



# **IRV Certified Competition**

Criteria for Recognition

**An IRV Certified Competition is a competition held in an IRV Member Country that fulfils the criteria described in this document.**

**Local organisers who want their competition to be recognised as an IRV Certified Competition must guarantee the following conditions:**

- 1) The competition must be open to gymnasts from all IRV member countries. This means that at least 25% of the maximum number of possible participants at the competition in question must be reserved for gymnasts from countries other than the host country.
- 2) The competition must offer junior and/or senior categories as described in the current version of the IRV Competition Rules, and these categories must be judged according to the currently valid IRV Code of Points.
- 3) If there is an All Around competition, all disciplines must be carried out on the same day.
- 4) Wheels (standardised and in good condition) and other necessary apparatus must be provided by the local organiser.
- 5) Vault stations used for the IRV competitions categories must be in accordance with the criteria defined in the current version of the IRV Framework Conditions.
- 6) The competition areas used for the IRV competition categories must be marked in accordance with the current version of the IRV Competition Rules.
- 7) As long as there are gymnasts from other IRV member countries competing in the IRV competition categories, the judging panels for these categories must include judges from countries other than the host country.
- 8) The local organiser must have at least two qualified first aid staff (including relevant equipment) on duty during warm-up and competition. The local organiser must make sure that ice bags and similar first aid equipment for immediate use in the sports hall are available at all times.
- 9) Prior to the competition the local organiser must send the following documents to the IRV:
  - Invitation in English (3 months before the competition date)
  - Start List (3 - 5 days before the competition date)
- 10) After the competition the local organiser must send the following information to the IRV:
  - Result List\*
  - List of assigned judges\*
  - Short report/account of the competition (including some high-quality photos\*) for publication on the IRV homepage and IRV social media channels.

- 11) In case of any unforeseen deviations from the above-mentioned points, the IRV must be informed as quickly as possible. Serious deviations can result in a withdrawal of the IRV Certified Competition status.
- 12) The IRV Certified Competition logo must be used for/on all official competition documents.

Compliance with the above mentioned points will be checked on site by an IRV representative. IRV Certified Competition status is awarded for a term of 3 years, after which it is possible to apply for renewal.

**Benefits of having a competition classified as an IRV Certified Competition:**

- 1) IRV Certified Competitions are financially supported by the IRV with a sum of 500 € (to be transferred after the successful completion of the competition and the fulfilment of the listed criteria).
- 2) A delegated representative for the IRV will be present at the competition.
- 3) Certification increases the attractiveness of the competition:
  - attractive for international participants as it guarantees high standard and high quality of competition
  - attractive for international judges as it will be listed as an opportunity to earn necessary credits to extend judging licence
  - attractive for international participants and judges to gain experience outside their own country
  - more attractive for possible sponsors as it will have greater outreach via IRV channels of communication
  - differentiation from non-certified competitions
- 4) Local organisers can make use of IRV channels to promote the competition and to spread information.
- 5) In the longer term, the IRV plans to include IRV Certified Competitions in a series of competitions that will incorporate the results of gymnasts who compete in more than one competition. The details of such a series have not yet been defined.

\* organiser must ask for photo consent