TSSAA Track & Field
Pole Vaulter's Weight Verification Form

Member schools will be required to complete the Pole Vaulter's Weight Verification Form, listing each student participating in the pole vault event. It should be turned into the Clerk of Course at the time of check-in.

Division (circle): I II Classification (circle): A AA AAA

School: _____

Name of Vaulter	**Vaulter's Weight** **Includes full competition uniform & footwear**	**Pole Rating**

Please review the following NFHS rules regarding the pole vault event:
Rule 6-8-15: 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 ¾ inch in a contrasting color located within or above the top handhold position; a 1-inch circular band indicating the maximum top handhold position with the position being determined by the manufacturer. Prior to competition, the coach must verify that all of the school's 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 ¾-inch marking in contrasting color on each pole.
2. Each state association shall determine its own procedure regarding coaches' verification.

Rule 6-8-16: A competitor shall not use a variable weight pole, a pole which is improperly marked or a pole rated below the competitor's weight, or any other equipment that is not legal during warm-up or competition.
NOTE: Altering the pole in any fashion renders it illegal.
PENALTY: Disqualification from the event.
Rule 6-8-17: Prior to warm-up, the field referee or head field judge shall inspect each pole to be used in the competition to verify that the poles are legal equipment, per Rule 3-10-1. This includes checking the placement of a top hand-hold band, numerical pole ratings a minimum of ¾ inches in a contrasting color located within or above the top hand-hold band, and the proper binding of adhesive tape of uniform thickness when used. The binding shall not be on or above the top hand-hold band.
Rule 6-8-27h: It is a foul if the competitor grips the pole above the top hand-hold band.

The signature of a registered TSSAA Track & Field coach below verifies that the pole used by each vaulter listed above meets all NFHS requirements:

Date: _____ **Signature of Coach:** _____