FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



FIG WORLD CUP – VEGAS ACRO CUP LAS VEGAS, NV (USA) 22-24 MARCH 2019 B CATEGORY



Event ID: 15893

Dear affiliated Member Federation,

Following the decision of the FIG Presidential Commission, the Gymnastics Federation of The United States of America has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG World Cup.

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	Vegas Acro Cup President: Tanya Tashev 7020 West Warm Springs, Suite 170 Las Vegas, NV, 89113 Phone: +1 (321) 262-6642 Email Address: worldcupvegas@gmail.com		
LOCATION	Las Vegas, Nevada, USA		
DATE	From March 19 to March 25, 2019		

VENUE Rio Hotel, Casino and Convention Center 3700 W Flamingo Rd Las Vegas NV Phone number: 1-866-599-6674 Website: www.Cesears.com/Rio The training hall and competition venue are located inside the Rio Hotel, Casino and Convention Center. **APPARATUS** AAI International SSC Artistic Floor Exercise SC System SUPPLIER Ref. 432-491 (Valid until 11/30/2019) A detailed list of Apparatus supplied to be used for this world cup will be published on the FIG website. **PROVISIONAL** SCHEDULE March 19, 2019 Tuesday Arrival and Accreditation of Delegations March 20, 2019 Wednesday Accreditation of Delegations Training per Schedule **Orientation Meeting Judges Meeting** March 21, 2019 Thursday Training per Schedule March 22, 2019 Friday Qualification 1 March 23, 2019 Saturday Qualification 2 March 24, 2019 Sunday **Finals** March 25, 2019 Monday Departure of all Delegations **PARTICIPATION** The World Cup Competitions consist of Qualifications and Finals in all 5 categories. Participation in the Qualifications: • All competitors must take part in the qualifications. • In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied. Nevertheless, the gymnasts not qualified for the finals and with same final score will receive the same World Cup points. **Participation in the Finals:**

Category A and B tournaments must offer a Final in all 5 categories.

- The top eight units with no more than 2 per NF/per category from the qualifications qualify for the Finals. If there are less than 9 units, only 6 will proceed to the Final, with no more than 2 pairs or groups per NF.
- In addition, if the Organizing Member Federation has not qualified in any category, it may nominate one participation in max. 1 category of its choice.
- Maximum participation in the finals is therefore 8+1 participants in one category and 8 in the other four categories.
- Such "Wild Card Participant" must have participated in the respective category in the qualification.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied.

Cancellation Policy

- The <u>organizing member Federation (LOC)</u> may cancel the competition in the respective category if at the time of the definitive entry there are less than 4 units registered in a category. In case of such a cancellation, the LOC must reimburse, in full, the entry fee and payments made for accommodation. Should flights have to be cancelled due to the above, the risk is at the charge of the participating member Federations (NF).
- The participating member Federations (NF) may cancel its participation in a specific category without any penalty or payment for fees, accommodation and meals already booked, in case of less than 4 participating countries in that category after the definitive deadlines.
- Procedure and deadlines for the cancellation of a category by the LOC or participation by the NF is as follows:
 - FIG shall inform LOC and NF about the participation, within 5 days after the Definitive registration deadline.
 - LOC and NF have the possibility to cancel the event (in a specific category) respectively their participation within 5 days after information by the FIG. Such notification must be sent by e-mail or fax to the FIG. Cancellations after this deadline will not be accepted.

"HORS CONCOURS" GYMNASTS

The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add only for the qualifications "hors concours" competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official participants of the Organizing Member Federation's competitors; they must be named before the start of the qualifications and **cannot qualify for the final**. They will have to start first.

The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name 1 Men's Pair, 1 Woman's Pair, 1 Mixed pair, 1 Women's Group and 1 Men's Group as "hors concours" competitors.

FEDERATIONS INVITED

The Organising Member Federation must invite all FIG Member Federations who have paid their annual membership fee for Acrobatic Gymnastics.

SIZE OF DELEGATION AND FIG LICENCE

Participation is limited to 3 "units" per NF in each category

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 checking the validity of the gymnast Licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration.

The Organising Member Federation (OMF) may limit the participation with criteria to be defined by the OMF. Those criteria must be approved by the FIG.

The maximum size of the invited delegation is as follows:

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Head of delegation		1
Team Manager	(if 4 and more units)	1
	(if 8 and more units)	2
Coaches	(if 1 units)	1
	(if 2 to 5 units)	2
	(if 6 to 8 and more units)	3
	(if 9 and more units)	4
Gymnasts	(3 units per category)	39
Medical Doctor	-	1

	Paramedical Staff	(if 1 to 3 units)			1
	(if 4 and more units)				2
	Judges 2				
	A unit being a pair	or a group.			
	Out of competition gymnas	sts will not be accepted			
AGE LIMITS	Age limit: minimum 15 yea	ars (born in 2004 or befo	ore)		
JUDGES AND JURIES	The number of Juries (judges' panels) may be decided by the organizing member federation depending on the number of participating competitors and judges.				
	The Juries are set up by a draw - directed by the FIG Technical Representative - from the judges present at the event. Priority will be given to the judges of the highest category.				
	Please see also "General and ACRO Specific Judges' Rules".				
	The FIG Technical Representative will serve as President of the Superior Jury.				
	Each participating federation must provide a minimum of one judge. Failure to do so will result in a fine of 2'000 CHF- to be paid to the Organizing Member				
	Federation. The Organizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG brevet judges present with the appropriate category of brevet for their function. Should there not be sufficient judges, the Organizing Member Federation may propose to the FIG for approval the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 1 reserve). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG will invite such judges at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation.				
FIG TECHNICAL	The FIG Technical Delegate and EC member (if applicable) will be designated				
DELEGATE AND	by the FIG.				
EC MEMBER REGISTRATION DEADLINES	The FIG Technical Delegate will serve as President of the Superior Jury. Provisional , Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively on-line via the FIG website (http://www.gymnastics.sport) or accordingly. These registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations.				
	Provisional registration:	November 21, 2018	(4 montl event)	hs prior	to the
	Definitive registration: January 23, 2019 (2 months prior to the event)			to the	
	Nominative registration February 20, 2019 (4 weeks prior to the event)				
	Lost registrations are subject to fines as fallows:				
	Last registrations are subject to fines as follows: Fine for missing or late Provisional registration (if any) CHF 500				
	Fine for missing or late Definitive registration CHF 750				
	Fine for missing or late Nominative registration CHF 500 Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be				
	accepted and the Delegation participate.				
DRAWING OF LOTS	The drawing of lots will ta	ike place at the FIG He	eadquarters	s in Lausa	anne (SUI)
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two weeks after the closing date of the nominative registration – 05 March 2019 – 10H00.

ENTRY FEES

The non-reimbursable cost for the Entry Fee is of \$75.00 (USD) per gymnast. (Except in case of cancellation due to lack of participation.)

ACCOMMODATION

Official Hotel:

Rio Hotel, Casino and Convention Center

3700 W Flamingo Rd

Las Vegas NV

Telephone: +1 (866) 746-7671

Website: https://www.caesars.com/rio-las-vegas

The costs per room/night in this Hotel are as follows:

Room Rate Weekdays Monday – Thursday with NO breakfast (See meals) \$99.00 USD* (Single room, Double room, and Triple room) \$129.00 USD* (Quad room)

Room Rate Weekends Friday- Sunday with NO breakfast (See meals) \$135.00 USD* (Single room, Double room, and Triple room) \$165.00 USD* (Quad room)

*Room Rates include:

Resort Fee (\$20) per night, unlimited local calls, In-Room internet for 2 devices, two guest admissions to the Fitness Center, (does not include SPA). All rooms have small refrigerators. All rooms at this hotel are suites.

*Rates do NOT include tax, currently 13.38%. Subject to change.

RESERVATION METHOD: Federations will make reservations directly with the Hotel via a direct web link or the telephone call center. No accommodation form is necessary. (Note, there is a \$15.00 fee for using the call center. There is no fee for using the Direct Web Link.)

Rio Hotel Telephone Call Center Rio: +1 888-746-6955

Rio Hotel Direct Web Link Rio: https://book.passkey.com/go/SRVAC9

The last day to book at the group rate is March 1, 2019

The Rio offers the discounted rate for 3 days before and 3 days after the event.

The Hotel accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or Diners Club. A deposit of the first night's room and tax, for each room reserved, will be charged to the credit card at the time of the reservation. (Immediately)

Reservations in this hotel can be cancelled at NO charge up until 72 hours prior to arrival. If less than 72 hours' notice is given, the deposit is non-refundable.

Low Cost Hotel with limited rooms available:

Gold Coast Hotel and Casino

The costs per person/night in this low-cost Hotel are as follows:

Room Rate Weekdays Monday – Thursday with NO breakfast

\$73.00* Single, Double, Triple and Quad** Rooms

Room Rate Weekends: Friday – Sunday

\$126.00* Single, Double, Triple and Quad** Rooms

*Room Rates include: Resort fee (\$20.99), Access to the Fitness Center, in-room coffee, in-room safe, unlimited local & 800 calls as well as free Wi-Fi in Java Vegas Coffee Shop. All rooms at this hotel are suites.

Rates do not include tax, currently 13.38%. Subject to change.

**Please note: The Gold Coast hotel only provides 3 sets of towels in the room. If additional towels are necessary, the hotel will charge \$15.00/day. The LOC recommends that if there will be four (4) people in a room, you bring additional towels to avoid this charge.

RESERVATION METHOD: Federations will make reservations directly with Hotel via a direct web link or the Gold Coast telephone call center. The last day to book a room at the Gold Coast group rate is February 16, 2019.

Gold Coast Direct Web Link: www.goldcoastcasino.com/groups

Gold Coast Call Center: +1 888-402-6278

To receive the special group rate, the Reservation ID must be used. The reservation ID is A9VAC03.

The Hotel accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or Diners Club. For each room reserved, a deposit of the first night's accommodation, including tax, will be charged immediately.

Rooms at the Gold Coast may be cancelled at NO charge until 48 hours prior to the scheduled arrival.

The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. The Hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first serve" basis. *No Accommodation form is necessary.*

MEALS

The invited participating federations must pay for the meal expenses of their delegation members.

All meal charges are paid directly to the organizing committee. Federations may choose how many breakfasts, lunches, and dinners they want to purchase. Meal tickets, according to the number ordered, will be given at accreditation. The meal tickets are not dated. They can be used for meals on any day. (See below) Once the meal tickets have been verified at accreditation, no refunds will be provided for lost or unused tickets.

Meals are available starting from Dinner on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 and ending with Breakfast on Monday, March 25, 2019. Breakfast is available at both the Gold Coast Hotel and the Rio Hotel. However, lunch and dinner will only be served at the Rio Hotel Casino. Breakfast (Rio) and lunch will be served in the convention center next to the Venue. Dinner will be available at the Carnival World Buffet at the Rio Hotel and Casino. You will enjoy flavors from across the globe – 300 selections to be exact. It is one of the best buffets in Las Vegas.

Gold Coast Breakfast: \$14.00

Rio Breakfast: \$17.00 Rio Lunch \$19.00 Rio Dinner \$25.00

The Meal Form must be returned to the LOC by January 23, 2019 at the very latest. The total amount for meals must be sent by wire transfer by January 23, 2019. Last day for any refund of meals purchased is March 1, 2019

FINAL BANQUET

The accommodations package, booked through the OC, includes the closing banquet ticket for official delegation members (Head of Delegation, judges, coaches, athletes, managers, and doctors). Delegations not booking their accommodations through the Organizing Committee and additional visitors travelling with a delegation may purchase tickets to the Final Banquet by using the meal form. Tickets ordered with the meal form ahead of time will be \$45.00. The deadline is January 23, 2019.

Banquet tickets are refundable until March 1, 2019.

INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION

Final Banquet tickets may also be purchased at the event. The deadline is March 21, 2019, at 12:00 noon. Tickets purchased at the event will be \$50.00. The invited participating federations must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members.

Airport: Las Vegas Airport: McCarran International Airport (LAS)

For your information: The Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) is between a 4 and 5-hour drive from Las Vegas. The LOC will not be able to organize transportation from the Los Angeles Airport.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

The Travel Schedule Form must be returned to the LOC by February 20, 2019. There will be no local transportation provided in Las Vegas.

Delegations need to book and pay for transportation to and from the Las Vegas International Airport. Taxi service and Uber are available. However, special rates have been negotiated for those that wish to book with the LOC. Please see below to determine the type of transportation necessary for your delegation.

Vehicle Type	# of	Fee
	Passengers	
SUV	6	\$65.00
Limo	10	\$90.00
Small Bus	15	\$110.00
Large Bus	25	\$180.00
Extra Large Bus	50	\$300.00

	Provided the transportation form is submitted by the deadline, the LOC will organize the transport for your delegation. There is no money required to reserve transportation. Payments are made directly to the transportation cash and credit cards are accepted. (Please note it is not possible to change the type of vehicle on the day of arrival.) The training hall and competition venue are inside the official hotel. The alternative hotel is within 10 minutes walking distance. The Rio hotel provides a free shuttle service to and from the Las Vegas Strip every 30 minutes.
VISA	Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the United States Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to the United States. The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made as soon as possible, but before January 10, 2019 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 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 LOC will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy). Delegation members with insufficient insurance cover must inform the LOC in advance. The LOC will subsequently offer insurance at the Federations own charge as follows: \$45 per
ACCREDITATION	The Head of Delegation will be taken to the accreditation desk on the day of arrival, at a designated time. The following items will be checked at accreditation: - FIG License and Passport - Total payment of participation - Insurance - every delegation member needs a valid insurance - Music exercises - Tariff sheets - National anthem and national flag - Transport - confirmation of departure - Accreditation badges will be verified and given to the HOD. Please wear your accreditation at all times in the venue.
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS	Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG (e.g. annual membership fees, unpaid invoices, etc.) will not be allowed to participate in these World Cups. Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the LOC by the given deadline in the Invitation/Directives, may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation.

BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION	Each participating member Federation is kindly requested to integrate the payment's purpose as follows: <i>The Name of the Federation making the transfer.</i>		
	The participating federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.		
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	Bank: Bank of America		
	Bank: 7280 S. Rainbow Blvd, Las Vegas, NV, 89113		
	Bank: Tel: +1(702)-837-9228		
	Acct # 501018219861		
	Swift Code		
	- US Dollars: BofAUS3N		
	- Foreign Currency: BofAUS6S		
	Account Holder: Vegas Acro Cup, LLC		
	Account Holder Address: 7381 Elbridge Way, Las Vegas, NV, 89113 Tel:+1(702)-481-7707		
CANCELLATION	Accommodation: full reimbursement up to 72 hours (Rio) or 48 hours (Gold		
POLICY	Coast) before scheduled arrival. Meals: March 1, 2019		
	Banquet Tickets: March 1, if ordered by delegation meal form		
	Non-refundable if purchased at the venue.		
	Transportation: Does not apply		
TIE BREAKING RULES	In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied.		
RULES	The gymnasts with same final score will receive the same World Cup points.		
PRIZE MONEY	The organising member federation must pay a minimum prize money per		
	medallist as follows:		
	B - Tournaments: Total minimum CHF 7'800:		
	The Prize Money, free of any deductible taxes, will be distributed in USD as follows:		
	For Tournaments Category B: Total CHF 7.800		
	Gold 300 (per gymnast)		
	Silver 200 (per gymnast)		
	Bronze 100 (per gymnast)		
	In case of a tie, the prize money will be added and divided by the number of gymnasts:		
	1, 1, 3 (prize money for rank 1 and 2 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 2, (prize money for rank 2 and 3 is added and divided by 2)		
	No prize money, medals and World Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating Member Federations per category. This must be mentioned in the invitations.		

ASSIGNMENT OF WORLD CUP POINT FOR THE RANKING LIST

In principle, the results and the updated FIG World Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG web site within 24 hours after the end of the competitions provided that all procedures before and after the competitions are duly respected by the Organizing Member Federation.

Separate World Cup Series Ranking Lists are established for every category beginning with the first World Cup event of the year and ending with the last World Cup event of the year as follows:

- Men's Pairs
- Women's Pairs
- Mixed Pairs
- Women's Groups
- Men's Groups

Pairs are listed by name, but considered as an entity.

In case of change of partner, the Mixed Pair is considered as a new Pair.

Groups are listed by name, but considered as an entity.

One change of name in a Trio is allowed, but in case of a second change of name, the Trio is considered as a new Trio.

The World Cup Points are assigned to the competitors as follows:

Finals: ranking from 1st to 8th place (or 1st to 6th place)

Qualifications: ranking from 9th to 16th place (or 6st to 9th place)

Rank	World Cup Cat. B
1	30
2	25
3	20
4	18
5	16
6	14
7	12
8	10
9	8
10	7
11	6
12	5
13	4
14	3
15	2
16	1

The gymnasts with same final score will receive the same World Cup points.

In the case that there are less than four (4) units participating per apparatus or per category, no World Cup Points will be given.

"Wild Card Participants" will not receive any World Cup Points.

"Hors concours competitors" will not receive World Cup Points.

WINNER OF THE ANNUAL WORD CUP	The winner of the annual World Cup per category is the individual gymnast / pair / trio / group with the highest number of points of the World Cup Series Ranking List after the last event of the year: A special award ceremony will be held at the last World Cup Competition of the
	year (Cat. A) in which the World Cup winner will receive the World Cup.
EVENT MANAGER	Tonya Case 7020 West Warm Springs, Suite 170 Las Vegas, NV, 89113 Phone: +1 909 809 8637 Email: vegasworldcup@yahoo.com
MEDIA	Live Streaming will be available.
	Only journalists and photographers holding an official and valid press card recognized by international press agencies such as the AIPS and official Sports Journalists Associations / National Federations will be accredited. All media representatives (journalists, photographers, TV) must request an accreditation from the L.O.C.
SOCIAL MEDIA	Website: www.vegasacrocup.com
	Facebook: Vegas Acro Cup
	Instagram: Vegas Acro Cup
MEDICAL	Physical Therapist Team First Aid
SERVICES	Ambulance services on call
OFFICIAL	University Medical Center (10 minutes away)
HOSPITAL	1800 West Charleston Blvd.
	Las Vegas, Nevada 89102
	Phone: +1 702 383 2000
DOPING CONTROLS	For World Cup Competitions and Series, A and B Category, the Organizing
CONTROLS	Member Federation will provide a minimum of 5 doping controls at its own charge.
	Failure to do so will result in the deposit being lost in full.
MARKETING	FIG advertising and publicity norms must be respected.
VIDEO CONTROL	Should IRCOS not be available, the Organizing Member Federation must
SYSTEM	provide another video control system which allows to treat inquiries and records all exercises of the competition in a quality which allows to judge the exercises. AcrogymTV (Jack Welten)
RULES AND REGULATIONS	The competition must be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in these directives:
	- Statutes
	Code of Ethics
	Technical Regulations
	License Rules
	Code of Points and relevant Newsletters
	General Judges' Rules
	 Specific Judges' Rules for Acrobatic Gymnastics
	Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions
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	Doping Control RulesMedia RulesApparatus Norms		
	Advertising and Publicity Rules		
	Accreditation Rules		
	 Regulations for Awards Ceremonies 		
	and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee		
DEADLINES			
SUMMARY	Provisional Registration (on line)	November 21, 2018	
	Definitive Registration (on line)	January 23, 2019	
	Nominative Registration (on line)	February 20, 2019	
	Accommodation Form	N/A – Book direct with hote	
	Travel Schedule Form	February 20, 2019	
	Visa Request Form	January 10, 2019	
	Meals Form	January 23, 2019	
	Payment of the Entry Fee	January 23, 2019	
	Payment of the Accommodation Costs	Deposit with reservation	
		Payment in full at Check-ou	
	Payment of the local transportation	Day of Arrival	
	Payment of the Meals	January 23, 2019	
	Payment of the Final Banquet with meal form	January 23, 2019	
	On Site at additional cost:	March 20, 2019	
	Payment of the fine for missing judge	January 23, 2019	
ADDITIONAL	Please see the Vegas Acro Cup Website for special	al discounts for Las Vegas	
INFORMATION	Shows.		

Sincerely Yours, Indianapolis, 16 August 2018



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