# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE





# 7<sup>th</sup> FIG ACROBATIC GYMNASTICS WORLD AGE GROUP COMPETITION

# Lake Buena Vista, Florida (USA) April 16-23, 2012



**DIRECTIVES** 



#### Dear President,

The FIG is pleased to herein provide you with the Directives for the 7<sup>th</sup> Acrobatic Gymnastics World Age Group Competition to be held in Lake Buena Vista (Florida, USA) from 16 to 23 April, 2012.

These World Age Group Competition will be organized following the 2011 FIG Statutes, the 2011 Technical Regulations, the 2009-2012 Acrobatic Gymnastics Code of Points and Tables of Difficulty, the World Age Group Competition Rules 2012 as well as all other Rules and Guidelines valid starting 01 January 2012, onwards, any possible amendments by the date of these World Championships, and any supplements decided in the meantime.

All participating Federations commit to abide by the Statues and all FIG Rules and Regulations. Federations not respecting them will not be allowed to compete.

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# 3. LOCATION OF THE COMPETITION, TRAINING AND WARM-UP HALLS

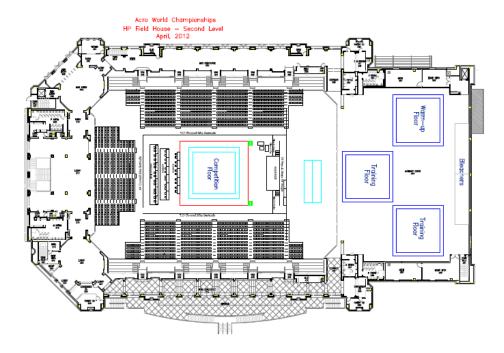
Competition	HP Fieldhouse at ESPN Wide World of Sports
Hall	Lake Buena Vista, Florida (USA)
	Website: <a href="http://espnwwos.disney.go.com/">http://espnwwos.disney.go.com/</a>
	The competition hall will include the competition floor along with 3
	training floors located above the competition floor.
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Warm-up	HP Fieldhouse at ESPN Wide World of Sports
Hall	Lake Buena Vista, Florida (USA)
	Website: <a href="http://espnwwos.disney.go.com/">http://espnwwos.disney.go.com/</a>
	The warm-up and training halls are located in the competition hall
	upstairs area. This area includes 3 floors to be used for warm-up and
	traning

Training	Jostens Center at ESPN Wide World of Sports
Halls	Lake Buena Vista, Florida (USA)
	Website: <a href="http://espnwwos.disney.go.com/">http://espnwwos.disney.go.com/</a>
	The Training Halls are next to the Competition Hall. This area includes 3
	floors to be used for warm-up and traning.











# 4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM (SUBJECT TO CHANGES)

Monday - April 16	Arrival of delegations for the World Age Group Competitions
Tuesday – April 17	Training as per Schedule
Wednesday – April 18 9:00am	Training as per Schedule Deadline to submit Tariff Sheets Judges Meeting Tariff Sheet evaluation Orientation meeting
Thursday – April 19	Training and Podium Training as per Schedule
All day	Tariff Sheet evaluation continues Athlete Measurements (after podium training) Opening Ceremony
Friday – April 20	<b>WAGC</b> - Competitions
All day  Saturday – April 21	11-16 WG Balance/ MXD Dynamic WP Balance/MP Dynamic MG Balance  12-19 WG Balance/MXD Dynamic WP Balance/MP Dynamic MG Balance WAGC – Competitions 11-16
All day	WG Dynamic/MXD Balance WP Dynamic/MP Balance MG Dynamic  12-19 WG Dynamic/MXD Balance WP Dynamic/MP Balance MG Dynamic
Sunday – April 22	WAGC - Competitions
All day	Finals all disciplines 11-16 Finals all disciplines 12-19 Closing ceremony Farewell Party
Monday – April, 23	
All day	Departure of Delegations

Please note: Schedule is *provisional* and may be adjusted after entries are received

#### **Leotard Checks**

**NO** Leotard checks will take place. Coaches and gymnasts are advised to pay careful attention to all of the rules regarding competition attire. As a reminder, dark pants or legs or unitards must be broken in color from hip to ankle. **Approval from previous competitions does not guarantee no penalties will be applied in the current competition.** 



#### 5. PARTICIPATION AND SIZE OF THE DELEGATION

Gymnasts from FIG affiliated federations in good standing may take part in these World Championships. The maximum size of each delegation as per FIG Technical Regulations 2011, Section 5 and FIG Rules for Accreditation as follows:

An individual is entitled to only one accreditation card. If an individual has several valid "accreditable" functions, the highest function is normally selected, and no substitutes may directly benefit from unused accreditations.

#### **MAXIMUM DELEGATION SIZE**

#### **Gymnasts:**

- Athletes per National Team may not exceed 30.
- National teams may include no more than two pairs or two groups in a particular discipline category in any age group event.
- Each athlete may compete in one discipline only and one Age Group only.
- Pairs and Groups who have ever previously competed in the World Championships, World Cup, World Games or senior Continental Union Championships may not compete in the World Age Group Competitions. Individuals who have competed as seniors, but are now in newly formed groups or pairs, are eligible.
- Pairs or groups who have competed in the 12-19 age group in any FIG approved competition, including continental championships, may not compete in the same partnership in the 11-16 age group. Individuals who have competed in the 12-19 age group but are in newly formed pairs or groups, are eligible to compete in the 11-16 age group

#### Officials:

Function		Number
Head of Delegation		1
Team Manager	if 4 and more units	1
	if 8 and more units	2
Coach	if 1 unit	1
	if 2 to 7 units	2
	if 8 and more units	3
*Additional coach for 4 and more units		1
Judge (in accordance with T.R. Section I, or Difficulty Judge appointed by the ACRO		2
Doctor		1
Physiotherapist		1
Additional Doctor or Physiotherapist *	if 4 and more units	1
	if 8 and more units	2
Chaperone per 10 competitors *		1
Guest for delegations *	if 1 to 4 units	1
	if 5 and more units	2
Transferable access card zone 1 coach		1
Transferable access card zone 3 coach	if 1 to 4 units	1
	if 5 and more units	2
Transferable access card zone 1 medical	staff	1
Transferable access card zone 3 medical	staff	1
Transferable access card zone 3 Team Ma	anager or Head of Delegation	1

<sup>\*</sup> Accreditation at the charge of the Federation



#### **Transferable cards:**

Transferable cards may only be used by persons already accredited and must always be used in conjunction with the primary accreditation card. They are only transferable within the Federation's official delegation and appropriate function.

Lost transferable cards will not be replaced.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY ACCREDITATIONS

The following supplementary Accreditations (either free of charge or at the charge of the Delegations or the FIG Authority) as per the accreditation rules may also be delivered to the FIG affiliated federations and FIG Authorities, provided that a request is sent in writing to the FIG by 2012 January, 18.

FIG Honorary Members	Free of Charge
Former Olympic and World Champions	Free of Charge
NF President as Guest if not as Head of Delegation (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating, local transportation and banquet)	\$150 US
NF President as Guest if not as Head of Delegation (if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating only)	\$150 US
NF President as VIP Guest if not as Head of Delegation (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating, VIP Lounge, local transportation and banquet)	\$150 US
NF President as VIP Guest if not as Head of Delegation (if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating and VIP Lounge)	\$150 US

Accompanying person of an NF President	\$150 US
VIP Accompanying person of an NF President	\$150 US
VIP Accompanying person of TC Members	\$150 US
VIP Accompanying person of EC Members	Free of Charge
VIP Accompanying person of FIG and former IFSA Honorary Members	Free of Charge

Organizers of future multi sports Games, World and Continental Championships (if assigned, or in case of candidature / bidding contracts) other than the next AG World Championships	
Observers (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating, local transportation and banquet as well)	\$150 US
Observers (if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating as well)	\$150 US
VIP Observers (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating, VIP Lounge, local transportation and banquet as well)	\$150 US
VIP Observers (if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating and VIP Lounge as well)	\$150 US

Organizers of the next Acrobatic Gymnastics World Championship Maximum 6 accreditations including 2 VIP	
Observers maximum 6 (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating, local transportation and banquet as well)	Free of Charge
Observers maximum 6 (if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating as well)	Free of Charge
VIP Observers maximum 2 included in the above maximum 6 (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating, VIP Lounge, local transportation and banquet as well)	Free of Charge



VIP Observers maximum 2 included in the above maximum 6 (if	
accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to	Free of Charge
the VIP seating and VIP Lounge as well)	_

Additional Observers	
Additional Observers (if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating, local transportation and banquet as well)	\$150 US
Additional Observers (if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the delegations seating as well)	\$150 US
Additional VIP Observers, if accommodation booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating, VIP Lounge, local transportation and banquet as well.	\$150 US
Additional VIP Observers, if accommodation not booked through the Organizing Committee: access to the VIP seating and VIP Lounge as well	\$150 US

#### **PAYMENT**

The payment of these accreditations (at the charge of the Delegations or the FIG Authority) must be made exclusively to the Organizing Committee by bank transfer by 2012 January, 18 at the very latest as follows:

Beneficiary:	National Travel Systems
Beneficiary	4314 South Loop 289 Ste 300
address:	Lubbock, Texas 79413
Bank name:	City Bank
Bank address:	5211 Brownfield Highway Lubbock, Texas 79408/001-806-792-7101
	Bank Telephone
Branch	N/A
Account Number:	26171702
ABA:	111301737

All bank fees in connection with the bank transfers must be covered. Please state the name of the federation (or the FIG Authority), the contact person and the payment purpose on the transfer. The payment must be made in USD (US Dollars) only.

In case of lost or stolen accreditation, the Organising Committee must be informed immediately to block the accreditation. Lost or stolen accreditations may be replaced at the charge of the card holder (\$50). Lost or stolen transferable cards will not be replaced.

For Media Accreditations, please contact directly the FIG Media Officer, Mr. Philippe Silacci (at psilacci@fig-gymnastics.org). The FIG Accreditation rules have to be strictly respected.

The accreditation for the World Age Group Competition is not valid for the World Championships and vice versa.

#### **6. AGE LIMITS**

The age of the ACRO competitors (in the year of the competition) is minimum 11 years old (born 2001 or older) for the 11-16 Category and a minimum of 12 years (2000 or older) for the 12 – 19 Category (maximum 6 years of difference between the gymnasts, except Men's Group).

#### 7. REGISTRATIONS AND ENTRY FEES

Registrations can only be made by FIG affiliated federations in good standing.



#### **Provisional Registration**

The provisional registrations must be completed by entering the composition of the delegation online and by using the National Gymnastics Federations' intranet login and password, from now till 2011 December, 9 the very latest.

## **Definitive Registration**

The definitive registrations must be completed by entering the composition of the delegation online and by using the National Gymnastics Federations' intranet login and password, from 2011 2011 December, 10 till 2012 January, 18 at the very latest.

Definitive registrations received in the FIG Offices after the drawing of lots will be refused (i.e. the gymnasts will not be allowed to compete).

#### **Nominative Registrations**

The nominative entries must be completed by entering the composition of the delegation online and by using the National Gymnastics Federations' intranet login and password, from 2012 January, 19 till 2012 March, 14 at the very latest.

#### **Entry Fees**

The non-reimbursable registration fee is:

CHF 100.- per gymnast

The total amount must be paid to the FIG by 2012 January, 18 to:

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Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique		
Beneficiary	Av. de la Gare 12	
beneficially	CH-1003 Lausanne	
	Switzerland	
Account	272-56301649.0	
Bank	UBS SA, P.O.Box, CH-2501 Bienne/Switzerland	
	CH40 0027 2272 5630 1649 0	
IBAN	Please note that IBAN-code is applicable only for bank wires within	
	Europe.	
SWIFT/BIC	UBSWCHZH80A	

All bank fees in connection with the bank transfers must be covered. Please <u>state the name of the federation</u>, the contact person and the payment purpose on the transfer. The payment must be made in CHF only.

The total amount of the entry fees are to be paid simultaneously with the submission of the definitive entry, by 2012 January, 18 at the latest. (In principle, in the case of either none or partial participation, the inscription fee will not be reimbursed).

Registrations without the appropriate payment of the registration fees within the given deadline will be considered as invalid (i.e. the gymnasts will not be allowed to compete).

Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG (e.g. annual membership fees, unpaid invoices etc.) and the Organizing Committee will not be allowed to participate in these World Championships.

#### **Fines**

The fines after missing the Registrations deadlines or after late Registrations are as follows (as per the Technical Regulations):



Fine after missing the Provisional Registration deadline or after late Provisional Registration		
Fine after missing the Definite Registration deadline or after late Definite Registration (until the gymnast's drawing of lots)		1′500
Fine after missing the Nominative Registration deadline or after late Nominative Registration	CHF	1′000

For each member of the delegation the photo (Identity Colour photo in format JPEG - 45mm x 35mm) must be integrated in the Form. For gymnasts and judges a copy of valid passport (format JPG) is to be added.

Please send the picture with this information:

- File format; .jpg or .jpeg
- Dimensions; 190 pixels wide x 250 pixels high (file size approximately 50kb)
- File name; NOC\_Surname\_Firstname (eg GBR\_Smith\_John\_WCh.jpg)

The delegations who filled in the form correctly with all requested information and documents will received their accreditation first, upon arrival.

Delegations who did not respect this directive will have to wait at the accreditation center.



If the form has not been filled in correctly or if the photo has to be taken at the Accreditation because none has been sent within the deadline or not sent in the official requested format, there will be a charge of \$10 US for each photo taken at the accreditation desk.

The accreditation sent without pictures will not be handled with priority. You may wait at the accreditation desk.

#### 8. LICENSES

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.

#### 9. JUDGES

The FIG brevetted judges are designated by their Federation and selected for the panels by draw, taking into consideration the degree of the brevet, according to the Judges' Rules.

#### Jury of Appeal

The Jury of Appeal will be decided on site.

#### 10. DRAWING OF LOTS

The drawing of lots will decide the starting order of the qualification competitions and the finals. The drawing of lots will take place within two weeks after the deadline of the definitive entry. The exact date, time and location will be announced by the FIG to the parties concerned which are entitled to be present at the draw.

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#### 11. COMPETITIONS FORMAT AND PROGRAMME

#### Competition Format and Rules:

Age Group 11-16 years (WP, MP, MXP, WG, MG) Age Group 12-19 years (WP, MP, MXP, WG, MG)

As per FIG Technical Regulations 2010, Special Regulations 11-16 and 12-19, updated January 2012, Code of Points 2009-2012 Edition and Difficulty Tables 2009-2012 Edition. Please also see the FIG Newsletters.

#### Competition structure:

#### Qualifications:

Each pair and group presents one Balance and one Dynamic exercise.

Places after the qualifications are determined by the sum of scores from the two exercises, Balance and Dynamic.

#### Finals:

#### Age Group 11-16:

Competitors cannot participate in a Final without competing in both the Balance and Dynamic qualifying events.

One Balance or Dynamic Exercise as follow:

Women's Pairs: Balance
Mixed Pairs: Dynamic
Men's Pairs: Balance
Women's Groups: Dynamic
Men's Groups: Balance

The top eight proceed to a Final with not more than one from each federation in each event category. If there are less than 12 entries to a category, only 6 may proceed to the Final.

If there are less than 4 countries participating in a category, no medals will be awarded: tokens of participation will be given.

The competition starts from a mark of zero.

No team ranking.

#### **Age Group 12-19:**

Competitors cannot participate in a Final without competing in both the Balance and Dynamic qualifying events.

Finalists perform one Combined Exercise.

The top eight proceed to a Final with not more than one from each federation in each discipline. If there are less than 12 entries to a category, only 6 may proceed to the Final.

If there are less than 4 countries participating in a category, no medals will be awarded; tokens of participation will be given.

The competition starts from a mark of zero.

No team ranking.

#### 12. BIOGRAPHIES

The gymnasts' personal data will be controlled and completed by the FIG Media Staff upon accreditation of the Delegation in Lake Buena Vista in order to update the gymnasts' biographies.



#### 13. PUBLICITY

As the Code of Points foresee deductions should the FIG Publicity rules on attire and equipment not be respected, each federation may fill-in the online FIG Publicity form if deemed necessary from now till 2012 January 18.

Please pay attention to the guidelines for the size of emblems of the country and for advertisements.

Please consult:

While the Publicity Rule Chart is available on the FIG website under "Rules" for additional information, you may also contact directly the FIG Media Officer, Mr. Philippe Silacci (at <a href="mailto:psilacci@fig-gymnastics.org">psilacci@fig-gymnastics.org</a>) for further assistance if required.

# 14. EQUIPMENT

Manufacturer Supplier: American Athletic, Inc. (AAI)
Color: AAI Blue with White border

reference number: 432-495, International "Elite" Artistic Floor Exercise System

#### **15. VISA**

Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the USA Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to United States of America.

The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made before Wednesday, January 18, 2012. The request must include the function, full name, gender, date of birth, citizenship and passport number, passport expiry date, and the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member For Visa request, please use the Forms attached (Appendix 4).

General visa information can be obtained at <a href="http://www.usembassy.gov/">http://www.usembassy.gov/</a>

## 16. TRANSPORTATION

#### **International Transportation**

The international travel to Orlando International Airport will be at each delegation's own expenses. The FIG and the Organizing Committee strongly recommend that each Federation take cancellation insurance for their transportation.

#### **Local Transportation**

Accredited team delegations who stay at one of the official hotels, book their accommodation through the Organizing Committee and fill-in and return to the Organizing Committee their "travel schedule" paper form for arrivals and departures by Monday, March 5, 2012 (Appendix 5), will be provided with local transport from Orlando International Airport to the official hotels and back. This service from the airport to the official hotels and back will be guaranteed by the Organizing Committee.

The International Airport is Orlando International Airport (MCO).

A shuttle service will be available for the local transportation of all accredited persons (if applicable) from the official hotels to the training, warm-up, and competitions venues as well as to any other official activities and back as needed.

Federations who do not stay at one of the official hotels, do not book their accommodations through the Organizing Committee and do not fill-in and return to the Organizing Committee their



"travel schedule" paper form for their arrival and departure **will not** be entitled to use the event local transportation system and will be responsible to be on time.

#### 17. ACCOMMODATION

#### **Official Hotels**

The Organizing Committee is delighted to provide FIG and official delegations members with the following selection of hotels. These packages will be available from April 16th – April 23rd, for earlier or later arrivals/departures, please contact the organizing committee:

#### For earlier or later arrival / departure please contact the OC



**Buena Vista Palace** 

# **BUENA VISTA PALACE (Official FIG hotel)**

1900 E. Buena Vista Drive

Lake Buena Vista, Florida 32830

#### Package A:

These rates include breakfast, transportation and farewell party

- price with breakfast per person / per night based on single occupancy: 189 USD
- price with breakfast per person / per night based on double occupancy: 121 USD
- price with breakfast per person / per night based on triple or quadruple occupancy: 97 USD

#### Package B:

"Cheap" Accommodation Option:

These rates do NOT include breakfast, but will include transportation and Farewell Party

- price without breakfast per person / per night based on single occupancy: 174 USD
- price without breakfast per person / per night based on double occupancy: 106 USD
- price without breakfast per person / per night based on triple or quadruple occupancy: 82 USD

#### **WYNDHAM LAKE BUENA VISTA RESORT**

1850 E. Lake Buena Vista Drive Lake Buena Vista, Florida 32830

#### Package C:

These rates include breakfast, transportation and farewell party

- price with breakfast per person / per night based on single occupancy: 163 USD
- price with breakfast per person / per night based on double occupancy: 108 USD
- price with breakfast per person / per night based on triple or quadruple occupancy: 82 USD

# Package D:

"Cheap" Accommodation Option:

These rates do NOT include breakfast, but will include transportation and Farewell Party.

- price without breakfast per person / per night based on single occupancy: 148 USD
- price without breakfast per person / per night based on double occupancy: 93 USD
- price without breakfast per person / per night based on triple or quadruple occupancy: 67 USD



Wyndham Lake Buena Vista Resort

All rates include VAT and service charge. Check in time 4 p.m. Check out time is 11 a.m.

Location of venue and the hotels:

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#### **RESERVATIONS**

FIG affiliated member federations should request their accommodation as a matter of priority. Rooms are limited and will be allocated strictly in order of booking receipt.

Should your chosen category not be available, the Organizing Committee will then contact you to discuss alternative options.

To secure your preferred category, we strongly recommend that you fill in the official "accommodation form – room requests" (Appendix 1) well in advance of the due date of December 9, 2011. **The Hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first serve" basis.** 

Payment for the accommodation must be made by bank transfer to:

Beneficiary:	National Travel Systems
Beneficiary	4314 South Loop 289 Ste 300
address:	Lubbock, Texas 79413
Bank name:	City Bank
Bank address:	5211 Brownfield Highway Lubbock, Texas 79408/001-806-792-7101
	Bank Telephone
Branch	N/A
Account Number:	26171702
ABA:	111301737

All bank fees in connection with the bank transfers must be covered. Please state the name of the federation, the contact person and the payment purpose on the transfer. The payment must be made in USD only.

The prepayment to the Organizing Committee of 50% of the total cost of the accommodation must be made at the time you return to the Organizing Committee the "accommodation" paper form, or by no later than Wednesday, January 18, 2012. Following receipt of this



"accommodation" paper form and the deposit payment of your booking, a confirmation will be sent to you by the Organizing Committee detailing all booking particulars and the final balance.

The final payment to the Organizing Committee of the remaining 50% for all accommodation will be required by no later than Wednesday, February 15, 2012.

Failure to forward the payment by the required dates will result in the reservations being cancelled and in the deposit payment being forfeited.

All personal expenses (in terms of hotel services, laundry, room services, telephone, mini bar, etc.) are not included.

Do NOT book directly with the hotel as transfers can then not be offered.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

The FIG and the Organizing Committee strongly recommend that each Federation take a cancellation insurance for their accommodation.

- Rooms cancelled until January 18th, 2012 will be subject to a cancellation fee of 0%.
- Rooms cancelled from January 19th until Feb. 14th will be subject to a cancellation fee of 50 % of the amount due at this date.
- Rooms cancelled from Feb. 16th until March 1st at the very latest will be subject to a cancellation fee of 80 % of the total amount due at this date.
- Rooms cancelled from March 2nd until the arrival of the delegations on site or "no show" will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100%

These fees are to be paid by the Federation concerned to the Organizing Committee.

#### **18. MEALS**

A meal plan for lunch and dinner will be offered from April 16<sup>th</sup> – April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The meal times will be listed on the final schedule. A breakfast option is included in the accommodation package.

#### **RESERVATIONS**

All meals reservations for the other Delegation Members must be made by filling-in and returning to the Organizing Committee the "Meal" paper form (Appendix 2) by December 9, 2011.

#### **ARRANGEMENTS**

While the meal plan is not compulsory and the delegations are free to make their own arrangements to eat at their own expenses, the Organizing Committee meals arrangements will be as follows:

A breakfast option is included in some of the accommodation packages at each of the official hotels.

The Organizing Committee will provide lunch and/or dinner each day. Delegations should order their meals in advance by using the "Meal" paper form (Appendix 2) by December 9, 2011. The price for one meal ticket will be \$15 US for lunch and \$20 US for dinner. Meals may also be purchased on site at an additional higher cost.

During the qualifying competitions (C-I), the working Judges will receive a meal from the Organizing Committee at the competition venue. They will not need to book their meals for these days. Further information regarding breaks and meal times during CI will be given at the judge's instructions.



#### **FAREWELL PARTY**

Accredited Delegation members (provided their accommodation was booked through the OC and with the exception of E- and R- media) will receive a free ticket for the Farewell Banquet on Sunday, April 22, 2012. This exact place and time will be confirmed during the orientation meeting. The official results as well as the Federation's relevant diplomas will be distributed during this banquet. The transport service for this function will be advised via the Delegation mail boxes.

All other persons willing to attend this Banquet will be entitled to do so, provided that a request will be sent in writing to the Organizing Committee via the "Meals" Paper Form (Appendix 2) and that the amount of \$45 US per person will be paid in full to the Organizing Committee by Wednesday, January 18, 2012. Farewell party tickets may also be purchased on site at an additional higher cost.

#### **PAYMENT**

Payment for the meals and Farewell Party ticket (if applicable) must be made by bank transfer to:

Beneficiary:	National Travel Systems
Beneficiary	4314 South Loop 289 Ste 300
address:	Lubbock, Texas 79413
Bank name:	City Bank
Bank address:	5211 Brownfield Highway Lubbock, Texas 79408/001-806-792-7101
	Bank Telephone
Branch	N/A
Account Number:	26171702
ABA:	111301737

All bank fees in connection with the bank transfers must be covered. Please state the name of the federation, the contact person and the payment purpose on the transfer. The payment must be made in US Dollars (\$) only. The prepayment to the Organizing Committee of 50% of the total meals costs must be made at the time you return to the Organizing Committee the "Meal" paper form, or by no later than Wednesday, January 18, 2011. Following receipt of this "Meal" paper form and the deposit payment of your booking, a confirmation will be sent to you by the Organizing Committee detailing all booking particulars and the final balance.

The final payment to the Organizing Committee of the remaining 50% for all meals will be required by no later than Wednesday, February 15, 2012.

Failure to forward the payment by the required dates will result in the meals being cancelled and in the deposit payment being forfeited.

#### 19. INSURANCE

The Host Federation, the Organizing Committee and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, 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 for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation.

The Organizing Committee will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy).



#### 20. WORKPLAN

The Workplan will be sent to all the participating federations six weeks at the latest before the start of the competitions.

#### 21. DOPING CONTROLS

Doping controls will be made as per the Doping Control Regulations of the FIG and WADA.

#### **22. MUSIC**

The music will have to be downloaded. This on-line application will be part of the Nominative on-line registration and will be open starting **January 19, 2012**onwards and will have to be completed by **March 14, 2012.** 

#### **MUSIC ONLINE PROCESS**

A MP3 file (max 10 GB) per pair/group will have to be sent for each exercise.

The music of the Final exercise must also be summitted by the Nominative Registrations.



Keep in your possession 2 copies of your CD for your training sessions and in case of a technical problem in the competition area.

OC guarantees the respect for the rights of author and broadcasting of the sent musical works.

# 23. DEADLINES SUMMARY

#### FOR THE FIG

Online Registrations (FIG web site)	Opening Date	Closing Date
Provisional Registration	now	2011 December, 9
Definitive Registration	2011 December, 8	2012 January, 18
Nominative Registration	2012 January, 19	2012 March, 14

Online Publicity	Opening Date	Closing Date
Publicity (not compulsory)	2012 January, 19	2012 March, 14

Request for Supplementary Accreditations	Deadline
Written request	2012 March, 14

Payment (to be made to the FIG)	Deadline
Registration Fee	2012 January, 18

# FOR THE OC

Paper Forms (to be sent to the Organizing Committee)	Deadline
Visa Request (not compulsory)	No later than Wednesday, January 18th
Travel Schedule (Arrivals)	Monday, March 5, 2012
Travel Schedule (Departures)	Monday, March 5, 2012
Accommodation: Room Numbers	Friday, December 9, 2011
Accommodation: Nominative	Monday, March 5, 2012
Meals (not compulsory)	Friday, December 9, 2011



Farewell Banquet (if applicable)	Deadline
Written information to the OC via the Meals Paper	Wednesday, January 18, 2012
Form	

Payment (to be made to the OC)	Deadline	
Accommodation Costs (first 50%)	Wednesday, January 18, 2012	
Accommodation Costs (last 50%)	Wednesday, February 15, 2012	
Meals (first 50%)	Wednesday, January 18, 2012	
Meals (last 50%)	Wednesday, February 15, 2012	
Farewell Banquet (if applicable)	Wednesday, January 18, 2012	
Accreditations at the charge of the Delegations or the FIG Authority	Monday March 5, 2012	

Sincerely Yours,

André Gueisbuhler Secretary General

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#### Encl.

#### Forms to fill on-line on FIG website:

- Provisional registration
- Definitive registration
- Nominative registration

# Forms to send back to the FIG office

Publicity form

# Forms to be sent to the Organizing Committee:

- Accommodation Form: Room Numbers (Appendix 1)
- Lunch/Dinner and Farewell Party information (Appendix 2)
- Accommodation Form: Nominative (Appendix 3)
- Visa request (Appendix 4)
- Arrival and Departure information (Appendix 5)

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