

FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



# FIG Licence Rules



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

From a decision of the Council in 2008, every gymnast/athlete must possess a valid FIG Licence to be eligible to participate in FIG sanctioned international competitions.

The Licence Rules are applicable to the following disciplines:

- Artistic Gymnastics
- Rhythmic Gymnastics
- Trampoline Gymnastics
- Acrobatic Gymnastics
- Aerobic Gymnastics
- Parkour

The present Rules decided by the Executive Committee define the framework, the conditions and the requirements that must be fulfilled by gymnasts/athletes to obtain a FIG licence.

Gymnastics for All events are exempted from this rule.

## 2. COMPULSORY LICENCE

All gymnasts/athletes (Age Group, Juniors and Seniors) must be in possession of a valid FIG Licence to be eligible to participate in an international competition.

The following competitions are defined as international competitions under these Licence Rules:

- Senior and Junior World Championships
- World Age Group Competitions
- Continental Championships and Games
- Any and all Multisport Games (Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, The World Games, Mediterranean Games, Commonwealth Games, , FISU World University Games, Pacific Rim Championships, Junior Continental Games/Festivals, etc.)
- World Cup events / World Challenge Cup events
- FIG sanctioned International Events

## 3. CONDITIONS TO OBTAIN AN FIG LICENCE

The FIG licence shall only be issued to those gymnasts/athletes who:

- fulfil the conditions mentioned in Article 5.1 of the FIG Technical Regulations;
- have personally signed the *FIG Licence - application form or application form "R"*. By signing, gymnasts/athletes:
  1. confirm to have read and understood the FIG Statutes, the FIG and IOC Code of Ethics, the FIG Code of Discipline, the FIG Code of Conduct, the FIG Technical Regulations, the FIG Licence Rules, the FIG Anti-Doping Rules, the World Anti-Doping Code including the International Standards, as well as the Code of Points, the FIG Accreditation Rules all other FIG Rules and Regulations and their amendments and agree to comply with and to be bound by them;
  2. consent that the data entered into the "FIG Database" (biographies, etc.) and collected at various occasions such as competitions (e.g. results, rankings, etc.), are published via the official FIG means. The data collection rules are detailed in the *FIG Licence – application form*;

3. agree to be filmed, televised, photographed, identified and otherwise recorded during FIG sanctioned events under the conditions and for the purposes now or hereafter authorized by the FIG in relation with the promotion and education of Gymnastics. Agree that all photos and moving images taken by me at FIG sanctioned events shall be used solely for personal and non-commercial purposes unless prior written consent is obtained from the FIG;
4. give their consent and agree to the creation of their profile in WADA Doping Control Clearing House (ADAMS), and/or any other similar system from an authorized National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) in agreement with the FIG for the sharing of information, to be entered in such data systems related to doping controls, whereabouts and therapeutic use exemptions;
5. [confirm that they have themselves completed the education program](#) “International-Level Athletes Education Program” and obtained the certificate after having completed both the course and the Guide. This course is available on the Anti-Doping Education and Learning (ADEL) platform from WADA (<https://adel.wada-ama.org>);
  - belong to an FIG affiliated Federation in good standing;
  - have obtained the signature of the President or the Secretary General of their National Federation on the application form.

#### 4. APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND FEE

Only FIG affiliated federations in good standing may apply for licences for their gymnasts/athletes.

Applications forms **must** be submitted **at least one (1) month prior to the deadline for nominative registration of the related event**.

An application form is required for each gymnast/athlete. It shall be available via the “FIG Database” (all gymnast/athlete profiles are computerized within the “FIG Database”). Applications may be filled in at any time online and sent to the FIG office by email.

Application forms shall be returned duly completed, signed and stamped by the President or Secretary General of the respective affiliated federation.

Application forms shall be signed by the gymnast/athlete. All consent forms from minor applicants shall be countersigned by their legal representative or in accordance with the legislation of the applicant’s country.

The fee shall amount to **CHF 30.00** per licence.

Upon validation of the licence by the FIG, an invoice shall be sent to the affiliated federation. **Terms of payment: within 30 days (from the date of the invoice)**.

The FIG shall bear 50% of the total licence costs. This amount is already deducted from the fee mentioned above.

#### 5. INFORMATION REQUESTED FOR THE APPLICATION

The requested information of the FIG licence application form must be duly completed, online, by the respective federation as follows:

- Name of FIG affiliated federation
- Gymnast/athlete’s surname
- Gymnast/athlete’s given name
- Gymnast/athlete’s Discipline (MAG, WAG, RG, TRA, AER, ACRO or PK)
- Passport number, country and validity

- Gender
- Date of birth
- Photo taken within the last 6 months (Colour passport photo on clear and plain background (.jpg format, max 800x600 pixels and max 1Mb)
- Copy of the valid passport (.jpg format, max 800x800 pixels and max 1Mb)
- WADA-ADEL International-Level Athletes Education Program certificate (.pdf format max 512 kb)
- Signature of the gymnast/athlete (and of the legal representative if the gymnast/athlete is a minor)
- Signature of the president or secretary general of the affiliated federation
- Stamp of the affiliated federation

The respective member federation is fully liable for any and all information and documents provided with the application form.

## **6. VALIDITY OF THE LICENCE**

The licence shall be valid for two (2) years from its date of validation.

## **7. LICENCE CHECK**

Unless specified otherwise, the licence check proceeds as follows:

- for events with registration via the FIG online platform, from the post nominative registration until the accreditation, under the supervision of FIG;
- for other events, the Local Organising Committees (LOC) must control the licences of all gymnasts/athletes from the nominative registration until the accreditation.

Only a gymnast/athlete holding a FIG licence valid at the time of the nominative registration and at least until the end of the competition may participate in FIG sanctioned international competitions.

## **8. INSURANCE**

At its meeting held on February 22, 2012, the FIG Executive Committee agreed to offer to all licence holders an additional insurance as of January 1, 2013. The premium shall be paid by the FIG without any impact on the licence fee.

The insurance terms and conditions are mentioned in the brochure available on the FIG website. Please refer to <https://www.gymnastics.sport/site/pages/medical-insurance.php> for additional information regarding the FIG IMSSA insurance for gymnasts/athletes. The FIG reserves the right to cancel this extra insurance at any time upon a six (6)-month notice.

The Host Federation, the LOC and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness (including COVID-19), repatriation and the like. The FIG TR foresee that all participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness (including COVID-19), accidents and for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation. Basic insurance (sickness - including COVID-19 - accident and repatriation) in your country of residence is compulsory in order to be able to benefit from coverage by FIG IMSSA subsidiary insurance.

## 9. LIST OF LICENCE HOLDERS « FIG LICENCE VIEWER »

The list of all licence holders with a currently valid licence shall be published on the FIG website, via the “FIG licence viewer”.

This list is automatically updated and shall include all valid licences at that time. Licences which have expired are systematically deleted from the list.

The published information shall include the following data:

- Licence Number
- Discipline
- Gymnast/athlete’s full name (surname and given names)
- Federation / nationality
- Year of birth
- Gender
- Licence expiry date

## 10. RENEWAL OF THE LICENCE

The licence shall be valid for two (2) years from its validation date. Applications for renewal shall be accepted six (6) months prior to its expiration date. If the renewal occurs during this period, the validity of the licence shall be extended for two years from its expiration date. If the renewal concerns an expired licence, the validity of the licence shall be for two years from the validation date of the renewal.

An application for renewal **must** be submitted **at least one (1) month prior to the deadline for nominative registration of the related event**.

To renew a licence, a “Licence renewal application form” must be completed. This form shall be available on the gymnast/athlete’s profile (on the FIG Database), once his/her data has been updated by his/her national federation or attached hereto.

The fee shall amount to **CHF 30.00** per licence renewal.

## 11. VIOLATIONS OF FIG LICENCE RULES

As mentioned under Art. 2. of the present Rules, the Licence is compulsory and must be in force at all FIG international competitions. The control of the international competitions shall be the responsibility of the Continental Unions, Groups and the Affiliated Member Federations.

The Continental Unions, Groups and the organising Member Federations shall be liable for enforcing FIG Licence Rules at the competitions held under their auspice.

Should the Licence Rules be infringed, i.e. a gymnast/athlete competes with an invalid or without a valid licence, the gymnast/athlete shall be disqualified and the medals and prize money shall be returned.

For every single violation, the organising Member Federation shall be sanctioned with a fine of CHF 2’000.-. In case of a repeated violation of the same Federation, the case shall be submitted to the Gymnastics Ethics Foundation Disciplinary Commission.

The FIG shall reserve the right to withdraw the Licence in case of a disciplinary sanction taken against the licence holder.

These Licence Rules have been updated by the Executive Committee at its meeting in 1-2 March 2023, in Lausanne (SUI). They replace any and all previous versions and shall enter into force immediately.

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