

Friday July 30th	8:00 - 6:00 pm	Athlete Check-In Hours
	12:00 - 4:00 pm	Open Practice / Team Packet Pick-Up
	1:30 - 2:00 pm	Parent/Coach Meeting
	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Freestyle Friday
	4:00 - 4:30 pm	Prelims: - C/P Sanctioned, C/P Recreational
	4:30 - 5:00 pm	Prelims: - 25+ Timed 3-6-3 Relay
	5:00 - 5:30 pm	25+ Individual HTH
	5:30 - 6:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies
Saturday July 31st	8:00 am	Doors Open, Team Packet Pick-Up
	8:00 - 9:00 am	Warm Ups
	9:00 - 11:00 am	Prelims: - Individual Round , Doubles, Timed Relays
	11:00 - 11:45 pm	Individual HTH: Group 1 (Lunch Group 2)
	11:45 - 12:30 pm	Individual HTH: Group 2 (Lunch Group 1)
	12:30 - 1:00 pm	Finals: - Timed 3-6-3 Relay
	1:00 - 2:00 pm	Finals: - Age Division Doubles, Sanctioned C/P Doubles
	2:00 - 3:00 pm	JRO Challenge All Matches
Sunday August 1st	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Awards: - Timed 3-6-3 Relay, Age Division Doubles, Sanctioned C/P Doubles
	8:00 am	Doors Open
	8:00 - 9:00 am	Warm Ups
	9:00 - 10:00 am	Prelims: - Individual Round 2
	10:00 - 11:00 am	STACKOUT (Cycle) Based on Prelims Round 1 All Around - Top 10 Females - Top 10 Males - Top 10 Special Stackers
	11:00 - 12:00 pm	Individual Finals: Group 1
	12:00 - 12:30 pm	Lunch Break
	12:30 - 1:30 pm	Individual Finals: Group 2 Individual Awards: Group 1
	1:30 - 2:30 pm	Individual Awards: Group 2
	3:00 - 4:30 pm	Stack of Champions (SOC): - Top 3 Timed 3-6-3 Relay, Top 3 Doubles - Individual Events: Top 3 F and Top 3 M - Top 3 Overall Awards will follow each event
	4:30 pm	Awards: Top 3 All Around Champion Female Awards Top 3 All Around Champion Male Awards

Warm-Ups

Warm-up Tables are located in the Stacker Warm-up Area and out on the Competition Floor. In addition, each Competition Table has a corresponding On-deck Table that can be used during warm-up times. The On-deck Tables are also used to warm-up just prior to stacking at the Competition Tables during Prelims and Finals.

Individual Prelims

Prelims do not need to be done at your Age Division Tables but can be done at ANY Division. Look for the shortest lines in ANY Division! Spectators should remain outside of the Competition Area. There will be two rounds of individual Prelims. The best time for each event from either round will be used to qualify for Finals. Male and Female Divisions are for Individual Timed Events only.

- 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 their 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 greeted by a Judge, who will ask for their personalized Individual Prelim Time Sheet.
- Prior to each stack, the Stacker will have the opportunity for two warm-ups before being timed three times for each particular stack. (Warm-ups are optional. Any additional stacking done in between tries counts as the next try, although simply separating or rearranging cups in a stack is not considered stacking.)
- The Judge will record the "Best Time" in each event and then sign the Time Sheet. This sheet will remain at the table to be picked up by a Runner, who will deliver it to the Scoring Area.
- 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 Leader Board), will qualify for that Individual Finals Event.

Doubles Prelims

Doubles teams also start at the On-deck Tables. Once at the Competition Table, Doubles Teams get up to two warm-ups and three tries in the Cycle stack (Special Stackers do the 3-6-3). Once all times have been entered for the Doubles Prelims, the top 5 teams in each Division (posted on Leader Board) will qualify for the Doubles Finals.

Reminder We are running two separate groups for Child/Parent Doubles:

Child/Parent Recreational - You are in this group if only the child is registered to compete in the AAU Junior Olympic Games Sport Stacking Championships. This is a 1 Round only event. Top 3 will be awarded.

Child/Parent Sanctioned - You are in this group if BOTH child and parent are registered to compete in the AAU Junior Olympic Games Sport Stacking Championships. Child/Parent Doubles Prelims take place on the competition tables, see schedule for details. Top 5 will advance to Finals.

Timed 3-6-3 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 Leader Board) will qualify for Finals.

Individual Head-To-Head Relays (Single Elimination)

Stackers report to the Competition Tables that have been assigned to them for that race (announced by a Division Manager).

Subsequent stackers will be called to the On-deck Tables where they will have the opportunity to warm-up. From there, stackers will be called up to compete at a Competition Table when it becomes available. When not at the Competition Table or On-deck Table, you should be at your corresponding Warm-up Table preparing to compete. Spectators must remain outside the Competition Area.

STACKERS: To exhibit good sportsmanship, at the beginning and end of each match, win or lose, please “high five” or elbow bump, or congratulate the other stacker. Please work hard to keep the day positive for everyone involved!

- You will compete at the same Competition Table(s) throughout your Age Division tournament.
- Once you’ve completed each relay match, return to your Warm-up Table in the backcourt area. A large poster will be on display in your Division showing the competition bracket and how you are progressing.
- At all times, keep your EYES and EARS open for your Division Manager. They will give a “first call” and a “last call” for you to compete. If you are late, it will result in an automatic forfeit. If you continue to progress in the tournament, return to your Warm-up area between matches. If you lose and are eliminated, please exit the Competition Area.
- The last two stackers remaining in each Division will qualify to compete in the final match to take place right then. The 3rd and 4th place teams should remain for the medal presentation.
- Once the final match in your Division Tournament is completed, your Division Manager will present awards to the top 4 stackers in your Division. The presentation will be made at your Division close to the spectators.

STACKOUT

The Stackout is a knockout event where stackers compete head-to-head in the Cycle. One stacker is eliminated each round based on scratches or slowest time until there is one winner. Participation in the Stackout is based on the best All Around time from the first round of prelims. This year, we will have 3 Stackout competitions for top 10 Special Stackers, Female Stackers, and Male Stackers.

JRO Challenge

Teams will be formed using the top 32 male and top 32 female stackers based on the cycle times from the first round of Prelims to create 16 highly competitive teams consisting of the top male and female stackers of the morning. Each team will consist of 2 male and 2 female stackers. Alternates will not be placed on these teams. These teams will compete in a dual bracketed, double elimination, H-T-H Cycle tournament. The 2021 JRO Challenge will be run in a socially-distant format with each stacker from each team at their own competition table. On the go signal, all the stackers on both teams will stack a Cycle. The times for each team member will be added together to become the team’s time for that race. If any team member scratches, this will result in a scratch for the whole team in that race. Best 2 out of 3 races will determine the winner of that match. All are invited to watch this Speed Stacks JRO Challenge to see which team can earn bragging rights as the fastest at the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

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

The **top 10 Stackers** in each age division and each event qualify for Finals based on their best prelim times and will compete for 1st through 10th places. Stackers will go one at a time starting with the 10th-ranked finalist ending with the 1st-ranked finalist. Once all 10 stackers have competed, they will be ranked. **See schedule for awards time and location.**

Timed 3-6-3 Relay

The **top 4 relay teams** from the Prelims in each Division qualify for their Divisional Finals. Remember, for this event no warm-ups will take place at the Competition Table once official competition begins. The 4th-ranked team will stack first followed by the 3rd, 2nd and 1st-ranked teams. Once all four teams are compete, they will be video reviewed before results and awards. **See schedule for awards time and location.**

Age Division Doubles Finals

The **top 5 doubles teams** in each of the Age Division Doubles from the Prelims will compete for 1st through 5th places in the Finals. The 5th-ranked team will stack first, followed by the 4th-ranked team continuing in ascending order. Once all five teams have competed, they will be ranked. NOTE: Sanctioned Child/Parent Doubles will run a Finals just like the age divisions do. The Recreational Child/Parent will only be 1 round and will not have Finals.

Stack of Champions

The **top 3 Overall Male and top 3 Overall Female in each individual event, top 3 Overall Doubles and top 3 Overall Timed 3-6-3 relay teams will compete in The STACK of CHAMPIONS to showcase the top stackers.** Beginning with the 3rd fastest from that event, each stacker has earned the opportunity to have another shot at bettering their time and potentially affecting the “Overall” outcome of the tournament. Stackers can only “better” their times; they cannot “lose” what they have previously accomplished. Potential improved times will be video reviewed after the three tries.

Table	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Friday, July 30th												
C/P Doubles	Prelims	Prelims	Rec.	Rec.	Rec.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Timed 3-6-3 Prelims	25+	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Individual H-T-H	25+ 45+		35+		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saturday, July 31st												
Prelims Round 1:	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
Individual H-T-H Group 1	SS18U SS19+		8UM 9-12F		9-10M		11-12M		13-14M		13-16F	
Individual H-T-H Group 2	15-16M		17-24F		17M		18-19M		20-24M			
Timed 3-6-3 Finals		SS		12U 14U		16U 18U	OPEN		19+ 25+ 35+			
Doubles Finals		SS	10U	12U	14U	16U	18U	OPEN	19+	25+ 35+ C/P		
Sunday, August 1st												
Prelims Round 2:	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
Individual Finals Group 1		17-24F SS19+F		20-24M SS19+M		18-19M SS15-18M	15-16M		17M		M1	
Individual Finals Group 2		11-12M SS11-14M		13-16F SS11-14F		13-14M	8UM 9-12F		9-10M		M3 M4	