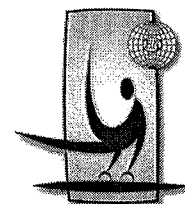


# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



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## 2009 FIG JUDGES' RULES SPECIFIC RULES FOR MEN'S ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS

The FIG has approved 2009 FIG General Judges' Rules which are applicable to all competitive disciplines. The specific rules and clarifications listed below apply only to this discipline and are in compliance with the General Judges' Rules.

### ARTICLE 1: GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Refer to General Rules

### ARTICLE 2: CATEGORIES AND EXAMINATION CRITERIA

The following conditions must be met by the judge in order to obtain and/or maintain his Category.

Cat.	Requirements to Obtain Category	Requirements to Maintain Category
<b>IV</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Highest national brevet and proposed by his Federation</li><li>• Attend International Course</li><li>• Pass examination with minimum 78%</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attend International Course</li><li>• Have judged 2 international competitions during the cycle just completed</li></ul>
<b>III</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Category IV and proposed by his Federation</li><li>• Have judged 2 international competitions during the cycle just completed</li><li>• Attend International (cat. IV) or intercontinental (cat. III) Course</li><li>• Pass examination with minimum 82%</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have judged 2 international competitions during the cycle just completed</li><li>• Attend Intercontinental or International Course</li></ul>
<b>II</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Category III and proposed by his Federation</li><li>• Have judged 4 international competitions during the cycle just completed</li><li>• Attend Intercontinental (min. category III) or International Judges' Course</li><li>• Pass examination with minimum 86% at Intercontinental Course or International Course</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have judged 4 international competitions during the cycle just completed</li><li>• Attend Intercontinental or International Course</li></ul>
<b>I</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Category II and proposed by his Federation</li><li>• Have judged 4 international competitions during the cycle just completed (1 must be World Championships or Olympic Games)</li><li>• Attend Intercontinental Judges Course</li><li>• Pass the examination with over 86% at Intercontinental Course</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have judged 4 international competitions during the cycle just completed (1 must be World Championships or Olympic Games)</li><li>• Attend Intercontinental Judges Course</li><li>• Pass the examination with over 86% at Intercontinental Course</li><li>• Receive special exemption according to Article 4.1.7</li><li>• Be a member of the MTC in the Cycle just completed</li></ul>

## Examination and Criteria for a 12<sup>th</sup> Cycle FIG Men's Judges' Brevet

- The judges examination for Intercontinental or International courses will consist in a practical (based on video registrations), and a theoretical part.
- The Practical part consists in the evaluation of a number of 10 exercises on every apparatus, first 5 as "D" Jury, and next 5 as "E" Jury (for vaults only 5 vaults as "E" Jury will be requested). Judges must recognize, determine, and record:
  - The number of all counting difficulties ( A, B, C, D, E, F, G parts), and the total of "D" score for each exercise;
  - The total deduction for every of 5 exercises judged as "B" Judges.
- The Theory part consists in a multiple choice questionnaire which is including 100 questions (20 questions from the generalities, 30 theoretical questions on apparatuses (5 on each of 6 apparatus), and 50 questions - 10 on each apparatus (except vaults) concerning recognition of difficulties.
- The minimum required scores for a Category IV rating from an International Course are listed below:
 

1. Recognition of difficulties:	<b>Minimum passing average percentage 75%</b>
A-parts	60%
B-parts	65%
C-parts	70%
D-parts	75%
E-parts	80%
F-G parts	85%
2. "D" Score or Content Value	<b>Minimum passing average percentage 80%</b>
3. "E" Score – Execution Deductions	<b>Minimum passing average percentage 75%</b>
4. Theory Examination	<b>Minimum passing percentage 80%</b>

### Overall Minimum passing percentage 78% (average of the above 4 percentage scores)

- Even if the judge has achieved an overall passing mark of 78% or higher, he may fail at most one evaluation components, except point 1, Recognition of difficulties. Failing to reach these minimum standards will result in **no Brevet** being awarded.
- In the case of failure, a judge may attend at most one other course during the cycle and attempt to pass the examination there. He must re-take the entire course, **and the failed components of the examination**. Application for re-taking a course must be made in writing to the Men's Technical President.
- The overall passing mark required for the higher Judges' Categories is presented below.

### Required Examination Results for each Category

CATEGORY	INTERCONTINENTAL COURSE	INTERNATIONAL COURSES
Category I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All over 86% overall percentage, and minimum 90% under "D" score, with FIG competition experience</li> <li>• All 11<sup>th</sup> Cycle MTC members</li> <li>• Not more than 2 per country except for MTC members</li> </ul>	Not available from Continental, International or National Courses
Category II	86% overall percentage, and minimum 85% under "D" score	86% overall percentage, and minimum 85% under "D" score
Category III	82%	82%
Category IV	Not applicable because participants must be Category III or higher	78%

- Judges may increase their current Judges' Category by at most one category within one cycle.
- In any case, a Category I rating can be achieved only at the Intercontinental Course.
- Except for Category I, current 11<sup>th</sup> Cycle judges need not write the examination in order to maintain their Category, but they must participate in a course. Category I judges who choose not to write the examination will be designated as Category II judges for the 12<sup>th</sup> Cycle.
- Judges who participate in the examination to upgrade their Category, but fail to achieve the required score, will receive the category corresponding with the achieved percentage.

## Judges' Evaluation

### E-Jury Evaluation

- For the purpose of judges' analysis (also during competitions), the following deviations from the final deductions awarded in competition are in effect:

E-JURY DEDUCTION TOLERANCES		
Gymnast's final deduction	Score	Allowed deviation by judge
0 – 0.40	9.60 - 10.00	0.10
>0.40 – 0.60	9.40 - 9.60	0.20
>0.60 – 1.00	9.00 - 9.40	0.30
>1.00 – 1.50	8.50 - 9.00	0.40
>1.50 – 2.00	8.00 - 8.50	0.50
>2.00 – 2.50	7.50 - 8.00	0.60
>2.5	< 7.50	0.70

- (Note: it is possible that the most deviating deduction is the most correct. In that case, following video review, the MTC will protect the judge who gave the correct deduction and consider the others to have deviated from that correct deduction rather than from the final competition deduction)
- Judges of the E-jury will be evaluated at each FIG Competition based, in part, on the frequency of excessive deviations, as presented above, which occurred during the competition. The evaluation of the judge's work and the consequences are presented in the chart below.

Frequency, Evaluation and Consequences of Excessive Deviations				
% or # of excessive deviations during competition			Evaluation of E-judge	Overview of actions taken* (most negative actions require video confirmation)
Qualification	Team & AA Finals	Finals		
0% - 2%	1 deviation	0 deviations	Excellent	Reward letter, copy to federation
>2% - 3%	2 deviations	-	Very Good	---
>3% - 5%	3 deviations	1 deviation	Good	---
>5% - 8%	4 deviations	-	Weak	Verbal warning
>8%	>4 deviations	>1 deviation	Unsatisfactory	Penalty to be decided according to the regulations presented below

\*A detailed list of the consequences of good and bad judging appears under Article 6 of this document and the General Judges' Rules.

- Additional E-jury evaluation at every competition will include, but not be restricted to:
  - Inspection of scores for signs of team and/or individual bias.
  - Consistency of evaluation throughout the competition.
  - Other provisions as outlined in the Code of Points, the Technical Regulations, and Article 6 of the FIG Judges' Regulations.

### D-Jury Evaluation

- Judges of the D-jury may not exceed the following frequency of errors (even corrected following an Inquiry) in the determination of the Start Value awarded in competition nor in the frequency of inability to record the exercises correctly.

Frequency, Evaluation and Consequences of D-jury Errors				
% or # of start value errors or inability to record exercise during competition			Evaluation of D-judge	Overview of actions taken* (most negative actions require video confirmation)
Qualification	Team & AA Finals	Finals		
0% - 2%	0 errors	0 errors	<b>Excellent</b>	Reward letter, copy to federation
>2% - 3%	-	-	<b>Very Good</b>	---
>3% - 5%	1 error	-	<b>Good</b>	---
>5% - 8%	2 errors	-	<b>Weak</b>	Verbal warning
>8%	>2 errors	≥1 error	<b>Unsatisfactory</b>	Penalty to be decided according to the regulations presented below

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- Additional D-jury evaluation at every competition will include, but not be restricted to:
  - Ability to accurately record the competition exercises.
  - Signs of team and/or individual bias.
  - Consistency of evaluation decisions throughout the competition.
  - Other provisions as outlined in the Code of Points, the Technical Regulations, and Article 6 of the FIG Judges' Regulations.

### ARTICLE 4: JUDGES' COURSES

Refer to FIG General Judges' Rules

### ARTICLE 5: COMPETITION GROUPS AND ELIGIBILITY

#### Eligibility of Judges

Judges are eligible and qualified to fulfill the following functions at International Competitions depending on their Category. Note: these regulations can only serve as recommendations for competitions that are not under the control of the FIG, but FIG member Federations and other Organizations are urged to adhere to these regulations whenever possible.

FUNCTIONS THAT JUDGES ARE QUALIFIED TO FULFILL																
Cat.	Course Expert	Group 1			Group 2			Group 3			Group 4			Group 5		
		D1	D2	E	D1	D2	E	D1	D2	E	D1	D2	E	D1	D2	E
I	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
II	*		***	√		√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
III	**						***	***	***	√	***	√	√	√	√	√
IV										√		***	√	***	√	√

The allocation of the competitions to the 5 groups is mentioned in point 5 of the FIG General Judges Rules

\* By appointment of the Men's Technical Committee only, or expert's assistants.

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\*\*\* If needed.

**ARTICLE 6: RECOGNITION / AWARDS, SANCTIONS AND APPEALS OF JUDGES – FOR FIG OFFICIAL COMPETITIONS UNDER JURISDICTION OF THE RESPECTIVE TC**

- The following chart represents a detailed summary of the possible rewards or sanctions that can be applied in relationships with the behavior and/or performance of a judge. (Note: Wherever possible, negative actions except for verbal warnings are first verified by video tape analysis.)

Recognition / awards: refer to General Rules

<b>WARNINGS AND SANCTIONS DURING THE COMPETITION</b>			
<b>Judges' Behaviour</b>	<b>Action taken by</b>	<b>Nature of possible actions</b>	<b>Appeal Body</b>
<b>Judging performance</b>			
Weak evaluation	TC members in the Superior Jury and/or TC President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Verbal warning</b></li> <li>The following may take place after</li> <li>• Notation in Judge's Log Book</li> </ul>	None
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instances of obviously incorrect judging decisions during competition</li> <li>Showing favouritism or disfavour toward an individual gymnast or a team</li> </ul>	TC members in the Superior Jury and/or TC President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Verbal warning</b></li> <li>Three or more such instances will result in an overall unsatisfactory evaluation and be subject to the same actions and appeals (see below)</li> </ul>	None
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unsatisfactory evaluation</li> <li>E-judge gives an impossible score (e.g. 0.9 for exercise with a fall)</li> <li>≥3 instances of obviously incorrect judging decisions during competition</li> <li>Continued unjustified large deviations below or above the deductions for errors as stated in the Code of Points, <u>after having been given a verbal warning</u></li> <li>Having spoken with other judges and/or given some signs following verbal warning</li> </ul>	<p>TC (TC President) during competition</p> <p>Presidential Commission following the Disciplinary Commission request for post-competition sanctions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Immediate replacement during competition</b></li> <li>The following may take place after:</li> <li>• Written notification</li> <li>• Suspension</li> <li>• Downgrade of Category</li> <li>• Possible removal of brevet</li> <li>• Federation receives warning letter</li> <li>• Federation is denied a judge at one or more FIG competitions (OG, WC)</li> <li>• Publication in FIG Bulletin</li> <li>• Notation in Judge's Log Book</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jury of Appeal during competition</li> <li>FIG Appeal Tribunal</li> </ol>
<b>Behavioral Violations</b>			
<b>Minor behavioral violations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incorrect uniform</li> <li>Not having a of Code of Points and official updates</li> </ul>	TC (TC President)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> time - Verbal warning</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> time in same competition – replacement in competition</li> <li>Written warning with copy to Federation</li> <li>Notation in Judge's Log Book</li> </ul>	None
<b>Severe behavioral violations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Having used means of communication which are not permitted (e.g. mobile phone)</li> <li>Showing favouritism or disfavour toward an individual gymnast or a team</li> <li>Collusion with other judges</li> <li>Communicating with other judges by any means during or immediately after a performance</li> <li>Abusive behavior</li> <li>Obstructing the competition</li> <li>Non-adherence to instructions of TC or Competition Director</li> </ul>	<p>TC (TC President) during competition;</p> <p>Presidential Commission following the Disciplinary Commission request for post-competition sanctions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immediate replacement during competition (or excluded from judges' draw) plus one or more of:</li> <li>• Written notification</li> <li>• Suspension for a period of time to be decided</li> <li>• Downgrade of Category or removal of brevet</li> <li>• Federation receives warning letter</li> <li>• Federation is denied a judge at one or more FIG competitions (OG, WC)</li> <li>• Publication in FIG Bulletin</li> <li>• Notation in Judge's Log Book</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jury of Appeal during competition</li> <li>FIG Appeal Tribunal</li> </ol>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proven cheating or other corrupt behavior</li> <li>• Not attending official activities and instructions (in accordance with the Code of Points and the TR ) during the official period of the competition</li> <li>• Late for start of official activities</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
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**Sanctions after the competition and sanctions against the Federation  
see General Judges' Rules**

## FINAL PROVISIONS

The principles of the FIG General Judges' Rules have been approved by the Executive Committee at its meeting in Cape Town (RSA) in May 2008. The details of the Specific Rules for each discipline were developed by the Technical Committees and have been modified by the Statutes Commission and the Presidential Commission following the authorization of the EC. They enter into effect on January 2009 and replace all previous rules.

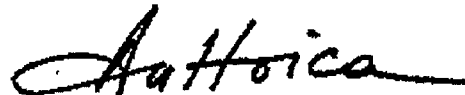
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