FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



FIG World Challenge Cup Varna, Bulgaria 26 - 29 May 2022



DIRECTIVES

Dear FIG affiliated Member Federation,

Following the decision of the FIG Executive Commission, the Gymnastics Federation of **Bulgaria** has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG World Challenge Cup.

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HOST FEDERATION	Bulgarian Gymnastics Federation 75 Vasil Levski BLvd. 1040 Sofia, Bulgaria Tel.: + 359 2 9300 614 Fax: + 359 2 9800 626 e-mail: <u>gymnasticsevents@gmail.com</u> and <u>bulgym@yahoo.com</u> website: <u>www.gymnastics.bg</u>
LOCATION	Varna, Bulgaria
DATES	From 26 th to 29 th May 2022
VENUE	PALACE OF CULTURE AND SPORTS
	Address: 115 "Knyaz Boris I" bd. 9000 Varna
	Telephone: (+359) 52 645 133
	Fax. (+359) 52 647 785
	e-mail: office@palaceofvarna.com
	Website: www.palaceofvarna.com
	Training Hall and Warm-up Hall - Palace of Culture and Sports
APPARATUS SUPPLIER	A detailed list of Spieth equipment to be used for this World Challenge Cup will be published on the FIG web site. For training, warm-up and competition identical apparatus will be used.
RULES AND REGULATIONS	 The competition will be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in the World Challenge Cup Rules in Artistic Gymnastics: Statutes Code of Ethics Code of Conduct Technical Regulations License Rules Code of Points, relevant Newsletters, and Helpdesk General Judges' Rules Specific Judges' Rules for Artistic Gymnastics Medical Organization of FIG Competitions and Events

FEDERATIONS INVITED PARTICIPATION AND FIG LICENSE	 Anti-Doping Rules FIG Framework for Safeguarding Athletes and other Participants from Harassment and abuse in Sport during Events Media Rules Apparatus Norms Rules for Advertising and Publicity Accreditation Rules Rules for Advertising and Publicity Accreditation Rules Rules for Awards Ceremonies and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG (e.g. annual membership fees, unpaid invoices, etc.) or the LOC may not be allowed to participate in this World Challenge Cup. Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Local Organizing Committee by the given deadline in these Directives may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation. The Organizing member federation may invite FIG member federations in good standing at their discretion, but must invite at least all Member Federations which had: gymnasts ranked 1-50 per apparatus in the Qualifications at the last World Championships (Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games if no World Championships are held in 2021) preceding the respective World Challenge Cup Series. Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid FIG License may participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for the approximation in the organize participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for the application. 					
FIG LICENSE	FIG License may participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for checking the validity of the gymnasts' licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration. While the Organizing Member Federation may limit the maximum number of gymnasts per delegation, except for the eligible gymnasts, the maximum size of the invited delegation is as follows:					
	Delegation member	r	Men	Women	Joint	
	Head of Delegation		1	1	1	
	Team Manager		1	1	2	
	Coach (max. 1 per g	ymnast*)	3	3	6	
	Gymnasts		6	4	10	
	Medical Doctor		1	1	1	
	Paramedical staff		1	1	2	
	Judges		2	2	4	
	* including Wild card	and "hors concours" g	ymnasts			
AGE LIMITS	Age limit for MAG: 18	years (born in 2004) o	or before			
	Age limit for WAG: 16	years (born in 2006 or	r before			
REGISTRATION DEADLINES	Provisional, Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively on-line via the FIG website (<u>http://www.fig-gymnastics.com</u>). These on-line registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations. 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.					
	Provisional registration	26th January 2022 (4 months prior to the Midnight Swiss Time	e event)			

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ENTRY FEES	participate. The non-reimbursable cost for the Entry Fee (approved by the FIG) is of 30 EUR per gymnast. At the time of the Definitive entry (2 months prior to the event) 100% of the entry fee must be paid to the LOC. The entry fee is not refundable. Entries without payment of the entry fees will be considered as invalid and will be refused		
ACCREDITATION	 Each federation will be taken to the accreditation desk upon arrival. In order to accelerate the accreditation procedure, please send to the Local organizing committee by email at <u>gymnasticsevents@gmail.com</u> a photo of each delegation member together with the Nominative registration. The specification of the photo should be as follows: File format: JPG, JPEG Dimensions: 190 pixels wide x 250 pixels high File name: NOC_Surname_Firstname If a photo has to be taken during the accreditation because none has been sent within the deadline or sent in the unofficial requested format, there will be a charge of 10 EUR for each photo taken at the accreditation desk. During the accreditation the Head of Delegation must present the following: Passports of all members of the delegation Insurances of all members of the delegation National anthem (on CD) and national flag (150 x 100 cm) Competitors' music WAG (CD 1 copy) Proof for full payment of the costs due to the LOC Transport - Departure License of the gymnast As far as the number of accreditations per federation is concerned, the World Cup Regulations will be strictly applied. In addition, the LOC will distribute information regarding the safeguarding Officer 		
COMPETITION FORMAT	Qualifications and A Qualifications: Participation i In addition, th of 4 "hors Federation) i concours" co Men's Artistic	e Cup competitions consist of:	wed to name a max. organizing Member a max. of 4 "hors ober Federation) in ours" gymnasts (i.e.

	 apparatus, not more than one "hors concours" gymnast can compete on an apparatus). 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 Challenge Cup points, they must not appear on the official results lists and they will have to start first at every apparatus. FIG Apparatus Finals rules will be applied for vault. In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up in the Technical Regulations, Section 2, shall be applied. Finals: The best eight gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per NF on each apparatus. In addition to the 8 finalists, if the Organizing Member Federation is not represented in the Finals (men or women), it has the right of maximum 2 wild cards as follows (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 receive medals and prize money. FIG Apparatus Finals rules will be applied for vault. In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up in the Technical Regulations.
DRAWING OF LOTS	The gymnasts' drawing of lots for all FIG World Challenge Cup events will take place on site, during the orientation meeting or during a separate function organized for that purpose with invitation to all participating NFs. At the time of the nominative registration, the apparatus on which the gymnast will compete must be mentioned. Modifications can be made until accreditation. Gymnast may be changed and apparatus can be added as long as 2 gymnasts/apparatus/NF is respected.
PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	 24 May 2022 Delegations' arrival / Free Training 25 May 2022 Orientation Meeting / Official training per schedule/ Judges Meeting 26 May 2022 Judges Meeting / Opening Ceremony / Qualification MAG (FX-PH-SR) & WAG (VT-BB) 27 May 2022 Judges Meeting / Qualification MAG (VT-PB-HB) & WAG (UB-FX) 28 May 2022 Judges Meeting / Finals MAG (FX-PH-SR) & WAG (VT-BB) /Award Ceremony 29 May 2022 Judges Meeting / Finals MAG (VT-PB-HB) & WAG (UB-FX)/ Award Ceremony/ Farewell Party 30 May 2022 Departure of all delegations
EVENT MANAGER	Iliya Yanev - Local Competition Director iliayanev@gmail.com

MEDIA	Event Media Officer: Krastina Ivanova Tel.: +359 88 808 8854
	Email: <u>krastina.ivanova@bnr.bg</u>
SOCIAL MEDIA	Event's website: https://gymnastics.bg
	Facebook page: VARNA FIG World MAG & WAG Challenge Cup
	Instagram page: varna_world_cup
MEDICAL SERVICES	An ambulance, doctors and physiotherapists will be available at all stages of
	Training, warm up and competition
COVID 19	Besides the FIG medical guidelines for the particular event, FIG also requires all the participants to follow the standard precautions.
	The FIG requires all participants, judges and officials to take standard precautionary measures, such as frequent hand-washing, wearing masks or face coverings at all times and keeping a physical distance of at least 1.5 metres whenever possible.
	The only situation in which the safety distance does not have to be respected is when a coach provides assistance (catch, lead, spotting) during an athlete's performance. This phase must be kept as short as possible and the assisting person is obliged to wear a mask throughout.
	Gymnasts do not need to wear a mask or face covering while they are performing at the training venue or on the FOP and keeping a physical distance of at least 1.5 metres whenever possible.
OFFICIAL HOSPITAL	Medical Center for Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine of Varna Varna, 39A Seliolu str. tel. +35952 613 781
	email: mcrsm@abv.bg
DOPING CONTROLS	The Organizing Member Federation will provide at its own charge a minimum of 6 doping controls, 3 for Women and 3 for Men.
VISA	Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the Bulgarian Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Bulgaria . The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made before 26th March 2022 to the LOC.
	The request must include the function, full name, gender, date of birth, citizenship and passport number, passport expiry date, the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member as well as the city the visa application support letter must be sent to.
INSURANCE	The Host Federation, the LOC and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness (including COVID-19), repatriation and the like.
	The FIG Technical Regulations foresee that all participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness, accidents and repatriation for all the members of their Delegation.
	Basic insurance (sickness, accident and repatriation) in your country of residence is compulsory in order to be able to benefit from coverage by FIG IMSSA subsidiary insurance. Please also refer to https://www.gymnastics.sport/site/pages/medical-insurance.php for additional information regarding the FIG IMSSA insurance for Athletes and Judges.

	If the note has not been sent in advance to the LOC (which is strongly recommended), the LOC will verify the insurance coverage upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy).
	The insurance must be valid at least starting from the arrival day of the delegation and must last for the delegations' entire stay
	Delegation members with insufficient insurance coverage must inform the LOC in advance. The LOC will subsequently offer insurance coverage at the Federations own charge as follows: 10 euro per person/day.
INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION	The invited participating federations must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members.
	The Travel Schedule Form must be returned to the LOC by 26 th April 2022.
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	Federations that have arranged accommodation through the Organisers will be transferred by bus from Varna Airport or Varna railway station to the official hotels, and from the official hotels to and from the competition venue and vice versa. Otherwise the cost of € 50 (per delegation member) for the local transportation
	must be paid to the OC by 26^{th} April 2022.
ACCOMMODATION	All accommodations through the LOC include:
ACCOMMODATION	 Accommodation Breakfast Dinner Banquet Transport from Varna Airport or Varna railway station to the competition
	venue or hotel and back
	Transport from the hotel to the competition venue and back.
	Category I Hotel – Official Hotel (5*)
	The costs per person / night in this first Official Hotel are as follows:
	140,- € (single room, <u>including breakfast and dinner</u>)
	110,- € (double room, including breakfast and dinner)
	Category II Hotel – Second Hotel (4*)
	The costs per person / night in this second Hotel are as follows: 110,- € (single room, <u>including breakfast and dinner</u>) 90,- € (double room, <u>including breakfast and dinner</u>)
	Category III Hotel – Third "Low cost" Hotel (3*)
	The costs per person / night in this second Hotel are as follows: 90,- € (single room, <u>including breakfast and dinner</u>) 80,- € (double room, <u>including breakfast and dinner</u>)
	The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. While the Accommodation Form must be returned to the LOC by 26th March at the very latest, the Hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis. The invited participating federations must pay for the accommodation expenses of their delegation members. The costs for the extra persons are the
	same as for the official delegation members.

	The costs for the accommodations must be paid to the LOC as follows: At the time of the Definitive registration, 26th March 2022 , 50% of the accommodation costs must be paid to the LOC. Entries without the payment of the 50% of the Accommodation costs will be considered as invalid and will be refused. The remaining 50% of the Accommodation costs must be paid by 26th April 2022.		
	Cancellation policy: By 26 th March 2022 – 100 % refund From 27 th March 2022 to 26 th April 2022 – Cancellation fee: 50% of the total price of the cancelled rooms for the requested period of accommodation From 27 th April 2022 – no refund		
MEALS	The invited participating federations must pay for the meals' expenses of their delegation members.		
	Delegations that book their accommodation through the LOC have accommodation, breakfast and dinner in their package.		
	Tickets for lunch (20,-€/person/lunch) can be purchased through the LOC.		
	The Meals Form must be returned to the LOC by 26th April, 2022 at the very latest. The costs for the meals must be paid to the LOC by the same date, 26th April, 2022 .		
	No refund will be made after the deadline of the Nominative registration.		
FINAL BANQUET	Delegations that book their accommodation through the LOC are invited free of charge to the Final Banquet.		
	Delegations having not booked their accommodation through the LOC may purchase tickets to the Final Banquet at 30 euro per person.		
	The tickets of the Final Banquet will be available for purchase at LOC office for 30 euro and must be paid to the LOC during the accreditation at latest.		
FIG TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND	The FIG Technical Delegates will be designated by the FIG.		
EC MEMBER	The FIG Technical Delegates will serve as Presidents of the Superior Jury.		
JUDGES AND PANELS	Each Judge's panel will be composed as follows:		
	• 2 D judges (min cat. 2)		
	Minimum 4 E judges (min cat. 3)		
	The number of judges' panels will 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 will apply a fine of CHF 2'000 per missing judge (to be paid to the LOC) should a federation fail to bring the required number of judges. This fine must be paid to the LOC by 26th April 2022 .		

	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 for MAG and 1 for WAG). 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 (in terms of international and local travel, accommodation and meals) of the Organizing Member Federation. For additional judge's requirements see the Specific Judges' Rules.			
VIDEO CONTROL SYSTEM	another video	S not be available, the O control system which le competition in a quali	allows to treat inq	uiries and records all
PRIZE MONEY	The organising member federation must pay the minimum Prize Money of a total of CHF 28'000 for each World Challenge Cup event as follows, per apparatus: The Prize Money, free of any deductible taxes, will be distributed in CHF as follows:			
		Ranking	Amount CHF	1
		1	800	
		2	600	
		3	400	
		4	300	
		5	250	
		6	200	
		7	150	
		8	100	
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ASSIGNMENT OF POINTS FOR THE WORLD CHALLENGE CUP SERIE		each competition, Worl s to the competitors by	name as follow:	
		Rank	World Challen Points	ge Cup
		1	30	
		2	25	
		3	20	
		4	18	
		5	16	
		6	14	

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		7	12	
		8	10	
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		12	5	
		e at any rank, the numbe the number of ties.	er of points of the equal ranks	are added
		ess than four federation points will be given.	s participating per apparatus	s, no World
		•	points assigned, separate g Lists are established on eacl	
		World Challenge	e Cup Ranking Lists	
		MAG	WAG	
		Floor Exercise	Vault	
		Pommel Horse	Uneven Bars	
		Still Rings	Balance Beam	
		Vault	Floor Exercise	
		Parallel Bars		
		Horizontal Bar		
	These Rankin	g Lists are established a	fter the first World Challenge	Cup event
			Challenge Cup event of the y	
WINNER OF THE ANNUAL WORLD CHALLENGE CUP SERIES	The winner of the annual World Challenge Cup Series is the gymnast with the highest number of points on the respective apparatus after the last event of the year, taking into consideration the best results (maximum 3), regardless of the number of competitions the athletes participated in.			
	Should there be a tie after the last competition, it will be broken as follows:			
	a. The rai	nks of the max. three (3)	counting exercises will be add	
	gymnast with the lowest total prevails.			
	Note: in case of a tie in the ranks to determine the three counting exercises, the exercises with the highest final scores will prevail.			
	b. If the tie remains, the final scores of the max. three (3) counting exercises will be averaged and the gymnast with the highest average prevails.			
	c. If the tie remains, the total E-scores of the max. three (3) counting exercises (max. six (6) scores for Vault) will be averaged and the gymnast with the highest average prevails.			
	d. If the tie remains, the total D-scores of the max. three (3) counting exercises (max. six (6) scores for Vault) will be averaged and the gymnast with the highest average prevails.			
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MARKETING	FIG advertising and publicit	ty norms must be respe	ected		
TELEVISION	For the World Challenge C	up competitions televis	ion coverage is compulsory.		
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	Sports Editors' office: sport				
	Contact person: Mr. Evgen				
	Mobile phone : +359 898 7		lay of departure of the event		
SAFEGUARDING	From the official date of arrival until the official day of departure of the event, participants (gymnasts, coaches, judges and any other delegation members)				
	have the opportunity to contact by phone or e-mail the LOC Safeguarding Officer				
	in case of harassment or abuse of any type or if they are worried or do not feel				
	comfortable.				
	The information regarding the LOC Safeguarding Officer will be communicated				
	upon arrival of the delegations.				
	In addition, posters of the "10 Golden Rules of Gymnastics" – the FIG campaign				
			nnastics - will be displayed in		
	several locations, including	training and warm-up	halls and public zones.		
DEADLINES	Provisional Registration (c	on line)	26 th January 2022		
SUMMARY	Definitive Registration (on		26th March 2022 poslané 25.3.22		
	Nominative Registration (on line)	26 th April 2022		
	Visa Request Form		26 th March 2022		
	Travel Schedule Form		26 th April 2022		
	Accommodation Form		26th March 2022 poslané 25.8.22		
	Meals Form		26 th April 2022		
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ADDITIONAL	We welcome your delegation members at the sea capital of Bulgaria -
INFORMATION	Varna city to experience unforgettable moments.

Sincerely Yours,



Sofia, 10.06.2021 Place and date:

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Signature of the President or Secretary General of the FIG affiliated NF