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## **Rules for the FIG Individual Apparatus World Cup and Challenge Cup Series in Artistic Gymnastics**



**2012**

## 1. **GENERAL PRINCIPLES**

The FIG Individual Apparatus World Cup and Challenge Cup Series will be run every year and begins with the 1<sup>st</sup> event of the year and ends with the last event of the year. This Series is composed of the following two categories:

- Category A - World Cup
- Category B - Challenge Cup

The Series consists of a minimum of 3 events. The maximum number of World Cup and Challenge Cup events in total shall be 8.

The World Cup events are the best events, staged in attractive and well known cities and venues, with guaranteed TV coverage and a limited participation. Their aim is to showcase the world's very best gymnasts in a media and public friendly surrounding.

The Challenge Cup events are major FIG events with a broader participation. They are aimed at supporting the affiliated federations in developing gymnastics worldwide through the organization of high standard FIG international events.

At each event, the gymnasts have the opportunity to win World Cup and Challenge Cup points which will count towards the Individual Apparatus World Cup Ranking List\*. This Individual Apparatus World Cup Ranking List will begin with the 1<sup>st</sup> event of the year and will end with the last event of the year.

*\* The Individual Apparatus World Cup Ranking List includes the World Cup competitions and the Challenge Cup competitions.*

## 2. **RIGHTS AND ADVANTAGES OF FIG INDIVIDUAL APPARATUS WORLD CUP AND CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITIONS**

- Each event will use the official title of "FIG World Cup Competition" or "FIG Challenge Cup Competition" respectively
- Each event will contribute points to the Individual Apparatus World Cup Ranking List (World Cup and Challenge Cup combined).
- Each event will be considered as an official FIG event.
- Each event will be listed in the official FIG calendar of events.
- The event dates will be protected by FIG.
- Each event will be announced in the FIG *World of Gymnastics* magazine.
- Each event will be published on the FIG official website ([www.fig-gymnastics.com](http://www.fig-gymnastics.com)).
- Each event (calendar) will be published and updated regularly on all FIG communication platforms.
- The Organizing Committee of each event will be entitled to use the services of the FIG Offices to send information to all FIG Member Federations by mail and/or through the official FIG website.
- The Organizing Committee of each event will be entitled to use the FIG logo on official communications, posters and programme. This does not apply for any selling item (i.e. T-shirts, souvenirs, etc.).
- The Organizing Committee of each event will be entitled to require assistance from the official MAG and WAG Technical Delegate and the FIG EC Member (if appointed).
- Each event will be included in the official FIG result service system (publication of the results on the FIG website).

### **3. CANDIDATURES AND APPLICATIONS**

#### **3.1 Criteria for approval**

Bids for the Individual Apparatus World Cup and Challenge Cup competitions must be received at the FIG Offices by 30<sup>th</sup> June of the previous year for the following year. The Individual Apparatus World Cup and Challenge Cup competitions for the next season will be assigned by the FIG Presidential Commission in July of the previous year. Candidatures can only be submitted by FIG Member Federations. To be approved, the following minimum requirements must be met:

- All World Cup and Challenge Cup competitions must offer competitions for MAG and WAG.
- World Cup and Challenge Cup competitions may not be combined with any other competitions. Nevertheless, it is allowed to organise other non-conflicting competitions before or after the World Cup/Challenge Cup competition.
- FIG Member Federations interested in organizing a World Cup or Challenge Cup competition must apply in writing to the FIG Offices and complete the appropriate invitation letter and forms provided to them by the FIG as soon as possible, but by no later than 30 June for the following season. Information on the date, the location, the name of the event, the federations which will be invited, the prize money, and the apparatus supplier\* for the competition must be completed.

*\* in addition, a detailed list of equipment (as well as the name of the products as defined on the FIG website) to be used must be completed and submitted to the FIG Offices no later than 6 months before the competition.*

- Applications must include the name and contact address of the Event Manager and the Media Officer.
- Applications for World Cup events must include the name and address of the Host Broadcaster and the name of the person in charge of the production.
- The Organizing Member Federation for World Cup events must offer minimum two different hotel categories for the Delegation members who must pay for their own accommodation and meals. The prices charged for the hotel rooms can not exceed the usual hotel rates.
- The Organizing Member Federation for Challenge Cup events must offer minimum three different hotel categories, including the Official Hotel and one of them being a "low cost hotel". The prices charged for the hotel rooms can not exceed the usual hotel rates.
- The Organizing Member Federation must pay a non-refundable application fee to the FIG of CHF 5'000.- for a World Cup competition and CHF 2'000.- for a Challenge Cup competition. This fee must accompany the invitation letter and forms. The application fee will only be returned in full, should the application not be considered by the FIG Presidential Commission.
- The Organizing Member Federation must pay a deposit of CHF 10'000 for World Cup events and CHF 5'000 for Challenge Cup events. This deposit must accompany the invitation letter and forms. The deposit will be returned in full, should the FIG decide not to assign the event to the Member Federation. The deposit will also be returned in full after the event, provided all conditions of these Rules are fulfilled. Infractions and/or non-fulfilment of conditions set out in these Rules will result in the FIG not returning the deposit in full. The deposit will be lost in full (i.e. stay with FIG) if the dates, the city, or the venue of the event are changed by the Organizing Member Federation or if the event cannot be organised by the Organizing Member Federation (see also point 12.3 of these Rules).
- Late applications, applications which are not complete, or are not accompanied by the application fee and the deposit are refused.

### 3.2 Assignment of World Cup and Challenge Cup competitions by the FIG Presidential Commission

Preference will be given to the leading tournaments with:

- the highest media and public impact
- the highest prize money and other advantages provided to the gymnasts and participating member federations
- experienced and reliable Organising Member Federations and Organising Committees
- traditional and worldwide established tournaments
- a good integration in the FIG Competition Calendar
- attractive and large venues, located in famous leading cities of the world
- television coverage
- venue capacity of min. 3'000 to 5'000 seats.

Upon confirmation of the proposed invitation letter and forms from the FIG Offices, the organizers must invite, at least four months prior to the date of the event, the eligible Member Federations.

The respective Technical Committees will propose at least 3 months prior to the date of the event one MAG and one WAG Technical Committee member or one MAG and one WAG expert (to be approved by the FIG President) to serve as MAG and WAG Technical Delegates. These Technical Delegates must receive all information from the Organizing Committee and they must be present at the event. The MAG and WAG Technical Delegates will serve as President of the Superior Jury.

*Note: should there not be a minimum of 3 valid applications by the deadline of 30 June, no Artistic Gymnastics Individual Apparatus World Cup Series will be held in the following year.*

## 4. RULES AND REGULATIONS

The competition must be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in these World Cup and Challenge Cup Rules for Artistic Gymnastics:

- Statutes
- Technical Regulations
- License Rules
- Code of Points and relevant Newsletters
- General Judges' Rules
- Specific Judges' Rules for Artistic Gymnastics
- Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions
- Doping Control Rules
- Media Rules
- Apparatus Norms
- Advertising and Publicity Rules
- Accreditation Rules
- Regulations for Awards Ceremonies

*and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee*

## 5. COMPETITION FORMAT AND PARTICIPATION

### 5.1 World Cup competitions

The Individual Apparatus Competitions for World Cup competitions consist of:

- Qualifications
- Finals

Qualifications:

- Participation is limited to 12 gymnasts, plus the Wild Cards for the Organising Member Federation (limited to maximum 1 man and 1 woman on one apparatus only) provided the organising member federation has no qualified gymnast at any apparatus. Wild Card gymnasts must be named at the time of the closing of the nominative registration.
- Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country on each apparatus.
- The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add (only for the qualifications) “hors concours” competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official competitors of the Organizing Member Federation, they must be named at the time of the closing of the nominative registration and they cannot qualify for the Finals. They are not eligible to receive World Cup Points and prize money and they must not appear on the official results lists.
- The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name a max. of “2 hors concours” competitors in Women’s Artistic Gymnastics and a max. of “2 hors concours” competitors in Men’s Artistic Gymnastics for a total of 4 “hors concours” gymnasts (while one “hors concours” gymnast can compete on more than one apparatus, the 2 “hors concours” gymnasts cannot compete on the same apparatus).
- Until the time of the drawing of lots, in case of gymnasts' withdrawal, the FIG will invite the next eligible gymnasts as per the "Replacement Policy" as outlined in these rules.
- Once the draw has been conducted, in case of gymnasts' withdrawal or in case places remain "empty", the Organising Member Federation is entitled to nominate and invite gymnast(s) from its country or a country of its choice to fill those "empty" places (limited to maximum 2 gymnasts per country on each apparatus). It is understood that such invitations must be made through the respective member federation and that the FIG must be informed. These gymnasts will receive World Cup points, medals and prize money.
- The Wild Card gymnast will have to start first, except if an “hors concours” gymnast is participating on the same apparatus, in which case the Wild Card gymnast will compete second and the “hors concours” gymnast first.
- FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied.

Finals:

- The best four gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals.
- Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country and each apparatus.
- In addition, the Organizing Member Federation has the right to a limited number of Wild Cards to guarantee the participation of the Host Country gymnasts in the Finals (limited to maximum 1 man and 1 woman gymnast only on one apparatus each).
- These “Wild Card Gymnasts” must have participated at the respective apparatus in the qualification and will have to start first in the Finals.
- “Wild Card Gymnasts” will receive medals and prize money, but they will not receive World Cup Points.
- FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie will not be broken. The tied gymnasts will all have the same rank, but subsequent ranks will be skipped:
  - 1, 1, 3, 4
  - 1, 2, 2, 4
  - 1, 2, 3, 3Tied gymnasts will receive the same medal and World Cup Points:
  - 1, 1, 3, 4 (two gold medals, no silver medal, one bronze medal)The Prize Money will be added and divided by the number of gymnasts :
  - 1, 1, 3, 4 (Prize Money for Rank 1 and 2 is added and divided by 2)

- 1, 2, 2, 4 (Prize Money for Rank 2 and 3 is added and divided by 2)
- 1, 2, 2, 2 (Prize Money for Rank 2, 3, and 4 is added and divided by 3)
- 1, 2, 3, 3 (Prize Money for Rank 3, 4 is added and divided by 2)

## 5.2 Challenge Cup competitions

The Individual Apparatus Competitions for Challenge Cup competitions consist of:

- Qualifications
- Apparatus Finals

### Qualifications:

- Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country on each apparatus.
- The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add (only for the qualifications) “hors concours” competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official competitors of the Organizing Member Federation, they must be named at the time of the closing of the nominative registration and they cannot qualify for the Finals. They are not eligible to receive World Cup points, they must not appear on the official results lists and they will have to start first at every apparatus.
- The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name a max. of “4 hors concours” competitors in Women’s Artistic Gymnastics and a max. of “4 hors concours” competitors in Men’s Artistic Gymnastics for a total of 8 “hors concours” gymnasts (i.e. while one “hors concours” gymnast can compete on more than one apparatus, not more than one “hors concours” gymnast can compete on an apparatus).
- FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied.

### Finals:

- The best eight gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals
- Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country and each apparatus.
- In addition, the Organizing Member Federation has the right to a limited number of Wild Cards to guarantee the participation of the Host Country gymnasts in the Finals (maximum 1 man and 1 woman gymnast only at one apparatus each).
- These “Wild Card Gymnasts” must have participated at the respective apparatus in the qualification.
- “Wild Card Gymnasts” will have to start first, they will receive medals and prize money, but they will not receive World Cup points.
- FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie will not be broken. The tied gymnasts will all have the same rank, but subsequent ranks will be skipped:
  - 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
  - 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
  - 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8

Tied gymnasts will receive the same medal and World Cup Points:

1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (two gold medals, no silver medal, one bronze medal)

The Prize Money will be added and divided by the number of gymnasts:

1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 1 and 2 is added and divided by 2)

1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 2 and 3 is added and divided by 2)

1, 2, 2, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 2, 3, and 4 is added and divided by 3)

1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 3, 4, and 5 is added and divided by 3)

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7 (Prize Money for Rank 7 will be divided by 2)

## 6. INVITATION

### 6.1 World Cup competitions

The Organizing Member Federation must invite all Member Federations according to the following principles:

Places	Participation criteria
Places 1-8	The top 8 ranked gymnasts in C-III at the previous* World Championships / Olympic Games. <i>These places are nominative.</i>
Places 9-10	The best 2 gymnasts per apparatus from the 2011 World Cup (Category A) Ranking List for Individual Apparatus (in case of a tie at any of the first 2 places, the tie will not be broken). <i>These places are nominative.</i>
Places 11-12	The best 2 gymnasts per apparatus from the 2011 Challenge Cup Ranking List for Individual Apparatus (in case of a tie at any of the first 2 places, the tie will not be broken). <i>These places are nominative.</i>

The participation of these nominatively qualified gymnasts (places 1-12) must be confirmed as soon as possible, but no later than 3 months prior to the competition. Failure to confirm in due time will automatically result in the FIG inviting the replacement as outlined here below.

In case a qualified gymnast (places 1-12) does not accept to participate in the World Cup competition or does not confirm participation in due time or withdraws, he/she is replaced by

- the gymnasts ranked 9-10 in C-I (on the respective apparatus) at the previous\* World Championships / Olympic Games. These places are nominative and must be confirmed as soon as possible, but no later than 2 months (nominative registration) prior to the competition.
- a gymnast from the best ranked federations in C-IV at the previous\* World Championships / Olympic Games. These places are allocated to the National Federation, and must be confirmed as soon as possible, but no later than 2 months (nominative registration) prior to the competition.

\* For the World Cup competitions taking place before the 2012 Olympic Games, the gymnasts' qualification will be based on the 2011 World Championships results and for the World Cup competitions taking place after the 2012 Olympic Games the gymnasts' qualification will be based on the 2012 Olympic Games results.

In any case, no federation may participate with more than 2 male and 2 female gymnasts per apparatus (except "Hors Concours" gymnasts).

### 6.2 Challenge Cup competitions

The organizing member federation may invite FIG member federations in good standing at their discretion, but must invite at least all Member Federations who had gymnasts:

- ranked 1-8 in C-III at the previous\* World Championships / Olympic Games
- ranked 1-8 from the 2011 World Cup (Category A) Ranking List for Individual Apparatus
- ranked 1-8 from the 2011 Challenge Cup Ranking List for Individual Apparatus

This provision must be mentioned in the invitation letter for FIG approval.

## 7. REGISTRATIONS AND DELEGATIONS SIZE

On-line registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations. Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid FIG License may participate.

## 7.1 World Cup competitions

The maximum size of the invited delegations is as follows:

Delegation member	Men	Women	Joint
Head of Delegation	1	1	1
Coach (max. 1 per gymnast*)			
Gymnasts (all eligible gymnasts)			
Doctor	1	1	1
Physiotherapist	1	1	2
Judges	1	1	2

*Note:\** including Wild card and "hors concours" gymnasts

## 7.2 Challenge Cup competitions

The maximum size of the invited delegations is as follows:

Delegation member	Men	Women	Joint
Head of Delegation	1	1	1
Team Manager	1	1	2
Coach (max. 1 per gymnast *)	3	3	6
Gymnasts **	6	4	10
Doctor	1	1	1
Physiotherapist	1	1	2
Judges	2***	2***	4

*Notes:*

\* including Wild card and "hors concours" gymnasts

\*\* the Organizing Member Federation may limit the maximum number of gymnast per delegation. This provision must be mentioned in the candidature and in the invitation letter for FIG approval.

\*\*\* Two judges only if confirmed by the FIG and Organising Committee

## 8. REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Registrations must be made exclusively on-line via the FIG website or accordingly.

Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegations members concerned will not be authorized to participate.

### 8.1 For World Cup competitions

Confirmation of participation for the nominative places *	3 months prior to the competition
Nominative registration	2 months prior to the competition

\* *Note:* Cancellation of participation after this confirmation will result in the respective Member Federation being responsible to indemnify the Organising Member Federation for all costs incurred in terms of travel expenses, hotel accommodation and meal reservations.

### 8.2 For Challenge Cup competitions

Provisional registration*	4 months prior to the competition
Definitive registration	2 months prior to the competition
Nominative registration	4 weeks prior to the competition

\**Note:* it is not compulsory for the Organising Member Federation to request a Provisional Registration.

Late registrations are subject to fines as follows:

Fine for missing or late Provisional registration (if any)	<b>CHF 500.-</b>
Fine for missing or late Definitive registration	<b>CHF 750.-</b>
Fine for missing or late Nominative registration	<b>CHF 500.-</b>

**ATTENTION:** The Organizing Committee will be responsible for checking the validity of the gymnast' Licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration.

## **9. FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS FOR THE PARTICIPATING FEDERATIONS, THE ORGANIZING MEMBER FEDERATION AND FIG**

### **9.1 World Cup competitions**

Unless stated otherwise in the invitation letter and forms, the invited participating federations must pay for:

- Travel costs for the delegation members (see exception herein below)
- Accommodation expenses for the delegation members (see exception herein below)
- Meals expenses for the delegation members (see exception herein below)
- Entry fees, if requested by the OC and approved by the FIG.

The Organizing Member Federation must pay minimum for:

- Travel costs for the apparatus medallists at the previous World Championships/ Olympic Games present at the event and their respective coach (1 max. per gymnast)
- Accommodation expenses for all gymnasts, their respective coach (1 max. per gymnast) as well as 1 MAG judge and 1 WAG judge
- Meals expenses (full board) for all gymnasts, their respective coach (1 max. per gymnast) as well as 1 MAG judge and 1 WAG

<b>Delegation member</b>	<b>Travel NF</b>	<b>Travel OC</b>	<b>Accommodation and meals NF</b>	<b>Accommodation and meals OC</b>
<b>Head of Delegation</b>	X		X	
<b>Coach</b> (max. 1 per gymnast)		X		X (full board)
<b>Gymnasts</b> (all eligible gymnasts)		X (medalists)		X (full board)
<b>Doctor</b>	X		X	
<b>Physiotherapist</b>	X		X	
<b>Judges</b>	X			X (1 - full board))

### **Additional Provisions**

The Organising Member Federation must pay for:

- All costs for the preparation and the running of the event
- TV production costs
- Application fee and deposit to the FIG
- Local travel expenses as well as the accommodation costs incl. breakfast for the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates
- International and local travel, accommodation, and meals costs for any invited neutral judges approved by FIG
- FIG regular competition fee as decided by the Executive Committee and ratified by the Council 2002 (5% of the prize money).
- Prize money
- Local transportation and hotel accommodation incl. breakfast for one FIG Executive Committee member if appointed by the FIG President.

The FIG must pay for:

- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates
- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for one FIG Executive Committee member if appointed by the FIG President

Delegation member	Int'l. travel OC	Int'l. travel FIG	Accommodation, local travel and meals - OC	FIG	OC
Preparation and running of event					X
TV production					X
Application fee					X
Competition fee					X
Prize money					X
Technical Delegate		X	X (breakfast)	Per diem	
Executive Committee		X	X (breakfast)	Per diem	
Invited neutral Judge confirmed by FIG	X		X		

## 9.2 Challenge Cup competitions

Unless stated otherwise in the invitation letter and forms, the invited participating federations must pay for:

- Travel costs for the delegation members
- Accommodation expenses for the delegation members (see exception herein below)
- Meals expenses for the delegation members (see exception herein below)
- Entry fees, if requested by the OC and approved by the FIG.

The Organizing Member Federation must pay for:

- Accommodation expenses, including full board, for the gymnasts ranked 1-3, per apparatus, competing in the event from:
  - the 2011 World Championships (if the event takes place before the Olympic Games) / 2012 Olympic Games (if the event takes place after the Olympic Games)
  - the 2011 World Cup (Category A) Ranking List
  - the 2011 Challenge Cup (Category B) Ranking List

### Additional Provisions

The organising member federation must pay for:

- All costs for the preparation and the running of the event.
- Application fee and deposit to the FIG.
- Local travel expenses as well as the accommodation costs incl. breakfast for the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates.
- International and local travel, accommodation and meals costs for any invited neutral judges approved by FIG.
- FIG regular competition fee as decided by the Executive Committee and ratified by the Council 2002 (5% of the prize money).
- Prize money
- The local transportation and hotel accommodation incl. breakfast for one FIG Executive Committee member if appointed by the FIG President.

The FIG must pay for:

- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates
- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for one FIG Executive Committee member if appointed by the FIG President.

**10. PRIZE MONEY**

The organising member federation must pay the following minimum Prize Money of a total of CHF 100'000.- for World Cup events and of a total of CHF 25'000.- for Challenge Cup events as follows:

Event Type	World Cup events	Challenge Cup events
Individual Apparatus	CHF 10'000.- (per apparatus)	CHF 2'500.- (per apparatus)

The Prize Money will be distributed as follows:

Ranking	World Cup events	Challenge Cup events
1	3'000	750
2	2'400	600
3	1'600	400
4	1'000	250
5	800	200
6	600	150
7	400	100
8	200	50

The prize money and its distribution per rank must be mentioned in the invitation letter.

No prize money, medals and World Cup Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating federation per apparatus. This provision must be mentioned in the invitation letter.

**11. JUDGES' PANELS**

Each Judges' Panel must be composed as follows:

- World Cups: 2 D judges, min. 5 E judges, plus 1 Supervisor
- Challenge Cups: 2 D judges, min. 4 E judges, plus 1 Supervisor.

The number of Judges' Panels may be decided by the organizing member federation depending on the number of participating competitors and judges. Not more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted (except for Time and Line Judges).

The Judges' Panels are set up by a draw from the judges present at the event. The draw must be directed by the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates. The participating Member Federations must send minimum one qualified judge for MAG if they participate with male gymnasts and one qualified WAG judge if they participate with female gymnasts. The Organizing Member Federation is entitled to apply a fine of CHF 2'000 per missing judge (to be paid to the OC) should a federation fail to bring the required number of judges. This provision must be mentioned in the invitation letter.

The Organizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG brevetted judges present with the appropriate valid category of brevet for their function. Should there not be sufficient judges as per the on-line nominative registration, the Organizing Member Federation must propose to the FIG for approval the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 2 reserves, 1 man and 1 woman). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Such invitation must be made through the respective Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG Office in consultation with the TC Presidents concerned will invite these judges at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation.

### **Video control system**

Should IRCOS not be available, the Organizing Member Federation must provide another video control system which allows to treat inquiries and records all exercises of the competition in a quality which allows to judge the exercises.

## **12. MEDIA REQUIREMENTS**

### **12.1 Television**

For World Cup competitions, television coverage is compulsory. For Challenge Cup competitions, the same requirements will apply provided that a television production is available even if not compulsory.

The Organizing Member Federation must guarantee the production of a basic feed (international signal) at least for the Final rounds. This feed must conform to professional standards. A clean feed is required which must include the official competition standings, billboards and results but without any added commercial inserts.

It is acknowledged and agreed that all National television rights remains with the Organizing Member Federation.

The organizing member federation must deliver to the FIG within 48 hours after the end of the competition, the video master of the basic feed on Digi Belatcam PAL tape. These footages are supplied to FIG free of charge. Production costs and postage are at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. FIG may use these tapes at its discretion.

### **12.2 Television and Marketing Rights**

TV and reproduction rights together with publicity (including logo and insignia) and marketing rights concerning the World Cup events are the property of the FIG.

#### **12.2.1 TV Rights for World Cup competitions**

For the 2012 World Cup competitions, the TV rights are released free of charge and granted exclusively for a period of three month after the competition and then on a non-exclusive basis until one year after the event. Then the rights are back with the FIG. FIG also releases for a period of one year all Internet rights worldwide to each Organizing Member Federation on a non-exclusive basis under the conditions that streaming and downloading video clips shall be granted on a free basis.

The release of the TV Rights shall be effective under the condition that:

- each Organizing Member Federation undertakes to provide the FIG Office with a Beta tape copy (Digital Beta PAL Format) of the TV Production within 48 hours after the end of the competition
- each Organizing Member Federation undertakes to provide the FIG Office with the contact details of the Host-Broadcaster as well as the contact details of the company or person in charge of the International TV Rights Distribution at least three months prior to the event
- the Organizing Member Federation does not enter into any agreement valid longer than 2012.
- that the Organizing Member Federation submits International TV Rights contracts to the FIG for written approval prior to signature

For 2013 and onward FIG may, in order to extend the exposure of the World Cup competitions, bundle all TV rights of the 2013 (and future) World Cup Artistic Gymnastics competitions and distribute them as a package (all events together) by the FIG Office or through an agent. The total net revenue of the International television sales will be shared with the Organizing Member Federations on an equal basis.

### **12.2.2 TV Rights for Challenge Cup competitions**

Upon request, the FIG Presidential Commission may release the TV Rights free of charge. Should the Organizing Member Federation wish to have a TV coverage and obtain the rights, an application form must be requested as soon as possible, but by no later than 4 months prior to the event. The application form must be returned completed, duly signed and stamped by the President or Secretary General of the respective affiliated federation.

### **12.2.3 Marketing Rights**

For 2012, the FIG releases all Marketing rights (including the publicity space on the apparatus) free of charge to the Organizing Member Federation. It is understood that the FIG Advertising and Publicity Norms must be respected.

## **12.3 Results**

The Technical Delegate is responsible that the results of the competition, signed by the respective Technical Delegate, are sent by e-mail to the FIG Offices immediately after the end of the respective competitions.

The Results and the updated World Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG web site within 24 hours after the end of the respective competitions to the conditions that the Organizing Member Federation respects the following process:

### **12.3.1 Before the competition (7 days):**

The FIG Office will send the event's ID, the list of registered gymnasts with their respective licence number and a template of the electronic results file (empty) to the federation who organizes the competition.

### **12.3.2 After the competition:**

The organizer must return to the FIG at the end of the competition:

A copy of all detailed results (qualifications & finals) in PDF format and duly signed by the respective MAG and WAG Technical Delegates for archival purposes only.

The organizer must also return to the FIG maximum 24 hours after the competition:

An electronic file in XLS or CSV format on 8 columns using the same structure as the template previously sent by the FIG Office including necessary information for automatic processing of results and awarding points for the World Cup Ranking List.

If the above deadlines are not respected or if the FIG does not receive any electronic results file in the format specified above, the Organizing Member Federation's deposit will be lost in full.

## **13. DOPING CONTROLS**

The Organizing Member Federation must provide at its own charge a minimum of 6 doping controls, 3 for Women and 3 for Men. Failure to do so will result in the deposit being lost in full.

## **14. ASSIGNMENT OF POINTS FOR THE INDIVIDUAL APPARATUS WORLD CUP RANKING LIST**

Separate men's and women's World Cup Ranking Lists (World Cup and Challenge Cup combined) are established for Individual Apparatus Competitions (i.e. for each apparatus). These lists begin with the first World Cup/Challenge Cup event of the year and end with the last World Cup/Challenge Cup event of the year as follows:

<b>Individual Apparatus Competitions</b> (World Cup and Challenge Cup combined)	
Floor	Vault
Pommel Horse	Uneven Bars
Rings	Balance Beam
Vault	Floor
Parallel Bars	
Horizontal Bar	

The World Cup / Challenge Cup points are assigned to the competitors by name.

Rank	World Cup competitions	Challenge Cup competitions
1	50	30
2	45	25
3	40	20
4	35	18
5	30	16
6	25	14
7	20	12
8	18	10
9	16	8
10	14	7
11	12	6
12	10	5

In case that less than four federations participating per apparatus, no World Cup points, no medals and no prize money will be given.

## **15. WINNER OF THE ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL APPARATUS WORLD CUP SERIES**

The winner of the annual Individual Apparatus World Cup & Challenge Cup Series is the gymnast with the highest number of points for each apparatus after the last event of the year as follows:

- If 5 or more World Cup Competitions take place per year, the best 4 are counted
- If 4 or 3 World Cup Competitions take place per year all points are counted

A special award ceremony must be held at the last Individual Apparatus World Cup/Challenge Cup competition of the year in which the Individual Apparatus World Cup & Challenge Cup winners shall receive a Cup.

In case of a tie in the respective World Cup Ranking Lists after the last respective competitions of the year, the tie will not be broken.


## **16. DRAWING OF LOTS**

The gymnasts' drawing of lots for all World Cup and Challenge Cup events will take place at the FIG Headquarters in Lausanne (SUI) within two weeks after the closing date of the nominative registration (Appendix I).

These Rules have been amended by the Presidential Commission on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011 with authorization of the FIG Executive Committee.

Lausanne, July 2011

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## **Procedures for Drawing of Lots – Individual Apparatus competitions**

### ***World Cup competitions***

#### **Qualifications for MAG and WAG**

- To prepare bowl #1 with the names of the gymnasts competing on MAG FX, including the “empty places” if any.
- To prepare bowl #2 with numbers from 1-12 (i.e. starting order)
- To draw alternately from bowl #1 and from bowl #2 until all gymnasts are assigned their starting order on FX
- To repeat the same procedure for MAG PH-SR-VT-PB-HB and WAG VT-UB-BB-FX

#### **Finals for MAG and WAG**

- To prepare bowl #1 with: “gymnast ranked 1 after CI” - gymnast ranked 2 after CI - gymnast ranked 3 after CI - gymnast ranked 4 after CI on MAG FX
- To prepare bowl #2 with numbers from 1-4 (i.e. starting order).
- To draw alternately from bowl #1 and from bowl#2 until all gymnasts are assigned their starting order on MAG FX
- To repeat the same procedure for MAG PH-SR-VT-PB-HB and WAG VT-UB-BB-FX

The TD, in consultation with the OC has the right to apply minor adjustments to the draw and starting order on site should the nominative registrations received or the final number of participants at the time of the competition generate organizational problems in terms of competition schedules and numbers of judges panels.

### ***Challenge Cup competitions***

#### **Qualifications for MAG and WAG**

- To prepare bowl #1 with the names of the gymnasts competing on MAG FX
- To prepare bowl #2 with numbers from 1 and onwards (i.e. starting order), according to the number of registered gymnasts in MAG FX
- To draw alternately from bowl #1 and from bowl #2 until all gymnasts are assigned their starting order on FX
- To repeat the same procedure for MAG PH-SR-VT-PB-HB and WAG VT-UB-BB-FX

#### **Finals for MAG and WAG**

- To prepare bowl #1 with: “gymnast ranked 1 after CI” - gymnast ranked 2 after CI - gymnast ranked 3 after CI - gymnast ranked 4 after CI, etc on MAG FX
- To prepare bowl #2 with numbers from 1-8 (i.e. starting order).
- To draw alternately from bowl #1 and from bowl#2 until all gymnasts are assigned their starting order on MAG FX
- To repeat the same procedure for MAG PH-SR-VT-PB-HB and WAG VT-UB-BB-FX

The TD, in consultation with the OC has the right to apply minor adjustments to the draw and starting order on site should the nominative registrations received or the final number of participants at the time of the competition generate organizational problems in terms of competition schedules and numbers of judges panels.