FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE

2017-2020 FIG JUDGES' RULES

SPECIFIC RULES FOR WOMEN'S ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS

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The FIG has approved 2017 FIG General Judges' Rules which are applicable to all competitive disciplines. The specific rules and clarifications listed below apply only to this discipline and are in compliance with the General Judges' Rules.

ARTICLE 1 JUDGES' COURSES

Each Intercontinental and International Course, as well as the Federation requested courses, will last 5 days. (Arrival and departure days not included).

The Course will include a theory examination on the Code of Points and the Technical Regulations and a practical examination on video.

1.1 Intercontinental Course

- Each country will be permitted to send a maximum of two (2) judges (cat. 1, 2 or 3) to the Intercontinental Course, plus maximum (2) two current cat. 1 judges.
- New and current FIG WTC members, along with WAG Continental Union TC Presidents, are in addition to these quotas.
- Judges participating must be Category 1, 2, or 3.
- Judges sanctioned (sanctions as per FIG Statutes Art. 43.2 except point a) during the period starting 01.01.2013 to the date of the course may not participate in an Intercontinental judges' Course.
- At the Intercontinental Course, all judges from an individual federation that achieve the requirements for Category 1 will be awarded Category 1.
- All judges who wish to raise or maintain their category must take the examination.
- If the minimum passing grade is not achieved by a judge at the Intercontinental Course, that judge may retest at an International Course.
- Category 1 may be achieved at the Intercontinental Judges' Course only.

1.2 International Courses

- Judges with Category 1, 2, 3, 4 and judges with the highest national brevet may participate. The number of judges is limited to 15 judges per Federation per course. Should places be available after the registration deadline, additional judges may be accepted among the judges registered by their federation as "reserves".
- Participants are able to qualify up to Category 2.

1.3 Federation requested judges' courses

The Federation requested judges' courses are organized by national federations, upon request and approval of FIG.

These courses are conducted for participants who want to get an international category 4 brevet. They are open to judges with international brevet or with minimum highest national level.

Participants are able to achieve only Category 4.

1.4 Examination Retest

A judge who wishes to achieve a higher score may retest at another International Judges' Course. A judge who failed and wish to obtain a brevet has to attend the entire course and take the examination.

- Judges who wish to retest must submit the retesting application form to the FIG Office and to the WTC President prior to the International Course (retest)
- 13th cycle Cat. 1 judges: With repetition of both Theory and Practical exams, Category 2 is the maximum that can be obtained, provided the judge has fulfilled the necessary criteria for Category 2.
- With successful repetition of the Theory and Practical exams, all judges will be awarded the category, as was indicated by all standards achieved on the second examination.

ARTICLE 2 EXAMINATION

2.1 Summary of Evaluation Method for Examinations

This Summary of Evaluation Methods for Examinations is provisional and will be confirmed by the WTC after completion of the Intercontinental Course.

2.1.1 Theory

An emphasis will be made to present questions requiring little or no knowledge of any specific language, and the examination will also contain 4 official FIG languages (English, Spanish, Russian, French).

50 questions (1.00 point per answer)	Maximum = 100%

The Theory part consists of 50 multiple choice questions:

- 7 Questions – General
- 7 Questions – Vault
- 12 Questions – Uneven Bars
- 12 Questions – Balance Beam
- 12 Questions – Floor Exercise

2.1.2 Practical D-jury

15 exercises (5 per apparatus, excluding Vault)	Maximum = 100%
Candidates will list Element Values (DV), Compositional Requirements (CR) total, and Connection Value (CV) total.	The final score will be the average percentage from all exercises.
The calculation of D score for each routine consists of the following steps: 1. Determine the number of mistakes in the judge's D score 2. Assign percentage based on the number of mistakes.	
Candidates will lose 10% for each incorrect Element Value (DV) number in an exercise. Composition Requirement (CR) will lose 10% for each 0.5 deviation and Connection Value (CV) will lose 10% for each 0.1 deviation.	

Maximum time for evaluation and listing of required components of D jury is 90 seconds.

2.1.3 Practical E-jury

20 exercises (5 per apparatus)	Maximum = 100%
Scores are based on a calculation program using the table below. To determine the candidate score for an exercise, look for the specific Expert Deductions row then follow the row to locate the Difference from Expert Deductions for the final percentage awarded for the exercise.	The final score will be the average percentage from all exercises.

Examination Table

Difference from Expert Deductions														
Expert Deductions	**0.0**	**0.1**	**0.2**	**0.3**	**0.4**	**0.5**	**0.6**	**0.7**	**0.8**	**0.9**	**1.0**	**1.1**	**1.2**	**1.3**
0.00-0.20	100%	80%	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
>0.20-0.60	100%	100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	10%	0%	0%	0%
>0.60 – 1.40	100%	100%	100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	10%	0%	0%
>1.40 – 2.40	100%	100%	100%	100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	10%	0%
>2.40	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	40%	30%	20%	10%

Maximum time for evaluation of E jury is 60 seconds.

2.2 Examination Evaluation Scale (provisional)

The percentage score required for each category in the examinations will be fixed by the Technical Committee at the conclusion of the Intercontinental Course. The scores will remain the same for the remainder of the cycle.

Practical D Jury	
Excellent	100% - 90%
Very Good	89.99%- 85%
Good	84.99% -80%
Pass	79.99% - 75.00%
Unsatisfactory (Fail)	74.99% & below

Practical E Jury	
Excellent	100% - 90%
Very Good	89.99%- 85%
Good	84.99% -80%
Pass	79.99% - 75.00%
Unsatisfactory(Fail)	74.99% & below

Theory	
Excellent	100% – 88.00%
Very Good	87.99% - 80.00%
Good	79.99% -75.00%
Pass	74.99% - 70.00%
Unsatisfactory (Fail)	69.99% & below

Minimum Standards to achieve or maintain each category (from General Judges' Rules)

Category 1	**Category 2**	**Category 3**	**Category 4**
Theory = Very Good Execution = Very Good Difficulty = Excellent	Theory = Good Execution = Very Good Difficulty = Very Good	Theory = Pass Execution = Good Difficulty = Good	Theory = Pass Execution = Pass Difficulty = Pass

ARTICLE 3 CATEGORY 1 AND REFERENCE JUDGES

3.1 Category 1 Judges – qualification and quotas

The WTC must assure that enough Category 1 judges are selected to fulfil the necessary responsibilities required during the cycle.

- The top 25 judges (excluding TC members) from the ranking list fulfilling the criteria for cat. 1 judges are selected.
- Should there not be a minimum of 13 federations within the top 25 judges, the percentage to reach “Excellent” in difficulty will be adapted until 13 federations are represented. All judges fulfilling the adapted criteria will receive cat. 1.

3.2 Category 1 Judges’ Draw

The pool of initial D judges will be determined by Category 1 judges in rank order according to their results achieved in the Examination.

This ranking will be done by the results of the Practical Examination D-jury portion.

- For World Championships: Category 1 judges will be drawn by name for the D positions. The judges of the respective Federation cannot be taken into consideration during the cycle, until all the federations have been drawn.

3.3 Reference Judges

The pool of initial Reference judges will be determined by Category 1 and 2 judges with “Excellent/” results from the Practical examination E-jury portion at the Intercontinental and International Course.

JEP results will also be used to determine Reference judges later in the cycle.

ARTICLE 4 JUDGES’ EVALUATION

The Judges’ Evaluation Program (JEP) serves as a tool for the WTC to

- control the objectivity of the judges during the competition
- for the analysis of the judges after the competition (post competition control), and
- establish an overall evaluation of the judges during the cycle by the WTC. The evaluation of the judges’ work over a period of one Olympic cycle serves to award and discipline judges.

For more details, refer to JEP rules available on the FIG website.

When the JEP system is not available a judge is assessed throughout the competition by the FIG TD.

4.1 R/E- Jury Evaluation

An R/E-Jury Evaluation will be conducted during and after the competition.

Should bias be indicated in the “During Competition” JEP-report and/or in the post- competition report, then PCVR (by the TC will be required to confirm if the bias can be substantiated and the judges work therefore deemed unsatisfactory.

4.2 D-Jury Evaluation

During the entire cycle the WTC will also make an accurate evaluation of the D-judges to determine the best judging panels.

The WTC will take into consideration:

- relevant mistakes in determination of the D-score
- slowing down the competition by the D-jury
- any signs of team/individual bias

ARTICLE 5 THE JUDGES' NOMINATION, SELECTION AND DRAW

The judges' nomination, selection and draw procedure is based on the principles in the Technical Regulations.

The WTC will draw the D-judges prior to submitting the judge's list for the selection of the Reference judges.

If a judge is drawn for the D-panel, then no other judge from the same federation will be proposed for a Reference Judges' position.

The D, R and Execution judges in the panel must be from different federations.

In Apparatus Finals the E/R judges must be "neutral". In Team Final the E/R judges must be "neutral".

If a NF rejects the draw/nomination as D or R Judge, this judge may not be selected to another position for the same competition. In the case of the Olympic Games and Youth Olympic Games, no other position will be assigned to another judge from this federation.

The E-jury draw for Apparatus Finals at World Championships will be conducted among the Cat. 1 and Cat. 2 judges.

ARTICLE 6 MISCELLANEOUS AND FINAL PROVISION

Refer to the 2017 FIG General Judges' Rules for the following topics:

- General Principles
- Examination Principles
- Conditions to obtain or maintain Category for the 14th cycle 2017 - 2020
- Judges' Brevet and Judges' Logbooks
- FIG Academy Coaches Course (Level 3 only)
- Competition Groups, Judges' courses and eligibility
- Recognition/Awards, Sanctions and Appeals of Judges – For FIG Official Competitions

ARTICLE 7 FINAL PROVISIONS

The principles of the FIG General Judges' Rules have been approved by the Executive Committee.

This 2017 – 2020 FIG Specific Judges' Rules for Women's Artistic Gymnastics, have been approved by the Presidential Commission at its meeting on July 1st 2016 and updated in September 2016. They enter into effect on January 1st 2017, but apply to the Intercontinental Judges' Course held in December 2016.

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