

Per the National Federation of State High School Associations 2018 Track and Field Rule book.

**Rule 6-5-3:** The competitor's weight shall be at or below the manufacturer's pole rating. The manufacturers must include on each pole: the pole rating that shall be a minimum of 3/4 inch in a contrasting color located within or above the top hand-hold position; a 1-inch circular band indicating the maximum top hand-hold position with the position being determined by the manufacturer. Prior to the competition, the Coach must verify that all of the schools' pole vaulters meet these requirements.

Notes:

- 1) *Etchings, serial numbers, etc. that may appear on poles shall not replace the requirement of the manufacturer's pole rating of the minimum 3/4 inch marking in contrasting color on each pole. (6-8-3)*
- 2) *Each state association shall determine its own procedure regarding coaches' verification."*

*Note: Altering the pole in any fashion renders it illegal*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby verify that all my competing pole vaulters' and poles comply with Rule 6, Section 5 (stated above).

**School/Team:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Athlete (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

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Sign and Date