



EVENT REGULATIONS

IFCS World Agility Championships 2017

1. GENERAL

1.1. The 11th IFCS World Agility Championships (WAC) will be held between the 26th and 30th April, 2017, at the following location:

PARTIDA MASIA DE CONCHA, S/N
46110 GODELLA
JUNTO SALIDA BYPASS - 321 - BÉTERA / GODELLA
FRENTE GASOLINERA LOS ARCOS BETERA
VALENCIA, SPAIN

Note: Tuesday 25th April is an “optional” training day for teams. The main ring and venue is available all day on Tuesday 25th for team training – by appointment with the host organization.

Event website and online entry forms: www.ifcsdogsports.org

Quick reference schedule (9 classes held over 5 days):

- Wednesday:
 - Check-in and dog measure + equipment/main ring familiarization between 0800 and 1130.
 - 1200 to 1245 - Opening Ceremony.
 - 1400 to 1730 – WAC Championship Competition (1 class).
 - 1900 to 2100 - Competitors Welcome Cocktails and Networking (at venue).
- Thursday: WAC competition (2 classes).
- Friday: WAC competition (2 classes).
- Saturday: WAC competition (2 classes).
- Sunday: WAC competition (2 classes) and Closing Ceremony.

Note: Any prior team training (before Wednesday) will need to be organized directly with the host organization. The venue will be booked and available for team training on the Tuesday. Booking to be made with the host. Teams may be allowed to check-in and complete dog measurement on the Tuesday with prior arrangement with the host organization.

1.2. The Championships are governed by the International Federation of Cynological Sports (IFCS) and are organized and hosted in cooperation with the Federation Agility and Canine Education (FEAEC), located in Spain and hereinafter referred to as “Host”.

1.3. The Championships are held under the current IFCS Agility Regulations and these Event Regulations.

1.4. Team members may compete with pedigree and/or non-pedigree dogs. The absence or availability of pedigree documents (i.e., papers) shall have no relevance or influence on these Championships. Bitches in heat will be allowed to compete and will be managed appropriately to reduce disruption to the running order. Dogs shall be entered in one of four (4) height categories of Toy, Small/Mini, Medium/Midi and Large/Maxi dogs and will need to meet the cut-off at the withers height as per the table below:

Class	Dog's Height at Withers	Hurdle Jump Height	Spread Hurdles		Long Jump
			Parallel	Ascending	
Toy	Up to and including 30cm (300mm)	30cm (300mm)	No parallel	Width between 25-30cm	50cm
Small/Mini	Up to and including 40cm (400mm)	40cm (400mm)			90cm
Medium/Midi	Up to and including 50cm (500mm)	50cm (500mm)	Width between 30-40cm	Width between 40-60cm	120cm
Large/Maxi	No restriction in height – any height dog can enter	60cm (600mm)			130-150cm

Note 1: The measurement system of the IFCS is metric.

Note 2: There is no need to measure dogs at these championships that are entered in Large/Maxi Class. All other dogs will be measured during check-in on the Wednesday morning.

Note 3: It is the responsibility of the National Organization in each country to ensure the dog's height at the withers is as per the entry form and that the dog will measure the correct height at the event. Team Captain/Coach will have an official letter from their member organization to confirm and state the height of each dog on the team. Any National Team using host dogs from another Nation will be exempt from having to provide an official letter.

Note 4: The Chute (Cloth Tunnel) will not be used at these World Championships.

1.5. The official language of the Championships is English. For entry forms, appeals and applications, English language shall be used. Where conflict may exist in interpretation of text of translated versions in other languages, the meaning in the official language shall prevail.

1.6. Travel to the place of competition and back, accommodation and food expenses of a team are paid by directing (participating) organizations and/or their competitors, as established within each organization's home country. Where a country has no organization affiliation associated with IFCS, individuals may enter the event pursuant to provisions listed in these Event Regulations.

1.7. Reference to "Handler" within these Regulations relates to a single person (i.e., sports man or woman) who is to be enrolled in competition. Reference to a "Dog" within these regulations relates to the enrolled dog of a Handler. Reference to a "Competitor" within these Regulations relates to a single Handler with a Dog.

2. THE PROGRAM OF THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

2.1. Program of individual championship classes:

Agility-Standard;
Jumping;
Snooker;
Gamblers;
Biathlon (Agility-Standard + Jumping);
Individual All Around (Agility-Standard + Jumping + Snooker + Gamblers).

All classes shall follow the methodology as set forth in the IFCS Agility Regulations

2.2. Program of national team competition (for the IFCS member and recognized nations):

Team Triathlon Small Dog Division (Agility-Standard + Jumping + 3 Dog Team Relay);

Team Triathlon Large Dog Division (Agility-Standard + Jumping + 3 Dog Team Relay).

Note: The above two competitions will be ran in one ring, one Judge, one course, but will result in two lots of medals and podium ceremony.

2.3 Event Program & Tentative Schedule

Wednesday

- Check-in and dog measure – followed by equipment/main ring familiarization 0800 - 1130
- Judges Meeting 1000 - 1030
- Team Managers Meeting 1100 - 1145
- Opening Ceremony 1200 - 1245
- Course Build 1245 - 1315
- Walk-through & Judges' Briefing 1315 - 1400
- Championship Class: Agility-Standard – Biathlon (B1) 1400 - 1730
- Competitors Welcome Cocktails and Networking 1900 - 2100

The Host's organizing committee in consultation with the IFCS Council will publish team times for the dogs' check-in and measurement.

Once a team has completed formal Check-in and measurement for the Toy, Mini and Midi (Medium) dogs they will then move directly to the main arena for a small session of equipment/main ring familiarization.

The time for all Nations in the main ring will be very short (maybe 10 minutes per team) and will be based on the number of teams entered.

Teams are encouraged to contact the host with regards to any training requirements required prior to the 26th April. The main ring will be available for training on Tuesday 25 April through planning direct with the host organization.

The Competitors welcome cocktail (drinks and light snacks) will be located at the venue and will commence at approximately 7:00 pm (1900). Dress is casual; team uniforms may be worn. It is planned that this welcome and networking event will last for 60 to 90 minutes.

Thursday

- Walk-through & Judges' Briefing 0800 - 0845
- National Anthem & Announcements/Administration 0845 - 0900
- Championship Classes
 - Snooker – Individual & towards All Around 0900 - 1230
 - Course Build 1230 - 1300
 - Walk-through and Judges Brief 1300 - 1345
 - Jumping – Team Triathlon (T1) 1345 - 1715
 - Podium – Medal Presentation for all classes for the day 1745 - 1815*

Friday

- Walk-through & Judges' Briefing 0800 - 0845
- National Anthem & Announcements/Administration 0845 - 0900
- Championship Classes
 - Agility-Standard – Individual & towards All Around 0900 - 1230
 - Course Build 1230 - 1300
 - Walk-through and Judges Brief 1300 - 1345
 - Jumping – Individual & towards All Around 1345 - 1715
 - Podium – Medal Presentation for all classes for the day 1745 - 1815*

Saturday

- Walk-through & Judge's Briefing 0800 - 0845
- National Anthem & Announcements/Administration 0845 - 0900
- Championship Classes
 - Gamblers – Individual & towards All Around 0900 - 1230
 - Course Build 1230 - 1300
 - Walk-through and Judges Brief 1300 - 1345
 - Agility-Standard – Team Triathlon (T2) 1345 - 1715
 - Podium – Medal Presentation for all classes for the day 1745 - 1815*

Sunday

- Walk-through & Judge's Briefing 0800 - 0845
- National Anthem & Announcements/Administration 0845 - 0900
- Championship Classes
 - Jumping – Biathlon (B2) 0900 - 1230
 - Course Build 1230 - 1300
 - Walk-through and Judges Brief 1300 - 1345
 - 3 Dog Team Relay – Team Triathlon (T3) 1345 - 1600
 - Podium – Medal Presentation for all classes for the day 1700 – 1730*
- Closing Ceremony* 1800 - 1830

* finishing times may be slightly later depending on outcome of any team disputes

3. COMPETITORS, ENTRIES

3.1. Competitors from every nation can enter the “Individual” Classes with the following maximum number of Competitors:

- IFCS Member Nations (Full/Voting, Associate & Provisional); –
 - **Championship Classes** – sixteen (16) Handlers* that have been qualified for entry through rules established by Member Nations, plus four (4) Handlers who have been a medal winning finalist in any past IFCS Championship Event. In total, there can be no more than 20 Competitors (i.e., no more than twenty (20) Handlers and twenty (20) Dogs from a country overall).
 - Note 1: Is allowed to enter all Triathlon classes.
 - Note 2: Is allowed to enter Individual Classes and Biathlon Classes.
- IFCS Recognized Nations (i.e., non-member organizations who have signed and submitted a Declaration of Support); –
 - **Championship Classes** – maximum of sixteen (16) Handlers that have been qualified for entry through rules established by Recognized Nations.
 - Note 1: Is allowed to enter all Triathlon classes.
 - Note 2: Is allowed to enter Individual Classes and Biathlon Classes.
- IFCS Guest Nations (i.e., non-member organizations who have been invited on a cases by case basis by the IFCS); –
 - **Championship Classes** – maximum of twelve (12) Handlers.
 - Note 1: Is not allowed to enter any Team Triathlon Classes.
 - Note 2: Is allowed to enter Individual Classes and Biathlon Classes.

For Championship Classes, these event regulations restrict a sportsman or sportswoman (Handler) to competing with one dog in any one height class.

- The above ruling only restricts the sportsman or sportswoman (Handler) to one dog per height class, meaning that in theory, a member nation may have a sportsman or sportswoman (Handler) with 4 dogs – one in each of the four height classes of Toy, Mini, Midi and Maxi.
- No one dog may ever run the same course twice.

For a National Team, there is no limit in the number of dogs per jump height; however, different height dogs are required for participation in Team Triathlon, subject to the provisions of Section 3.2 and 3.3, below.

Be aware that:

- To be eligible for the Biathlon awards, the competitor (handler and dog) must be the same for both classes aggregated for the Biathlon award. To be eligible for the All Around awards, the competitor (handler and dog) must be the same for all classes aggregated for the All Around award.

Note: The overriding intent of these Event Regulations is that a Handler and/or Dog can only ever be at the podium for medal presentations for a specific award once for a Gold, Silver or Bronze medal.

3.1.1 Reserve Handler and Dogs

In the event of a Handler or Dog being injured or ill just before or during travel to the Championships, there may be a need for the use of a Reserve Handler and/or Dog.

The IFCS will allow each National Team to make up to two (2) reserve substitutions of Handler and/or Dog up to 12.00 pm (noon) on the day before the start of the Championships.

The changes must be notified to the Event Secretary as soon as practical.

Note 1: The Team is still limited to 20 Handlers and 20 Dogs at the start of the competition (as per 3.1).

It is permissible that the same Handler competes with two (or more) dogs (as long as only one dog per height Class and only one dog in each of the Small and Large Divisions of the Team Triathlon) but the total number of Competitors (i.e., Handlers with dogs) shall not exceed the maximum limits set forth in regulation 3.1.

3.1.2. Each IFCS Member Nation must be in good standing, which includes being current in payment of “annual” membership dues in the amount of USD \$200 a year for Full, Associate Members and Provisional Members. Members that did not prepay fees for 2 (or 3) years in 2016 will have their membership fees expire on 1 March, 2017. Nations who have not remitted these dues shall not be permitted to compete. Recognized Nations (non-members) must also be in good standing with the IFCS and have paid any required fees to the IFCS.

IFCS Membership fees are paid in USD direct to the IFCS and are paid separate to WAC entry fees that are being paid to the host nation in Euro.

WAC entry fees are payable in Euros (€) as per the entry fee table within these regulations and Annex A.

Entry forms are due no later than 1 March, 2017, after which no entries may be accepted, cancelled or withdrawn.

THE ENTRY FORM AND ENTRY FEE IS ON-LINE: www.ifcsdogsports.org

3.2. Eligible Nations (all except those classified as a “Guest” Nation) can submit up to four (4) Triathlon teams as specified in this paragraph and in section 3.3. All individuals from a Member Nation – including “past” IFCS Medal Winners are eligible for selection by Team Manager/Team Coach for the Triathlon.

Eligible Nations may choose to have Small and/or Large Triathlon Teams as described within these Event Regulations, but may have no more than four (4) teams in total and no more than three (3) teams classified as a Small Team and no more than three (3) teams classified as a Large Team. They may have 2 Small and 2 Large Teams.

3.2.1 All eligible Nations compete against each other in the Triathlon, in two different groups of Small and Large Division. There will be separate award ceremony and medals for each of the Divisions of Small and Large.

Entry from each Nation must not exceed 4 Triathlon Teams in total and must not exceed 3 Small Triathlon Teams or 3 Large Triathlon Teams.

For Example, as a maximum, any one Nation may submit the following:

- Up to three (3) Teams in the Small Dog division and one (1) Team in the Large Dog Division, or
- Up to three (3) Teams in the Large Dog division and one (1) Team in the Small Dog Division

Each Triathlon “Team” shall be comprised of three (3) Competitors (i.e., handler and dog).

No one dog may run a Triathlon Team course more than once.

A Handler may only run in the Small Division once.

A Handler may only run in the Large Division once.

A Handler may run with different Dogs once in both the Small and Large Division.

3.2.2. No Handler or Dog may be on more than one Triathlon Team (T1 or T2 or 3 Dog Team Relay) as an initial team member or a substitute member in the same Division (i.e, Small or Large Division). No Dog shall be permitted to run in both Divisions with the same or different Handler. This does not prevent a Handler with different Dogs from running one dog in the Large Division and another in the Small Division, providing these foregoing rules are met.

3.2.3. Each Team must at all times meet the composition requirements of Reg 3.2.2 and 3.3. A Triathlon Team at all times must maintain the same composition of their Team as a Small Dog Team in the Small Division or a Large Dog Team in the Large Division in all three classes of the Triathlon.

3.2.4 The Team submitted for a Triathlon Team shall remain the same “Division” for all three rounds.

- A “Small” Division team will always stay a “Small” Division team.
- A “Large” Division team will always stay a “Large” Division team.
- As long as the Triathlon Team stays the same Division, Small or Large, the composition of the Triathlon Team within that Division may change from Class to Class provided the requirements of Reg 3.2.3 and 3.3 are followed.
- For example:
 - A Nation may enter a Small Division Team in “Jumping – Team Triathlon (T1)” that is made up of “2 Small/Mini dogs and 1 Medium/Midi dog”.
 - A Nation may then change the team for “Agility-Standard – Team Triathlon (T2)” and change to have “2 Small/Mini dogs and 1 Maxi dog”.
 - As long as Reg 3.2.3 and 3.3 are followed.
 - And no Dog has already competed in a Triathlon Class on another team and no Handler has already competed in a Triathlon Class on another team within their Division.

3.2.5. Event organizers will publicly publish the Triathlon Team course for the day between 7:30am and 8.00am on the day of a Triathlon class.

- Nations have until 8:30am to submit to Event Secretary the names of the handlers (from among their Nation’s handlers) and dogs for inclusion on their team or teams for that day.

No changes or alternates/substitutes will be permissible following these times other than due to a legitimate and confirmed medical injury to a nominated handler or dog that has occurred on the day of the Triathlon class in question. Notwithstanding any change to the team for medical reasons, the Triathlon Team must still compete with a team that complies with Reg 3.2 (all) and 3.3, and no Dog may be on more than one Triathlon Team and no Handler may be on more than one Triathlon Team within the same Division.

In such instance, after confirmation of the injury by the event organizers and the IFCS Council, and when present, the official veterinarian, if the injury is to a dog, a substitute in accordance with Reg 3.2 (all) and 3.3 may be nominated from remaining team members that were not already nominated earlier that morning and who have not participated on the other Teams of the Triathlon class for the Division in question (Small or Large) as limited by Reg 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 (i.e., no dog can run a Triathlon course more than once or serve on more than one Triathlon Team and no handler can run a Triathlon course more than once or serve on more than one Triathlon Team within any one Division of Small or Large).

3.2.6. At all times, the height composition requirements of Section 3.3 shall be maintained.

3.3. All Teams within a Triathlon class must have one of the following compositions of three handlers with:

Small Dog Division (Maximum of 3 Teams)

2 Toy dogs and 1 Medium/Midi dog
2 Toy dogs and 1 Large/Maxi dog
2 Small/Mini dogs and 1 Medium/Midi dog
2 Small/Mini dogs and 1 Large/ Maxi dog

Large Dog Division (Maximum of 3 Teams)

2 Medium/Midi dogs and 1 Toy dog
2 Medium/Midi dogs and 1 Small/Mini dog
2 Large/Maxi dogs and 1 Toy dog
2 Large/Maxi dogs and 1 Small/Mini dog

3.3.1 Please refer to Reg 3.2 (all) for details relating to team composition. No Nation may exceed 4 Teams and no Nation may have more than 3 Teams in the Small Dog Division and no Nation may have more than 3 Teams in the Large Dog Division.

Once a team has competed as a Small Dog Division team – it must always stay in the Small Division.

Once a team has competed as a Large Dog Division team – it must always stay in the Large Division.

3.4. Competitor entry forms are to be submitted by the cynological sporting organization of a country that is a member of the IFCS or has IFCS official recognition.

National Organizations that don't meet these requirements and have signed a declaration of support may take part in the Championships as a Recognized Nation through the permissions of the IFCS (and may enter Team Triathlon).

The IFCS may also allow entry from "Guest" Nations, including individual entry on a cases by case basis, but will be limited in the size of the team and Guest Nations will not be allowed to enter the Team Triathlon.

Handlers may be entered to represent a country only for which they have citizenship, or have established residency in a country pursuant to IFCS Regulations or policies. No competitor may represent a different country for which they have competed in an IFCS Championship Event held in the previous three (3) years.

3.5. Competitors to be entered in these Championships shall be selected by their national IFCS Member or a Recognized organization (approved by the IFCS) on a competitive basis and without prejudice.

For any "Guest" Nation approved to enter by the IFCS Council, any selection process will be on a case by case as approved by the IFCS from time to time.

3.6. Entry forms are available online at: www.ifcsdogsports.org

Only one entry form is required per Nation.

Entry forms must be submitted with payment (or proof of payment in progress) to the Host nation via email by the nominated close date. No refunds are possible after that date.

Send entry forms to the host nation as below:

Host organization Point of Contacts (POC):

Name: Luis Ciurana

Phone: + 34 607 421 421

Email: lcicurana@hotmail.com and/or wac2017spain@gmail.com

3.7. Entry fees are as per table below and are payable in Euro (€). The Member Nation is responsible for all bank fees to cover the charges of the sending and receiving banks. If additional fees are charged to receiver by banks, please be prepared to pay deficit upon arrival at the venue.

Banking Information:

Class of Competition	Full, Associate & Provisional IFCS Member Nations	Recognized Nations and Guest Nations*
WAC Program – Championship Classes	€130/competitor*	€155/competitor*
Non-Competing Team Members (Coach/Manager/Groom) and Supporters Note: Each National Team is given free entry for up to 3 non-competing team members (Manager, Coach and/or Groom). More than 3 and a “Supporter” fee is payable.	€15/Supporter for 5 days** €5.00/Supporter for 1 days**	€15/Supporter for 5 days** €5.00/Supporter for 1 days**

Welcome Cocktails and Networking Costs (includes drinks and snack/finger food)	
Welcome Cocktails cost on Wednesday night	€22 per person

* Each enrolled competitor is automatically entered in all individual and team classes (subject to eligibility requirements) of the Championship Program.

Passes for Non-Competing Team Members and Supporters/Spectators

Team entry will include 3 free passes for 3 non-competing team members (coach, manager, and/or groom). Please list these three (3) names in your email to FEAEC.

**Spectators may pay €5.00 for 1 day pass or €15 for 5 day pass with entry fee or pay at the event (on arrival).

Team Manager/Coach may request (on arrival at venue) a permit for spectators (paid entry fee) to have access to the kenneling area. The kenneling area will be controlled and require a pass for entry.

Please use on-line entry form to enter: www.ifcsdogsports.org

Questions regarding event entry fees should be sent to the host email: wac2017spain@gmail.com

3.7.1 Member nations are required to pay their IFCS membership dues of USD\$200.00 per year.

These membership dues must be paid separately to entry fees, and are to be paid direct to the IFCS bank account in the USA, and must include applicable bank wire transfer fees as indicated below. Options are provided for one, two or three year payments. Each nation who requires an Invoice is requested to email the IFCS for an invoice request. Email your request to: info@ifcsdogsports.org

Please do not include your membership dues with your entry fees, which are to be paid directly to the host nation.

- 1 year: USD\$216.00
- 2 years: USD\$416.00
- 3 years: USD\$616.00

IFCS Bank details are listed below:

Wire Funds To: Bank of America
SWIFT Code: BOFAUS3N
To Account of: IFCS – International Federation of Cynological Sports
Account Locality: Texas, United States
Routing #: 026009593
Account #: 488026982368

Send email notification of wire confirmation or questions to: info@ifcsdogsports.org

3.7.2. Each Nation who is not deemed to be a current financial member of the IFCS by the close of entry date may not be eligible for participation at these World Agility Championships.

3.7.3. A “Welcome” event will be held on the evening of Wednesday, 26 April, 2017, at the event venue. All team members and their guest(s) are welcome to attend the Welcome gathering on Wednesday evening. Use the entry form to advise the host nation of numbers and to pay for each person attending.

3.8. Any Handler subjecting a dog to punitive correction or harsh handling or displaying bad sportsmanship during or within the precincts of the competition will be disqualified from any further participation in any Class/Event during the Championships. Attempting to impugn the decision of the Judge may also merit disqualified from any further participation in any Class or remainder of the Event.

3.9. Every dog should have required vaccinations for transport of dogs to and from the host nation in accordance with current requirements of the host nation. Information relating to traveling with dogs to the host nation can be found on the official WAC website.

3.9.1 Bitches in Heat will be allowed to compete and will run at the end of each height class.

3.10. Every dog entered for competition shall be certified as to its height at the withers by an official letter of the sponsoring IFCS Member organization, which shall list the name and breed of all the dogs entered and their height at the withers in metric (cm or mm) and shall be signed by two (2) members of the Governing Council or Board of Directors of the Member organization, with at least one sign-off been from the President or Secretary. The height at the withers is measured on the top of the shoulder blade with the dog standing erect with legs perpendicular to the ground line. The Team Captain/Coach is to present the signed letter during check-in and measurement at the Championships.

The Team Captain/Coach of any team using a “host” dog will also need an official letter stating the name, breed and height of the host dog. Due to the difficulties in such a situation, the IFCS will accept a letter from either the Member Organization of the Team using the Host dogs, or from the Member Organization of the home country that the host dog originated, or a combination of both.

The Member Organization may just state within the letter Large/Maxi for Large/Maxi dogs in lieu of a metric measurement. Toy, Small/Mini and Medium/Midi dogs must all have a metric measurement in mm or cm.

The IFCS has the right to not accept any dog for competition that is not listed on the letter and/or is measured on the day to be outside the measurement stated on the official letter.

Notwithstanding, all Toy, Small/Mini and Medium/Midi dogs will also be measured by host officials on the morning of the first day.

The purpose of the measuring check is to ensure the dog is on or under the height cut-off for the height class it has entered. Any dogs found over the cut-off for their nominated height class will be brought to the attention of the Host Organizing Committee and IFCS Council.

In such instance, normal procedure would be to move the dog up to the next height class. Dogs are permitted to jump up a height class (subject to the approval of the Team Manager or official representative from that country).

Measurement will be in metric as per below:

- Toy Dog: Up to and including 30 cm (300 mm)
- Small/Mini Dog: Up to and including 40 cm (400 mm)
- Medium/Midi Dog: Up to and including 50 cm (500 mm)
- Large/Maxi Dog: No restriction in height

Dogs entered in Large/Maxi Class are not required to be officially measured during check-in.

If unforeseen circumstances prevent a dog from being measured at the approved times, then the dog in question must be measured at some time prior to start of Judging by officials before the dog can be allowed to compete. If the official IFCS measurement is different from the height submitted by the Handler and certified by the Member organization, and as such places the dog in a different height class, then a re-measure may be requested with the Chief Judge and an IFCS Council Member. The decision of the Chief Judge and an IFCS Council Member will be final.

The IFCS does not wish to see a Handler travel to the WAC ready to compete in a specific height class, as stated in the official letter from their own member organization, only to find the IFCS and host nation have deemed the dog is too tall for the class it has entered, and must enter the next height class and jump a higher jump height. This should be avoided at all cost and member organizations should take all care to ensure each dog is placed in the appropriate height class for the dogs height as will be measured (in metric) at the event.

3.11. Every team should check- in at the facility during the time instructed by the host nation on the first day for dog measurement (Toy, Small/Mini and Medium/Midi dogs only).

3.12. The running order for the event shall be randomly established. The host nation may randomize the running order electronically after compiling entries, with a copy posted for inspection on the first day.

The host nation must carry out the work of random and fair running orders in a fair and transparent manner. Any grievance regarding the running order must be filed in writing with the Chief Judge for the event no later than noon on the first day.

3.13. Consult the official WAC website for available / preferred hotels and other accommodations available for the event.

4. WINNERS DETERMINATION

4.1. Team Triathlon: Winners in the Team Triathlon are determined by the lowest score as determined by summing the time and penalties for the three team members in each of the three classes of competition – Agility-Standard, Jumping and Team Relay combined (i.e., cumulative time plus faults scoring; five faults = five seconds on the clock). Penalties for disqualification shall be according to following schedule:

Exercise	Penalty for disqualification
Agility	100
Jumping	100
Relay	100 x number of disqualified team members

4.1.1. In case of equality in the Team Triathlon between two or more teams, advantage goes to the team with the best result on the Team Relay course; if there is then equality between team on the Team Relay course, then advantage goes to a team with the best result on the Agility-Standard course.

4.2. Individual Competition: For Individual Agility-Standard and Individual Jumping classes, winners are determined for each height class by the least sum of penalty points earned. The Judge shall establish a standard course time (SCT) against which time penalties shall be assessed, should the competitor's performance time exceed the SCT. Time penalties and course penalties shall be summed to determine the final score. Awards are for each height class separately.

4.2.1. In case of equality between two or more Competitors in Individual Agility-Standard or Individual Jumping the advantage goes to the competitor with the best result for time.

4.2.2. For Snooker and Gamblers classes, winners in Individual programs are determined by the greatest sum of points earned.

4.2.3. In case of equality between two or more Competitors for a Gamblers or Snooker class, advantage goes to the competitor with the best result for time.

4.3. Biathlon : For Biathlon classes, winners in individual kinds of program are determined by the least sum of time and penalties (i.e., time plus faults; 5 faults = 5 seconds), with scores combined from both courses in Biathlon (Agility-Standard + Jumping). Penalties for disqualification shall be according to following schedule:

Event	Penalty for Disqualification
Individual Agility-Standard	100 points
Individual Jumping	100 points

4.3.1. In case of equality between two or more Competitors in the Biathlon, advantage goes to the competitor with the best result on the Agility-Standard course.

4.4. Individual All Around: Winners and placements for the All Around competition are determined by the procedures set forth in paragraph 4.4 and its sub-paragraphs. Winners in individual classification in “All Around are determined by the greatest sum of points earned on Gamblers and Snooker courses and the calculated points from Individual Agility-Standard and Individual Jumping utilizing the following course point values from the All Around Points Table below and a formula in which the dogs total points (sum of time and course penalties) for each of the two classes of Individual Agility-Standard and Individual Jumping are deducted from the Course Point Value (listed in the Table below) to arrive and a score. The score shall not exceed the total point value for the course (i.e., no score for any individual class shall be less than zero).

Event	Course Point Value	Penalty for Disqualification
Individual Agility-Standard	100 points	100 points
Individual Jumping	100 points	100 points

Disqualification in Gamblers or Snooker shall result in a score of zero points for the class.

Example: A competitor earns a score of 62.43 (time plus penalties added) in the Individual Agility-Standard class and 41.00 (time plus penalties) in the Individual Jumping class. Their total score will be $(100 - 62.43) + (100 - 41.00) = 96.57$ points (final score). In a second example, if a handler has an actual score of 129.59 in Individual Agility-Standard and an actual score of 38.44 in Individual Jumping, their formula would be $100.00 - 129.59 = 0$ points for Individual Agility-Standard, plus $100 - 38.44 = 62.56$ points for Individual Jumping. Their final score would be $0 + 62.56 = 62.56$ as a final score. (Note that no score after conversion to points may be less than zero.)

4.4.1. In case of equality between two or more Competitors when working out Winners and Places for the All Around competition, advantage goes to the competitor with the best result on the Individual Agility-Standard course. If there is still equality for Places, advantage will then go to the competitor with the best result on the Individual Jumping course.

4.5. In case of equality between two or more Competitors that has not been resolved from provisions elsewhere in this Chapter 4, a “jump off” will be held wherein the affected Competitors shall perform a jumping course (same or similar course as previously run and approved by the Chief Judge) in order to establish ranking among Competitors for medals and other awards.

5. WINNERS AWARDS

5.1. Official Awards:

5.1.1. Each member of a National Team winning first place in the Team Triathlon – Small Division and first place in the Team Triathlon - Large Division competition is awarded with diplomas evidencing the title “World Agility Champion 2017” and gold medals, for each of the two Divisions of Small and Large.

5.1.2. Each member of a National Team taking second and third place in the Team Triathlon, Small Division and the Large Division is awarded with diplomas and silver and bronze medals, respectively.

5.1.3. Competitors who win first place in one of the four height classes in the Individual classes, being Agility-Standard, Jumping, Gamblers and Snooker are awarded with the title “World Agility Champion 2017” for the specific class in question, and are awarded an IFCS diploma and a gold medal.

5.1.4. Competitors taking second place in one of the four height classes of the Individual classes, being Agility-Standard, Jumping, Gamblers and Snooker are awarded an IFCS diploma and a silver medal.

1.5. Competitors taking third place in one of the four height classes of the Individual classes, being Agility-Standard, Jumping, Gamblers and Snooker are awarded an IFCS diploma and a bronze medal.

5.1.6. Competitors who win first place in one of the four height classes for Biathlon and All Around are awarded with the title “World Agility Champion 2017” for the specific Height Class in question, and are awarded an IFCS diploma and a gold medal.

5.1.7. Competitors taking second place in one of the four height classes of the Biathlon and All Around events are awarded for the Height Class in question an IFCS diploma and a silver medal.

5.1.8. Competitors taking third place in one of the four height classes of the Biathlon and All Around events are awarded for the Height Class in question an IFCS diploma and a bronze medal.

5.2. Unofficial awards in non-championship kinds of classes (if held):

5.2.1. Awards for Non-Championships Classes (if held) will be awarded for the winners of first, second and third places in each Agility-Standard and Jumping class in each of the four height classes. Types of awards are to be determined by the host.

5.2.2. State bodies, local authorities, sponsors of the Championships and others can establish special or additional prizes and awards with the prior approval of the IFCS. Handing of unofficial awards is the responsibility of the provider, which will be coordinated by the IFCS.

6. PROCEDURES

6.1. The Championships are opened/closed to the sound of National Anthem of the host country. At the same time the National flag of the host country may be hoisted/lowered, or otherwise presented.

6.2. The IFCS flag should be presented in a visible place at all times during the Championships.

6.3. Details of all ceremonies should be coordinated by the IFCS Council. One of the speeches of welcome should be given by the President, Vice-President or a Council member of the IFCS on the opening and closing ceremonies, and by the President, Vice President or Council member of a host organization.

6.4. The solemn parades of all competitors of the Championships are carried out on the opening and closing ceremonies only. Handlers take part in solemn parades under national flags of their countries.

6.5. Handlers take part in all official ceremonies with their dogs.

6.6. In the opening ceremony, teams are formed in alphabetical order (alphabet of the host country). The national team of the host country brings up the rear.

6.7. In the closing ceremony, teams are formed in order of places from first to last in the results of the Triathlon, followed in alphabetical order by any entrants from non-member/non-recognized countries.

6.8. Order of awarding ceremonies:

6.8.1 When possible, and after waiting for the set period for disputes to pass after the completion of a Class, medals and podium awards may be held before the start of the next Class. A timetable should be published prior to the start of the event. Although permissible, preference is to have one award ceremony at the end of the day.

6.8.2. In the awards ceremony, the announcer shall introduce the presenters of the awards, which shall include an IFCS council member, judge and sponsor representative, if any, along with assistants for handling the awards.

6.8.3. Competitors who are to be awarded medals shall come to the podium area together, each taking the pedestal of honor as announced, with each being given their medal and certificate and any ribbon at the podium, with the announcer calling awards beginning with bronze, then silver and finally gold. The host may choose to award any Diplomas and ribbons as they exit the podium.

6.8.4. The pedestal of honor should be put in place beforehand with flags of winning nations to be raised/hoisted or otherwise presented behind or upon the appropriate pedestal. Sponsorship marketing, flags and banners maybe used. However, at all times the background of the podium should be reserved for IFCS banner and flags and that of host nation and/or member nations competing. Any key placement of a sponsor flag being placed in the dominate position behind the podium would have to be approved on a case by case basis and have specific and written approval from the IFCS Council.

6.8.5. When a competitor who has taken the first place has received official awards, National anthem of his/her country sounds. In this time national flags of countries of winner and prize winners are hoisted or presented with prominence. Flag of a country of a winner – in the center, flag of a country of a silver prize winner – left and slightly lower (when possible) of the flag of a winner’s country, and flag of a country of a bronze prize winner – right of the flag of a winner’s country and slightly lower (when possible) of the flag of a silver prize winner’s country.

6.8.6. When a National anthem of a winner's country has finished sounding, winner and prize winners may be presented unofficial rewards established by state bodies, local authorities, sponsors and other interested organizations.

6.8.7. If a winner or prize winner is absent from the official awarding ceremony without advance approval of the Council, this competitor forfeits their ranking and official awards, and the Handler (team) with the next result is awarded the forfeited place and awards.

6.10. Sketches of diplomas and medals and final approval are to be coordinated with the IFCS. There should be emblems of the IFCS, these Championships, or both, on official rewards (diplomas, medals etc.). IFCS will in all cases have final approval of medals and diploma to ensure high standard and quality.

6.11. Emblem of the Championships and final approval is to be coordinated with the IFCS. If emblem of the Championships includes the IFCS emblem, it should occupy no more than 1/3 or no less than 1/4 of emblem of the Championships.

6.12. Organizations sending teams to the Championship must provide a National flag and their National Anthem on CD or in digital form acceptable to Host.

6.13. National insignia on the uniform of competitors, coaches and team leaders is not regulated.

6.14. Insignia of sponsors of competitors can be placed only on the clothes of Handlers, coaches and other persons of sports delegations if so approved by a National organization, but must be subordinate to insignia of country and National organization insignia (no more than 50% of size).

6.15. Judges shall provide detailed briefings in writing for Gamblers and Snooker as they relate to rules of competition for the given class. There is no requirement to provide a written Judges Brief for Agility-Standard and Jumping classes. Briefings shall be publicly posted on the morning of the day of the class in the English language. The briefings shall have already been reviewed by the Chief Judge or a person elected by the IFCS Council to ensure compliance with IFCS Agility Regulations. A team representative (usually Manager and/or Coach) shall be appointed by each national delegation enrolled in the event, and shall be permitted to query the judge and be responsible for translating the briefings into their national language and communicating such briefings to their delegation of Handlers.

6.16. Judges shall provide to an IFCS-designated course review committee or nominated individual all detailed diagrams (course design) and briefings for Snooker and Gamblers to be used for the event at least 30 days prior to the event. Such review is to assure compliance with regulations and that such courses are not biased. The integrity of a course shall be maintained to the extent possible in resolution of any issues found, which shall be resolved between the judge and committee or nominated individual at least seven (7) days prior to the event. Any issues unable to be resolved shall be submitted to the IFCS Council for final resolution.

6.17. IFCS policy is to only allow fit and healthy dogs to compete at a WAC or other IFCS Events. Wraps (often called a vet-wrap) and/or Protective Boots are not to be used to mask an injury and/or to provide a competitive advantage.

If a dog has recovered from a previous injury and wears a Wrap on a limb or Protective Boot over a paw to prevent any aggravation of a previous injury, the IFCS requires the Wrap or Protective Boot to be worn between competitions and to be removed for actual competition.

Notwithstanding, that on written advice from a licensed veterinarian that such a device be worn, and with express approval of the IFCS/Chief Judge, a dog may wear a Wrap on a limb or Protective Boot on a paw if it is deemed to

be in the best interest of the dog to reduce or prevent the chance of aggravating a previous injury and will not provide any competitive advantage or put the dog at risk.

Under no circumstance may a dog wear a bandage that may come loose and cause a safety issue.

7. GRIEVANCES & DISPUTES

7.1. All matters related to scoring a performance on course shall be at the sole decision of the Judge. Notwithstanding, video replay from an officially designated video camera may be used to respond to a formal and registered dispute regarding the decision of the Judge. In any judging dispute the Judge in question should be involved in the subsequent decision to overturn the original decision.

7.1.1. Individual video cameras from a team member or spectator shall not be used to resolve a judging dispute. If there is an official video camera in use, but it did not capture the dispute in question – the judges original ruling shall be upheld. Under all circumstances, the only video replay that will be used for disputes is the official video camera.

7.1.2. The IFCS Council, in consultation with the Judges Panel and Host organizer, will be responsible for the set-up and use of an official video camera (if any). The IFCS Council, in consultation with the Judges Panel and the Host organizers may decide that due to specific circumstances, there will be no use of an official video camera for use in a judge's dispute.

7.1.3. The Judges Panel will consist of all judges that officiate at the WAC event and a Chief Judge (in accordance with IFCS Agility Rules). The Chief Judge may or may not be actually judging a class during the WAC event. The Chief Judge is the Chairman of the Judges Panel. The Chief Judge will be appointed by the IFCS Council prior to the event.

7.1.4. If a team wishes to dispute a judge's decision, the Team Representative (i.e., Team Captain, Manager or Coach) is to lodge an official dispute form with the Chief Judge or other duly nominated official within 15 minutes of the judges call or incident in dispute. The Chief Judge or other official nominated to accept dispute forms is not to be approached by multiple team members during a dispute, but rather by their Team Representative.

7.1.4.1 A Judge may require a re-run during the running of a class, at their discretion. However, there will be no re-runs due to the submission of a dispute form. At the end of the round of the last dog in the last height class, the course will be finished and the ring made available for building the next course.

7.1.5. The official dispute form shall be used to report and manage disputes regarding interpretation or application of regulations by the judge (regardless of whether an official video camera is in use).

7.1.6. The dispute form will include the following information:

- Judge name
- Class (and Date)
- Country
- Handlers name
- Dog's name
- Dog's height class
- Details of the dispute
- Name and Signature of Team Representative

7.1.7. A Member Nation may submit no more than one dispute per height Class and no more than three disputes per day, unless such dispute is found in favor of the Member Nation. In this case, the Member Nation retains their right to dispute under this provision.

7.1.8. Once the official dispute form has been lodged and accepted, then the Chief Judge or a nominated Judge (from the Judges Panel) is to review the dispute and decide if it a dispute that may be resolved by video replay. If so, then they are to find out if there is a record of the dispute on the official video and view such record. Conflict of interest should be taken into account at this stage and if the dispute involves the official's own country or there exists another potential conflict of interest, then the official should pass the matter to another authorized official for review.

7.1.9. If it is clear on the official video replay that the Judge made the right decision, the Team Representative should be called and given the opportunity to view the video replay. If the Team Representative agrees that the Judge made the right call, then that should be recorded on the dispute form and signed by the Team Representative and the Chief Judge or nominated official. No further action is required and the Judge in question does not need to be involved or called from his/her duties. The completed dispute form is to be stored and managed by the official Competition Secretary and kept with the results of the class in question.

7.1.10. If there is video evidence (from the official video) that the Judge may not have made the correct call, the Chief Judge or his designate is to then notify the Judge (at the earliest appropriate time – usually at a height change, break or end of Judging) and the Judge who made the call will have the right to review the videotape and to determine if they will overturn their decision or not. If the Judge is willing to overturn their own call, then the change is to be recorded on the dispute form (and original scribe sheet) and be signed by the Judge. The Team Representative is to be notified and the dispute form is to be given to the Competition Secretary so that results can be amended. The completed dispute form is to be kept with the results of the class in question.

7.1.11. If the Judge wishes to uphold their call (not overturn their original decision) and the video replay is either not clear either way, or is clear that the Judge did make an error call, then the Chief Judge is to call together the Judges Panel and/or IFCS Council members and form a Review Panel of five impartial officials (not including the Judge in dispute). The Review Panel selected should not have any conflict of interest and should not represent the country in question for the dispute. The Review Panel is to review all facts and the official video footage and a vote is to be taken to either stay with the Judges call or overturn the call and agree with the dispute. It requires a majority vote to overturn the Judge. The result of the vote is final and is to be recorded on the dispute form, along with all names of the Review Panel. The Team Representative and the Judge are to be made aware of the result of the ruling by the Review Board. If the Judge's call is overturned, then the Judge that made the call has no right of reply. If the Judge's call is overturned, the dispute form must be taken to the Secretary as soon as possible so that results can be amended. The completed dispute form is to be kept with the results of the class in question.

7.2. In any dispute or grievance that may arise with regards to clarification of these Event Regulations and/or the Agility Rules, or against an individual Official or a Team Member, a Dispute Form shall also be filed with the Chief Judge or nominated official. If the dispute involves the Chief Judge, the Dispute Form may be lodged directly with an IFCS Council Member. The decision regarding the dispute shall be rendered jointly by the Judge's Panel for the event and IFCS Council members in attendance (taking into account any conflict of interest that may require absence from any vote). In an extreme or sensitive situation the dispute or grievance may be passed directly to the IFCS Council and the Committee of Organizers and dealt with as per section 7.3. The IFCS Council will decide if the completed Dispute Form will be stored with the Official Competition Secretary – or if a matter of sensitivity, kept with the IFCS Council.

7.3. Any and all other matters related to discipline or grievances that falls outside the guidelines of 7.1 and 7.2 shall be heard and resolved by a Grievance Committee, which shall be appointed without bias by the Committee of Organizers and shall include IFCS Council members in attendance and a member of each National delegation present at the event to the extent possible, as well as from among the Panel of Judges and Committee of Organizers.

7.4. Through participation in this event, all Handlers and their delegation willingly and freely agree to abide by these Event Regulations and the IFCS Agility Rules, to respect the decisions of the Judges, Disputes Committee, Committee of Organizers and the Grievance Committee as final.

8. WAIVERS, DISCLAIMERS AND ASSIGNMENTS

8.1 - CONSIDERATION & WAIVER OF LIABILITY

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS ENTRY AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE AND/OR TO BE JUDGED IN THE EVENT ON THE DATES TO WHICH THIS ENTRY FORM APPLIES (THE "EVENT"), EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE PARTIES LISTED BELOW (INCLUDING EACH OF THEIR MEMBERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES), HEREINAFTER COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS THE "EVENT ORGANIZERS", FROM ANY CLAIM FOR LOSS OR INJURY THAT MAY BE ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO ANY PERSON OR THING BY THE ACT OF MYSELF OR THE DOG LISTED ON THE ENTRY FORM WHILE IN OR UPON THE EVENT PREMISES OR GROUNDS OR NEAR ANY ENTRANCE THERETO -

- THE EVENT'S ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
- THE HOST COUNTRY ORGANIZATION –
- INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CYNOLOGICAL SPORTS (“IFCS”)
- SPONSORS
- PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE PREMISES UPON WHICH THE EVENT IS HELD

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT FURTHER AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE EVENT ORGANIZERS FROM ANY CLAIM FOR LOSS OR INJURY OF THE DOG LISTED ON MY ENTRY FORM FOR THE EVENT AS A RESULT OF DISAPPEARANCE, THEFT, DEATH OR OTHER ACT, WHETHER SUCH LOSS OR INJURY IS CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED FOR ANY REASON, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE.

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR ANY CLAIMS REFERENCED IN THIS SECTION 8, INCLUDING LEGAL FEES.

8.2 - ACKNOWLEDGMENT & ACCEPTANCE OF REGULATIONS

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND IFCS OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND RULES FOR COMPETITION THAT RELATE TO THE EVENT, OF WHICH THIS SECTION IS A PART.

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT ACCEPT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ANY AND ALL RULINGS OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (AND ITS MEMBERS), THE EVENT'S GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE AND/OR IFCS COUNCIL RELATIVE TO MATTERS RELATED TO THE EVENT.

8.3 - ACKNOWLEDGMENT & REPRESENTATION OF ACCURACY

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT ACKNOWLEDGE, REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT THE INFORMATION SUPPLIED IN THE ENTRY FORM IS CORRECT AND COMPLETE. IF ANY PORTION OF THIS INFORMATION IS FOUND TO BE INVALID OR INSUFFICIENT TO ESTABLISH THE VALIDITY OF ENTRY, SUCH FINDING SHALL RENDER THE ENTRY INVALID IN ITS ENTIRETY, FOR WHICH THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND OF FEES PAID OR OTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE EVENT ORGANIZERS AND OTHER PARTIES LISTED IN SECTION 8.1 HEREIN. ANY ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR CORRECTIONS TO INFORMATION AFTER THE CLOSING DATE SHALL BE AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE HOST COUNTRY ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AND/OR IFCS COUNCIL.

8.4 - REPRESENTATION OF OWNERSHIP OR AGENCY

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT HEREBY REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT THEY ARE THE OWNER OF THE DOG LISTED HEREON, OR THAT THEY HAVE FULL AUTHORITY FROM THE DOG'S OWNER AS THEIR AGENT TO ENTER THE DOG IN COMPETITION AND TO ASSUME THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE CARE, CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE DOG FOR ENTRY TO THE EVENT, AND EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE PARTIES LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 8.1 FROM ANY LIABILITY OR CLAIMS, INCLUDING LEGAL FEES, RELATED TO SUCH OWNERSHIP OR AGENCY STATUS.

8.5 - MEDIA RELEASE, GRANTS & WAIVERS OF RIGHTS TO BROADCAST & PROMOTE

EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT HEREBY GRANT TO IFCS AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS AND ASSIGNS, ALL RIGHTS AND PERMISSION TO USE OR APPROPRIATE HIS/HER AND THEIR DOG'S NAME, BIOGRAPHY, LIKENESS, PHOTOGRAPH, VOICE, PERFORMING PERSONA, OR OTHER INDICIA OF IDENTITY FOR BROADCAST, TELECAST, CABLECAST, TRANSMISSION OR DISTRIBUTION IN ANY FORMAT OR MEDIA KNOWN NOW OR IN THE FUTURE.

8.6 - WAIVER OF RIGHTS TO PRIVACY, PUBLICITY & PERSONALITY

FURTHER, EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT HEREBY RELEASE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CYNOLOGICAL SPORTS (IFCS) AND ITS OFFICERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS, REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS AND ASSIGNS, AND THE HOST NATION AND ITS AFFILIATES AND THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS AND ASSIGNS FROM ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION FOR INVASION OF THE RIGHTS OF PRIVACY, RIGHT OF PUBLICITY, RIGHT OF PERSONALITY, OR ANY SIMILAR RIGHT.

8.7 - SUBMISSION & EXECUTION

THROUGH THE ACT OF SUBMISSION OF THE ENTRY FORM IN ANNEX A AND ANNEX B AND THROUGH THE ACT OF PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT, EACH COMPETITOR AND THE ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT ACKNOWLEDGE, ACCEPT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, AND ALL POLICIES, RULES, REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY TO THE EVENT ENUMERATED HEREIN.