



WORLD CHALLENGE CUP

GYM PARIS

INTERNATIONAUX DE FRANCE DE GYMNASTIQUE

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2- EQUIPMENT

OFFICIAL SUPPLIERS:

- GYMNOVA, for all apparatus, mats and springboards
- SWISS TIMING, for scoring

3- COMPETITION AND TRAINING SITE

ACCOR ARENA

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4- OFFICIAL HOTELS – DELEGATION AND LOC

Spartner Agency (<http://accommodation-gymnasticsparis.com>) oversees all accommodation for all delegations booking official hotels.

1/ Hôtel Novotel Paris Bercy (** supérieur)**

209-211 Rue de Bercy
75012 PARIS
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2/ Hôtel Ibis Styles Bercy (*)**

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5- TRANSPORTS

Federations are responsible for all international travel costs.

Spartner Agency is in charge for transportation from and to the airports and train stations.

All federation will be welcomed at international Paris airports (Charles De Gaulle or Orly) or train stations according to the travel plan received by the LOC.

The Accor Arena is at a walking distance from all official hotels. No shuttle bus.

6- MEALS

Meals booked with the LOC through **Spartner Agency** will be served at the restaurant of the hotel "Novotel Paris Bercy" for all the delegations.

Showing of accreditations will be mandatory to access dinner.

Opening hours:

- Lunch from 11.30 to 14.30
- Dinner from 19.00 to 22.30

A farewell party is offered to all federations that have booked accommodation with the LOC through **Spartner Agency**. It will take place on **Sunday September 27th at 20.30 - Salon Starlight (Accor Arena)**.

More information will be provided at the orientation meeting.

7- GENERAL SCHEDULE AND COMPETITION FORMAT OF GYM PARIS 2026

7.1- General Schedule: Subject to slight changes

Thursday, September 24th			
All day		Arrivals	Gate 28
09.00	22.00	Accreditation	Gate 28
16.00	20.00	Free training	Phantom Hall
Friday, September 25th			
09.00	12.00	Training according to schedule - warm up hall	Phantom Hall
09.30	12.30	Podium training according to schedule	FOP
14.30	17.30	Podium training according to schedule	FOP
15.00	18.00	Training according to schedule - warm up hall	Phantom Hall
16.30	18.00	Judges meeting WAG – Qualifications draw and instruction	3B09 - level 3
17.00	18.30	Judges meeting MAG – Qualifications draw and instruction	3B07 - level 3
18.00	18.30	Scoring system WAG instruction	3B09 - level 3
18.30	19.00	Scoring system MAG instruction	3B07 - level 3
19.00	20.00	Orientation meeting (<i>max 1 person per NF: the Head of Delegation or their representative</i>)	Chabala Hall
Saturday, September 26th			
09.00	13.40	Free warm up during all the competition	Phantom Hall
14.00	18.40	Free warm up during all the competition	Phantom Hall
MAG-WAG Apparatus Qualifications (Detailed timing will be given at the Orientation Meeting)			
10.30	13.45	QUALIFICATIONS 1st part (FX-PH-SR / VT-UB-BB-FX)	FOP
15.30	18.45	QUALIFICATIONS 2nd part (VT-PB-HB / UB-BB-FX)	FOP
Sunday, September 27th			
12.00	12.45	WAG judges meeting – Finals draw	3B09 - level 3
12.00	12.45	MAG judges meeting – Finals draw	3B07 - level 3
10.00	11.45	Free training	Phantom Hall
11.45	12.45	Free training on podium for all finalists	FOP
12.45	18.30	Free warm up during all the competition	Phantom Hall
MAG-WAG Apparatus FINALS			
13.30	14.10	MAG FLOOR EXERCISE	FOP
14.10	14.55	WAG VAULT / MAG POMMEL HORSE	FOP
14.55	15.40	WAG UNEVEN BARS / MAG RINGS	FOP
15.45	16.10	Award ceremonies - 5 first finals	FOP
16.30	17.05	MAG VAULT	FOP
17.05	17.50	WAG BALANCE BEAM / MAG PARALLEL BARS	FOP
17.50	18.35	WAG FLOOR EXERCISE / MAG HIGH BAR	FOP
18.40	19.05	Award ceremonies - 5 last finals	FOP
19:05	19:20	Closing parade (for gymnasts, coaches and judges)	FOP
20.30	00.30	Farewell party	Accor Arena Starlight
Monday September 28th			
All day		Departures	

7.2- Format:

World Challenge Cup rules 2025-2028 and FIG Technical Regulations will apply for Qualifications and Finals.

Qualifications:

- Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per NF on each apparatus.
- In addition, the Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name a max. of 4 “hors concours” competitors (from the Organizing Member Federation) in Women’s Artistic Gymnastics and a max. of 4 “hors concours” competitors (from the Organizing Member Federation) in Men’s Artistic Gymnastics for a total of 8 “hors concours” gymnasts (i.e. while one “hors concours” gymnast can compete on more than one apparatus, not more than one “hors concours” gymnast can compete on an apparatus). They must be named at the time of the closing of the nominative registration, and they cannot qualify for the Finals. They are not eligible to receive World Challenge Cup points; they must not appear on the official results lists and they will have to start first at every apparatus.
- A competitor can be registered as “Gymnast” on an apparatus and as “Hors-Concours Gymnast” on another apparatus.
- WGYM Apparatus Finals rules will be applied for vault.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up in the Technical Regulations, Section 2, shall be applied.

Finals:

- The best eight gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals
- Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per NF on each apparatus.
- In addition to the 8 finalists, if the Organizing Member Federation is not represented in the Finals (men or women), it has the right of maximum 2 wild cards as follows: 1 man and 1 woman gymnast only at one apparatus each. Gymnasts entering in Apparatus Final with wild card will have to start first.
- These “Wild Card Gymnasts” must have participated at the respective apparatus in the qualification.
- “Wild Card Gymnasts” will receive medals and prize money.
- “Wild Card Gymnasts” will receive World Challenge Cup points (if any) based on the ranking obtained during Qualifications.
- WGYM Apparatus Finals rules will be applied for vault.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up in the Technical Regulations, Section 2, shall be applied.

7.3- Participation and drawing of lots

Gymnasts can only compete on the apparatus they register for.

At the time of the nominative registration, the apparatus on which the gymnast will compete must be mentioned. Until accreditation, gymnast may be changed, and apparatus can be added as long as 2 gymnasts/apparatus/NF is respected.

All delegations upon accreditation must submit a confirmation of starting order forms, a final validation of the delegation’s apparatus and starting order.

Draws for qualifications and finals will be conducted electronically on **Friday, September 25th at 12.30.**

The result of the draw will be shared to the delegations via Sportity (see 8.2) and confirmed during the orientation meeting.

7.4- Size of delegation

Maximum number of gymnasts and officials per delegation is according to the WGYM rules, as follows:

Composition	Men	Women	Total
Head of delegation	1	1	1
Team manager	1	1	2
Coaches (max. 1 per gymnast)	3	3	6
Gymnasts	6	4	10
Medical Doctor	1	1	1
Paramedical staff	1	1	2
Mental Health Professional	1	1	1
Judges	2	2	4

Access to warm-up, training and FOP will be restricted to the number of gymnasts in training or competition, including Wild card and "hors concours" gymnasts

8- ORGANISATION

8.1- Accreditation for delegations

The Accreditation centre will be in the hall of the delegations' entrance, gate 28.

Open hours:

- Thursday September 24th **9.00 to 21.00**
- Friday September 25th and Saturday 26th **8.00 to 20.30**
- Sunday September 27th **9.00 to 19.30**

The **Head of Delegation** or their representative must be present at the accreditation according to the time scheduled for his/her federation with the following documents:

- Passports of all the members of the delegation
- Contact details*
- Flag confirmation and National anthem
- Medical insurance for each delegation member
- Financial payments evidence
- Confirmation of the apparatus of gymnasts for the qualification and make any necessary replacements
- Give the change of apparatus height if necessary
- Confirm departure plan, time flight/train number and airport/train station

* At accreditation, head of delegation **will have to give his/her e-mail and mobile phone details** to receive all necessary information regarding the competition during the stay of their delegation.

Reminder: modifications of the apparatus on which the gymnast will compete can ONLY be made until accreditation. **ANY FURTHER CHANGES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

After this final confirmation of apparatus, only withdrawals will be accepted (no modification of apparatus). Withdrawal form must be duly completed, signed by the head of delegation and given at information desk. No other process of information of withdrawals will be taken into consideration.

8.2- Information desk

Information desk is located Gate 28.

All necessary information related to the event will be delivered on the Sportity application



A WhatsApp group will be created for urgent questions to be asked only.

Training and competition schedule will also be displayed at gate 28 and in the training hall.

8.3- Orientation meeting

Orientation meeting will take place on **Friday September 25th at 19.00**: Accor Arena - Room Chabala.

Participating federation attendance is compulsory.

A maximum of **1 person** per delegation is invited to participate: the Head of Delegation or their representative.

'New Elements' documents must be presented to WGYM delegates at the latest at the orientation meeting.

All necessary questions must be addressed either at Orientation Meeting or through the information desk gate 28.

8.4- Sustainable development

The French Federation acts for sustainable development. In this approach, the LOC will:

- Limit the use of plastic bottles to the minimum. To accompany it, the LOC requests every member of the delegations to come with their personal sports bottle. To reach this goal, the LOC will provide some water areas to fill each accredited person's sports bottle.
- Ask all members of the delegations to provide their own ribbon for their accreditation.

8.5- Closing parade

The closing parade will take place on Sunday September 27th, just after the second award ceremony (presumably at 19.05).

All gymnasts and delegations' members are invited to participate, including the judges.

Additional information will be given at the judges' meetings, the orientation meeting and via the Sportity App.

9- TRAININGS AND COMPETITIONS

9.1- Trainings

Trainings take place at the Accor Arena in "le Phantom" hall. Access through Gate 28. Training hall is directly connected to competition hall.

- Thursday 24th, arrival day of the delegations - free training is possible from **16.00 to 20.00**.
- Friday 25th trainings as per schedule at "le Phantom" **from 09.00 to 12.00 and from 15.00 to 18.00**. Delegations must follow the given schedule and training groups.

MAG and WAG judges can watch the trainings of "le Phantom" hall only from the public limited area. As space is limited, they must make sure not to disturb the gymnasts.

9.2- Official podium training

Official podium training in competition hall will take place Friday 25th **as per schedule from 9.30 to 12.30 and from 14.30 to 17.30**. **The training plan will be given to the head of delegation upon arrival at the accreditation**. Delegations must follow the given schedule and training groups.

MAG and WAG judges can attend the podium training at their convenience. It's not compulsory.

9.3- Warm up for the competition

- Saturday 26th, a free warm up, in "le Phantom" **only**, is open for all the gymnasts during the qualification from **09.00 to 13.40 and from 14.00 to 18.40**.
According to the WGYM rules there is a **touch warm up** during the qualifications (warm up only in "le Phantom").
- Sunday 27th, a free warm up, in "le Phantom" **only**, is open for all the gymnasts from **10.00 to 18.30**. Additionally, a one hour free warm up **on the podium** (FOP) is open to all the finalists from **11.45 to 12.45**.
According to the WGYM rules there is a **touch warm up** on the podium for the Finals.

9.4- Competition

Accor Arena capacity is 13 000 spectators.

All apparatuses are placed on a podium.

Reserved seats will be allocated to participating federations in the competition hall (above "exit B" of the FOP). It is compulsory for all delegation members to use those seats.

To prevent delays (competition finals will be live on TV) gymnasts must be ready to perform when their name is announced, at the signal of the judge.

9.5- FOP access

Access is limited to accredited persons with an official function at the time of competition:

- Members of the jury
- Gymnasts competing and their coach (maximum one coach per gymnast)
- Medical staff (maximum one doctor or physio per gymnast)

Only necessary items are allowed on the Field of Play.

The use of mobile phone or any other communication device is strictly prohibited during the whole competition on the field of play.

9.6- Bib Numbers

Bib Numbers will be given to Head of Delegation at the latest at the orientation meeting.

Bib Numbers must be attached to the competition attire and visible during the whole competition.

10- JURY

FIG delegates are **Andrew TOMBS**, MAG WGYM TC president and **Nehad ZAYED**, WAG WGYM TC member. They are president of the superior jury during the competition for their respective discipline. They are assisted by Julio MARCOS, MAG WGYM TC member and Johanna GRATT, WAG WGYM TC member.

Each panel will consist of:

- Qualifications: - 2 D judges (cat.2 minimum) - 4 E judges (cat.3 minimum)
- Finals: - 2 D judges (cat.2 minimum) - 5 E judges (cat.3 minimum).

All judges must have a valid FIG brevet for the 2025-2028 cycle.

No more than one judge per federation per panel (excepted line, vault numbers and time judges).

There will be a draw during Judges meetings. Attendance is compulsory for all the judges of NF.

10.1- Judges meeting - Draws - Swiss Timing instruction

Judges' meetings schedule:

WAG Qualifications:

Friday 25th at **16.30** (Accor Arena - 3B09 - level 3)

Swiss Timing instruction will take place immediately after the meeting at **18.00** in the competition hall.

Attendance is compulsory.

MAG qualifications:

Friday 25th at **17.00** (Accor Arena - 3B07 - level 3)

Swiss Timing instruction will take place immediately after the meeting at **18.30** in the competition hall.

Attendance is compulsory.

WAG finals:

Sunday 27th at **12.00** (Accor Arena - 3B09 - level 3)

MAG finals:

Sunday 27th at **12.00** (Accor Arena - 3B07 - level 3)

Judges' rooms are available for all duration of this competition.

10.2- Inquiry

Inquiries will be managed according to WGYM Technical Regulations, Art. 8.5.

Requests to revise Time or Line Deductions or Bonuses will be managed according to WGYM Technical Regulations, Art. 8.6.

10.3- Video control

Swiss Timing will provide the video control system for this competition, for MAG qualifications and MAG and WAG finals.

FFGym will provide the video control system for this competition for WAG qualifications.

11- AWARDS CEREMONIES

Award ceremonies will take place only with the best 3 gymnasts for each apparatus:

- **Sunday 27th from +/-15.45 to 16.10:** For MAG Floor, Pommel Horse and Rings / WAG Vault and Uneven Bars.
- **Sunday 27th from +/-18.40 to 19.05:** For MAG Vault, P. Bars and H. Bar / WAG Balance Beam and Floor.

During the award ceremony the gymnasts must wear the official tracksuit of their NF.

At the end of each ceremony, the World Challenge Cup Series awards will be distributed to the winner of the Series. If the winner is absent, the LOC will proceed with WGYM and the respective federations according to the transmission of the award.

12- MEDIAS

The mixed zone will be located at the exit of the FOP, between the competition hall and the training hall. This will be the meeting point between gymnasts and medias.

Upon request, special appointment might be arranged between media and gymnasts, after agreement with the federation concerned.

Alice DUJARDIN (+33 6 48 55 64 99), Communication Director will oversee these special requests.

As a major promotion axe, please welcome the media as much as possible.

The media are allowed to attend trainings in the training and competition halls. They will not interfere with gymnasts at that time.

13- MEDICAL / DOPING CONTROL / SAFEGUARDING

In case of injury, the official hospital would be:

Hôtel Dieu
Place du Parvis de Notre-Dame
75004 Paris
Phone: +33 1 42 34 82 34

The official doctor is **Dr Pierre Billard** (+33 6 24 37 66 95)

Anti-doping controls will occur during this competition according FIG rules (minimum 3 controls per gender).

The doping control area at the Accor Arena is located as follows:

- Waiting zone: Room 3B19- level 3
- For WAG: Room 3B18 - level 3
- For MAG: Room 3B17- level 3

The safeguarding officer is **Tom Mollaret** (+33 6 58 30 55 31).

14- PRIZE MONEY

French federation will give prize money (2800 CHF per apparatus) according to the chart below.

French federation will oversee the payment. French federation will transfer money (*based on euro exchange rate at the time of the payment*) directly to the Federations, in the following days.

If after application of the tie-breaking rules as set up in the Technical Regulations, Section 2, there is still a tie, the prize money of the tied ranks will be added and divided by the number of ties. Prize money indicated are free of French taxes.

No payment in cash will be possible.

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Ranking	CHF
1	800
2	600
3	400
4	300
5	250
6	200
7	150
8	100

15- WORLD CHALLENGE CUP SERIES

Assignment of World Challenge Cup points will be conducted as per the chart below for each apparatus, men and women:

World Challenge Cup Points	Ranks Apparatus Final	Ranks Qualifications
30	1	1-8
25	2	1-8
20	3	1-8
18	4	1-8
16	5	1-8
14	6	1-8
12	7	1-8
10	8	1-8
8	-	9
7	-	10
6	-	11
5	-	12
4	-	13
3	-	14
2	-	15
1	-	16 and after

In case a gymnast received a DNS/DNF during the Apparatus Finals, points will be awarded based on the Qualifications ranks.

If after application of the tie breaking rules outlined in the Technical Regulations, Section 2, there is still a tie, the points of the equal ranks will be added and divided by the number of ties.

At the end of each awards ceremony (15.45 for MAG FX / PH / SR and WAG VT / UB; 18.45 for MAG VT / PB / HB and WAG BB / FX), **the World Challenge Cup Series awards will be distributed to the winner of the Series.** If the winner is absent, the LOC will proceed with WGYM and the respective federations according to the transmission of the award.