



## Important Information - For All Coaches and Teams

Starting with our June Kickoff Tournament this year and continuing through each event, we are instituting a policy that will enhance the competitive aspect of the events. Teams will have the opportunity to earn a berth in the very popular PGF Shootout, earn preferred placement in the Early Thanksgiving, October Showcase and Summer Showcases; which remain viable recruiting venues. There will also be a means through Surf City events to enhance the chances of receiving a PGF Platinum Berth and in fact earning one of two Platinum Berths that will be set aside in 14U, 16U, 18U

Teams will earn Merits for each event they enter and further Merits based on how far they advance in a tournament, if they are a semi-finalist, or if they win a tournament. Teams that accrue the most Merits will be placed in the most competitive pools at the most desired sites for our most popular Showcase events. As an example... the Early Thanksgiving Showcase Huntington Beach site will have two teams in every pool that are in that pool because of the Merits they earn. The same will hold true for Fountain Valley, and Bill Barber Park.

The teams with the most Merits will be offered a berth to Platinum Nationals in each of the 14U, 16U, 18U Division. Up to four teams in 14U, 16U, 18U may also choose a berth in the PGF Shootout. We will also award equipment to the semi-finalists or tournament winner.

**The following Tournaments will all be elimination type events and Merits will be given as stated below.**

Winter Tournament  
Valentine's Tournament  
June Kickoff Tournament  
September Classic Tournament  
Halloween Tournament  
**Tournament Merits**  
3 Merits for participation  
1 Merit for winning a pool  
1 Merit for each win in the bracket  
3 Merits for winning a semi-final  
3 Merits for winning a tournament

**The following events will remain College Showcase Events.**

June Elite Showcase  
Summer Showcase-With Recruiting Camp  
October Showcase-With Measurement Testing  
Early Thanksgiving Showcase-With Measurement Testing  
Las Vegas Showcase-With On Deck Elite Recruiting Camp  
**Showcase Merits**  
3 Merits for participation  
1 merit for every win  
3 Merits for winning a pool

There will be two Merit Standings kept. One will for teams that do not have to travel, no hotels, and one for teams that stay in hotels. **Both Standings will be published on the Surf City website after each event.**