

BIDDING GUIDE FOR AMERICAN TURNERS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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It is the desire of the American Turners to support the yearly National Championships-Gymnastics, Golf, Bowling, Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Swimming, etc. It is further the desire of the American Turners to establish a system of District Championships to be patterned after the existing system of National Championships.

To help insure yearly activities for the National Turner membership, the American Turners is offering the host society with up to \$1,000.00 as start-up money. The Bidding Guide Worksheet is to be submitted first to the National Office followed by it being sent to the appropriate committee chairperson that is responsible for that particular sport. Next, the Executive Committee will review the contents on the worksheet to determine the amount of start-up monies that will be granted. An Executive Officer will notify the National Office of their decision. This will then be communicated to the NHPEC Chair, the respective committee chair and to the host society. This start-up money is to be used for expenses related to the preparation of hosting a National Championship, such as:

1. Advertising
2. Purchasing awards
3. Equipment rental
4. Non-Turner facility rental
5. Judges/referees/umpires
6. The cost of needed equipment e.g. volleyballs, softballs
(One volleyball per court; One new softball for each game to be played)

When the amount of any of the above items is thought to be excessive, the Executive Committee will discuss the matter with the bidding society through the NHPEC Chairperson and the respective committee chairperson for an adjustment to a reasonable amount. In the event that the National Championship is cancelled, any expenses already incurred and paid for with the start-up money does not have to be returned to the American Turners. However, receipts must be provided to the National Office to confirm how the money was expended. If receipts cannot be provided, the amount of money that is unaccounted for must be returned to the American Turner National Office. Any unused portion of the start-up money must be returned to the American Turner National Office if the National Championship is cancelled. An effort is expected of the Society to return or cancel any covered items to receive a refund or money back even if there is a return re-stocking fee and shipping costs. Then any remaining refund money is to be returned to the National Office.

Upon the host society completing the last column of the Bidding Guide Worksheet (Actual Costs) within 90 days after the event and submitting it to the National Office with paid receipts, the American Turners will consider providing additional money to the host society if a loss is incurred. The total amount given to the host society will not exceed \$1,500.00 (which includes the initial start-up money)

TO BID FOR A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

By National Council action, a society must have its per capita taxes paid up-to-date in order to bid for a National Championship. The bid must be a written statement from the society or district, signed by the President and Secretary. The bid is to be received by the National Office by no later than the prior National Championship for the event or at least nine (9) months before the desired date. Bowling will follow their normal bidding process. Once a Society is chosen by the Bowling Committee to host the National Bowling Tournament, that Society shall submit the Bidding Guide Worksheet to the National Office by June 1 of the

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year preceding the tournament. The bidding organization is to state the desired event, the tentative dates it is to be held, and a projected estimate of the following items that are applicable for their event:

1. Cost of awards-	estimated amount
2. Rental of added space/facility-	“ “
3. Rental of equipment-	“ “
4. Fees for special officials (excluding scorekeepers)-	“ “
5. Estimated participation, number of teams or individuals-	“ “
6. Team or individual entry fees-	“ “
7. Advertising costs-	“ “

From the above information, the National Council shall be polled to consider bids on a geographical, rotational, and financial basis. In order to be considered a National Championship Event and receive start-up money, the minimum entries must number eight (8) teams, or twenty (20) individuals in individual competitive events, from four (4) or more societies and two (2) districts.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The host organization shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Promote the event among the American Turner Societies.
2. Procure awards displaying the American Turner Emblem.
3. Arrange for suitable housing.
4. Arrange for facilities.
5. Arrange for qualified officials (not applicable for Bowling).
6. Arrange an awards ceremony (not applicable for Bowling).
7. Arrange for social functions and their finances.
8. Form a fair schedule, not to interfere with National or local Turner events.
9. Have adequate American Turner cloth emblems available so that each entrant wears proper identification (not applicable for Bowling).
10. Arrange for all competitors to show their American Turners Membership card.
11. Submit an article with pictures to the Editor of the Turner Topics within 90 days after the event.

STIPULATIONS

The American Turners shall have a National Council Representative at the event to see that the agreements are upheld and to aid the host society. (At least one weekend for Bowling – preferably the first weekend)

Should the host society fail to submit above reports to the National Health & Physical Education Chairperson and/or the National Council at a date no later than 90 days following the closing of the event, said society shall be prohibited from submitting bids for any National Championships for a period of two years.