



**OPEN AZERBAIJAN & BAKU AEROBIC  
GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018  
AMONG AGE CATEGORIES  
BAKU, AZERBAIJAN  
OCTOBER 6 & 7, 2018**




**DIRECTIVES**

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Dear Friends,

Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation has the pleasure to invite you to the Open Azerbaijan and Baku Championships in Aerobic Gymnastics.

<b>DISCIPLINE</b>	<b>Aerobic Gymnastics</b>
<b>HOST FEDERATION</b>	<p><b>Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation</b>          Contact Person: Azer Novruzov          MGA - Milli Gimnastika Arenası (National Gymnastics Arena)          178 Heydar Aliyev Avenue          AZ1029, Baku, Azerbaijan          Tel: +99412 493 30 11          Mob: +99450 200 5085          Fax: +99412 493 9500          E-mail: <a href="mailto:gymnastics@aqf.az">gymnastics@aqf.az</a>          Website: <a href="http://www.aqf.az">www.aqf.az</a></p>
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>Baku, Azerbaijan</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>October 6 &amp; 7, 2018</b>
<b>VENUE</b>	<p><b>MGA - Milli Gimnastika Arenası (National Gymnastics Arena)</b>          108 Heydar Aliyev Avenue          AZ1029, Baku, Azerbaijan          Tel: +99412 566 9699          Fax: +99412 566 9694 Website: <a href="http://www.mga.az">www.mga.az</a></p>
	
	<p>The MGA was officially opened in April 2014. This gymnastics specialized Arena has already hosted the 30th Rhythmic Gymnastics European Championships (2014), the 1stWTF World Cadet Taekwondo Championships (2014), as well as 2015 NN Table Tennis Club ITTF-Europe Top 16</p>

	<p>CUP”, Open Joint Azerbaijan Championships in Gymnastics Disciplines (held as a Test Event for the 1st European Games (2015), Competitions in 6 Gymnastics Disciplines of the 1st European Games (2015), the FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup AGF Trophy (2016), the FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy (2016 &amp; 2017), the FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy (2016, 2017 &amp; 2018), the FIG Artistic Gymnastics Individual Apparatus World Cup AGF Trophy (2017 &amp; 2018), the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games (2017), 2017 CEV U16 Volleyball European Championships among women, the 26<sup>th</sup> European Championships in Trampoline, Tumbling and Double-Mini Trampoline (2018), AGF RG Junior Trophy in Rhythmic Gymnastics (2018). The Arena has the ability to stretch from 5,000 to 9,600 seats, depending on the size and the nature of the event it hosts. This sports facility has become a favourite training camp venue of many gymnasts all over the world.</p>
<b>APPARATUS SUPPLIED</b>	<p>SPIETH Gymnastics Aerobic Floor "Baku" produced by Janssen-Fritsen Ref. No. 1790560</p>
<b>RULES</b>	<p>The event will be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the event, except for any deviation mentioned in these directives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statutes</li> <li>• Technical Regulations</li> <li>• Code of Points and relevant Newsletters</li> <li>• General Judges' Rules</li> <li>• Specific Judges' Rules</li> <li>• Doping Control Rules</li> <li>• Licence rules (except for non competitive events)</li> <li>• Media Rules</li> <li>• Apparatus Norms</li> <li>• FIG Rules for Sanctioning (approval) of International Events</li> <li>• Advertising and Publicity Rules</li> </ul> <p>and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee</p>
<b>AGE LIMITS</b>	<p><b>Open Azerbaijan and Baku Championships Among Age Categories</b> Seniors: 18 years and over (born in 2000 or before) Juniors (AG2): 15-17 (born in 2001-2003) <b>All gymnasts must have an FIG licence valid until the end of the event.</b></p>
<b>COMPETITION FORMAT</b>	<p>The competitions will be held in the following categories:</p> <p>Individual men (IM) Individual women (IW) Mixed Pair (MP) Trio (TR) Group (GR)</p> <p>The competition consists of Qualifications and Finals in all Age Groups and all above-mentioned 5 categories.</p> <p><b>Qualifications</b></p> <p>There is no limit on the number of participants per category and country in the Qualifications.</p> <p><b>Finals</b></p> <p>The top 8 gymnasts from the Qualifications in each Age Group (Seniors, Juniors, Pre-juniors, 9-11, 7-8) and Category (IM, IW, MP, TR, GR) will take part in the Finals (maximum 2 per category and country). The hosting country is entitled to participate with 3 representatives in each Category and Age Group.</p>

	<p>Moreover, if the organizing Federation has not qualified for the final in any of the Categories, it may nominate one representative in max. 1 category in each Age Group of its choice.</p> <p><b>Note: if there is less than 8 gymnats in any category and/or any age group, no finals will be held in the concerned category and/or any age group. In this case, the athletes will be awarded according to the Qualification results. According to the rules of the National Championships of the Republic of Azerbaijan, if there is less than 4 gymnasts in any category and/or any age group, the athletes will not be awarded with diploma and medals. They will be presented with gifts from the organizers.</b></p>				
<b>PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE</b>	<p>October 4 / <b>Thursday</b>: Arrival of delegations  October 5 / <b>Friday</b>: Official Podium training  October 6 / <b>Saturday</b>: <b>1<sup>st</sup> competition day</b>  October 7 / <b>Sunday</b>: <b>2<sup>nd</sup> competition day (Finals)</b>  October 8 / <b>Monday</b>: Departure of delegations</p> <p>Detailed schedule of the competitions will be provided upon arrival.</p>				
<b>JUDGES</b>	<p><b>All judges must have a current valid FIG brevet.</b></p> <p>Competitions will be evaluated by one Judges' Panel as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 CJP</li> <li>• 2 Difficulty (D) Judges</li> <li>• 4 Execution (E) Judges</li> <li>• 4 Artistic (A) Judges</li> <li>• 2 Line</li> <li>• 1 Time</li> </ul> <p>The judges will be assigned by a draw. The priority will be given to the judges with the highest FIG Brevet.</p>				
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINES</b>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Provisional entry</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>August 3, 2018</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nominative entry</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>September 3, 2018</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>The provisional entry shall be made by sending e-mail to the following address: <a href="mailto:gymnastics@aqf.az">gymnastics@aqf.az</a>. Please indicate in the email the categories and age groups you are interested in to participate. The nominative entry shall be submitted to the LOC online (the link and sign in details to access the online program will be sent to the participating delegations after the provisional entry's deadline).</p>	Provisional entry	<b>August 3, 2018</b>	Nominative entry	<b>September 3, 2018</b>
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<b>ENTRY FEES</b>	No Entry Fee will be applied for this event.				
<b>VISA</b>	<p>Please verify immediately with your travel agent or Embassy or Consulate of Azerbaijan in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Azerbaijan. The LOC will assist you with a visa support letter provided that the participating Federations have submitted their visa request to the LOC online (the link and sign in details to access the online program will be sent to the participating delegations after the provisional entry's deadline) by <b>September 3, 2018 at the latest.</b></p> <p>More information about the visa can be obtained on the following links:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <a href="http://www.mfa.gov.az/?language=en&amp;options=content&amp;id=184">http://www.mfa.gov.az/?language=en&amp;options=content&amp;id=184</a></li> <li>2) <a href="http://mfa.gov.az/?language=en&amp;options=content&amp;id=277">http://mfa.gov.az/?language=en&amp;options=content&amp;id=277</a></li> <li>3) <a href="http://mfa.gov.az/files/file/visa%20fees.pdf">http://mfa.gov.az/files/file/visa%20fees.pdf</a></li> <li>4) <a href="http://www.evisa.gov.az">www.evisa.gov.az</a></li> </ol> <p>The more information on visa can be obtained from the LOC's following e-mail: <a href="mailto:office@aqf.az">office@aqf.az</a></p>				

<b>INSURANCE</b>	<p>The Host Federation, the LOC and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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: 15 Euro per person/day.</p>
<b>PHOTOS AND MUSIC</b>	<p>During the competitions, the photos of all IM, IW, MP, TR, GR will be displayed on the screen as a part of scoring system. Each participating Federation is kindly requested to upload photos and passport copy of each member of its delegation (gymnasts, coaches, judges and etc.) into the LOC online. The link and appropriate log-in details to access the online program will be sent to each participating Federation after the deadline of the Provisional Registration.</p> <p><u>The deadline for the photos upload (identity colour photo in JPG format, size – 45mm x 35mm, resolution: 800x600plx) is <b>September 3, 2018</b>. Please clearly indicate the corresponding full name (with correct spelling) in the file title.</u></p> <p>Music in mp3 format (for each IM, IW, MP, TR, GR) shall also be sent to the OC (<a href="mailto:gymnastics@aqf.az">gymnastics@aqf.az</a>) by <b>September 3, 2018</b>.</p> <p>2 sets of Audio CDs of the music are also required to be submitted to the OC upon arrival.</p>
<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>	<p><u>Delegations will be accommodated at 4-star Hotel</u></p> <p>The costs per person/night are follows:  Single room – 55 EUR  Twin room – 45 EUR</p> <p><b>The prices include accommodation and breakfast.</b></p> <p>The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. The Accommodation request must be submitted to the LOC online (the link and appropriate log-in details to access the online program will be sent to each participating Federation after the deadline of the Provisional Registration) by <b>September 3, 2018</b>. The delegations may pay for the accommodation upon arrival.</p>
<b>MEALS</b>	<p><b>4 star hotel</b>  Lunch - EUR 15.- (each)  Dinner - EUR 15.- (each)</p> <p>Lunch will also be offered at MGA (competition venue) at the cost of EUR 15.- (each)</p> <p>Meals requests must be submitted to the LOC online (log-in details to be sent by the LOC after the provisional entry) by <b>September 3, 2018</b> at the very latest.</p> <p>The delegations may pay for the meals costs upon arrival.</p>
<b>INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION</b>	<p>The participating delegations must pay for the International travel costs of their delegation members.</p> <p><u>The LOC will meet and see of the official members of the delegations at</u></p>

	<u>Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD), bus or railway station in Baku.</u>																	
	<u>The Travel Details must be submitted to the LOC online (log-in details to be sent by the LOC after the provisional entry) by September 3, 2018.</u>																	
<b>LOCAL TRANSPORTATION</b>	The delegations will be provided with local transportation from the official hotel to the competition/training venue and back.																	
<b>COMPETITION MANAGMENT</b>	Competitions' Director Natalya Bulanova Tel.: +99412 493 3011 200 5085 E-mail: <a href="mailto:td@agf.az">td@agf.az</a>	Competitions' Administrator Azer Novruzov Tel.: +99412 493 3011/ +99450  E-mail : <a href="mailto:gymnastics@agf.az">gymnastics@agf.az</a>																
<b>MEDICAL SERVICES</b>	The Organizing Committee will provide first aid medical services. Persons registered as physiotherapists/masseurs within the delegations should have the appropriate diploma certifying their medical education.																	
<b>SCORING SERVICE</b>	SMART SCORING Company will provide a scoring service.																	
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	<p><b>There will also be held competitions among the following age categories.</b></p> <p><b>Open Azerbaijan and Baku Championships Among Age Categories</b> AG1: 12-14 (born in 2004-2006) ND: 9-11 (born in 2007-2009)</p> <p><b>Open Baku Championship Among Age Categories</b> ND: 7-8 (born in 2010 &amp; 2011) All gymnasts except ND: 9-11 (born in 2007-2009) and ND: 7-8 (born in 2010 &amp; 2011) must have a valid FIG License.</p>																	
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Sincerely Yours,

Baku, June 21, 2018



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