FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



# **Rules for the FIG World Cup Series 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020**



# in Rhythmic Gymnastics

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## ART. 1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

During the Olympic cycle 2017 – 2020, there will be one Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Series every year, with four events each, taking place between February and April. The results of the 3 best results out of 4 are taken into consideration. The World Cup Series 2020 will be qualifying for the 2020 Olympic Games (for Individual gymnasts only).

The Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup competitions are best events, staged in attractive and well known cities and venues, with guaranteed TV coverage and a limited participation. Their aim is to showcase the Worlds very best federations and gymnasts in a media and public friendly surrounding. The events will take place in the same city and if possible at the same date every year.

At each event, the gymnasts / groups will have the opportunity to win prize money and World Cup points which will result in a Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Series Ranking List (Individuals All-Around, Individuals per apparatus, Groups All-Around, Groups per routine) for every year. The 2020 Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Series Ranking List for Individual All-Around will be qualifying for the 2020 Olympic Games (top three ranked individual gymnasts). The top three ranked Individual gymnasts will obtain a quota place (by NOC).

#### ART. 2 RIGHTS AND ADVANTAGES OF RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS WORLD CUP COMPETITIONS

- Each event will use the official title of "FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup"
- Each event will contribute points to the Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Series Ranking List.
- Each event will be considered as an official FIG event.
- Each event will be listed in the official FIG calendar of events.
- The event dates will be protected by FIG.
- Each event will be announced in the FIG World of Gymnastics magazine.
- Each event will be published on the FIG official website (<u>www.fig-gymnastics.com</u>).
- The Directives and invitations of each event will be published by FIG directly to all eligible member federations and updated regularly in FIG's communication platforms.
- The FIG Office will send information to all FIG Member Federations by e-mail and/or through the official FIG website.
- The Local Organizing Committee of each event will be entitled to use the FIG logo on official communications, posters and programme. This does not apply for any selling item (i.e. Tshirts, souvenirs, etc.).
- The Local Organizing Committee of each event will be entitled to require assistance from the official RG Technical Delegate and the FIG EC Member (if appointed).
- Each event will be included in the official FIG result service system (publication of the results on the FIG website).

# ART. 3 CANDIDATURES, APPLICATIONS AND ASSIGNEMENT

#### Art. 3.1 Bids and criteria for approval

Bids for the Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Competitions for the four series of the Olympic cycle 2017 – 2020 must be received at the FIG Office by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

The four Organizing member federations will be assigned by the FIG Executive Committee in August 2016.

Should the Executive Committee not be in a position to approve at least three bids, the FIG World Cup Series 2017 – 2020 in Rhythmic Gymnastics will not take place.

Candidatures can only be submitted by FIG affiliated Member Federations. To be approved, the following minimum requirements must be met:

- All 4 World Cup competitions must offer competitions for Individual Gymnasts and Groups, and take place between February and April each year of the 2017 – 2020 Olympic cycle, if possible at the same date.
- World Cup Competitions must be separate and distinct competition, and may not be combined with any other competitions.
- A venue with capacity of minimum 3'000 seats
- One specific warm-up area in the competition hall or adjacent.
- Training hall(s) adjacent to the competition venue or nearby.
- Total of 8 RG competition floors (competition hall 1, warm-up area 1, training hall(s) 6)
- FIG Member Federations interested in organizing a World Cup Competition must apply in writing to the FIG Office and complete the appropriate invitation letter and forms provided to them by the FIG as soon as possible, but by no later than 30 June 2016 for the first event in 2017. They have to commit to host the event also in 2018, 2019 and 2020 and propose the dates.
- Information on the date, the location, the prize money, and the apparatus supplier\* for the competition must be completed.

\* in addition, a detailed list of certified equipment (as well as the name of the products, reference number or article number, as defined on the FIG website) to be used must be completed and submitted to the FIG Office no later than 6 months before the competition.

- Applications must include the name and contact address of the Event Manager and the Media Officer.
- Applications must include the name and address of the Host Broadcaster and the name of the person in charge of the production.
- Applications must include the name and contact address of the official Hospital.
- The Organizing Member Federation for FIG World Cup events must offer minimum three different hotel categories, including the Official Hotel and one being a "low cost hotel". The prices charged for the hotel rooms cannot exceed the usual hotel rates.
- The Organizing Member Federation must pay a non-refundable application fee to the FIG of CHF 3'000.-. This fee must accompany the invitation letter and forms. The application fee will be returned in full, should the application rejected by the FIG Executive Committee.

- The Organizing Member Federation must pay a deposit of CHF 5'000. This deposit must accompany the invitation letter and forms. The deposit will be returned in full, should the FIG decide not to assign the World Cup Competitions to the respective Member Federation. The deposit will also be returned in full after the World Cup Competitions, provided all conditions of these Rules are fulfilled. Infractions and/or non-fulfilment of conditions set out in these Rules will result in the deposit being lost partly or in full. The deposit will be lost in full (i.e. stay with FIG) if the dates, the city, or the venue of the event are changed by the Organizing Member Federation or if the event cannot be organised.
- Late applications, applications which are not complete, or are not accompanied by the application fee and the deposit will not be taken into consideration.

### Art. 3.2 Assignment of World Cup Competitions by the FIG Executive Committee

Preference will be given to leading tournaments as follows:

- previous World Cup Competition Organizers
- the highest media impact (quality of the Host Broadcaster and World wide sales)
- the highest prize money and other advantages provided to the gymnasts and participating member federations
- experienced and reliable Organizing Member Federations and Local Organizing Committees
- traditional and worldwide established tournaments
- attractive and large venues, located in famous leading cities of the world
- venue capacity (number of seats).

# ART. 4 RULES AND REGULATIONS

The competition must be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in these Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Rules:

- Statutes
- Code of Ethics
- Technical Regulations
- License Rules
- Code of Points and relevant Help Desk
- General Judges' Rules
- Specific Judges' Rules for Rhythmic Gymnastics
- Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions
- Anti-Doping Rules
- Media Rules
- Apparatus Norms
- Rules for Advertising and Publicity
- Accreditation Rules
- Rules for Awards Ceremonies

and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee.

# ART. 5 COMPETITION FORMAT, PARTICIPATION AND PROGRAMME

The Organizing Federation has to respect the following format and programme:

- All-Around competition for Individual gymnasts and Groups
- Finals for Individual gymnasts by apparatus (8 gymnasts each)
- Finals for Group routines (5 / 3+2) (8 groups each)

The All-Around competition will serve as qualification for the apparatus finals / group routines.

In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied. If there is still a tie, the tied gymnasts / groups will proceed to the final.

#### **Competition programme**

Day 1	Arrival of delegations
Day 2	Training and podium training
Day 3	Qualifications Individual and Group
Day 4	Qualifications Individual and Group
Day 5	Finals Individual and Group
Day 6	Departure of delegations

The Organizing Member Federation must invite all FIG Member Federations in good standing which have paid their annual membership fee for Rhythmic Gymnastics.

#### ART. 6 DIRECTIVES

The Directives and forms must be approved by the FIG and published at last five months prior to the event. They have to be submitted to the FIG as soon as possible but no later than six months prior to the event.

#### ART. 7 REGISTRATIONS AND DELEGATIONS SIZE

On-line registrations will only be accepted from FIG Member Federations. Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid FIG License at the time of registration until the end of the competitions may participate.

Maximum size of delegation: see Accreditation Rules.

#### ART. 8 REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Registrations must be made on-line via the FIG online registration platform as follows:

Provisional registration*	4 months prior to the competition
Definitive registration	2 months prior to the competition
Nominative registration	4 weeks prior to the competition

\*<u>Note</u>: it is not compulsory for the Organising Member Federation to request a Provisional Registration.

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Late registrations are subject to fines as follows:

Fine for missing or late Provisional registration	CHF 500
Fine for missing or late Definitive registration	CHF 750
Fine for missing or late Nominative registration	CHF 500

Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegations will not be authorized to participate.

#### ART. 9 FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS FOR THE PARTICIPATING FEDERATIONS, THE ORGANIZING MEMBER FEDERATION AND FIG

Unless stated otherwise in the invitation letter and forms, the **invited participating federations** must pay for:

- Travel costs for the delegation members
- Accommodation expenses for the delegation members
- Meals expenses for the delegation members
- Entry fees, if requested by the LOC and approved by the FIG.

Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Local Organizing Committee by the given deadline in the Invitation/Directives may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation. Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Organizing Member federations upon arrival will not be accredited.

The **Organizing Member Federation** must pay for:

- Accommodation and meals for the top three (3) gymnasts in the All-Around ranking from the previous World Championships (Olympic Games for the 2017 Series) present at the event
- Accommodation and meals for the top three (3) Groups in the All-Around ranking from the previous World Championships (Olympic Games for the 2017 Series) present at the event.

The Organizing member Federation shall determine the hotel at its discretion, but may not chose the "low cost" category hotel.

#### **Additional Provisions**

#### The Organizing member federation must pay for:

- All costs for the preparation and the running of the event.
- TV production costs
- Scoring and Result Service according to FIG requirements
- Application fee and deposit to the FIG.
- Local travel expenses as well as the accommodation costs incl. breakfast for the RG Technical Delegate.
- International and local travel, accommodation and meals costs for any invited neutral judge approved by FIG.
- For the Series 2020 only: Local transportation and hotel accommodation in single room incl. breakfast for the supervisors and RE Judges

- Local transportation and hotel accommodation in single room incl. breakfast for one FIG staff member, if appointed.
- FIG regular competition fee as decided by the Council (fees for senior events CHF 200, plus 5% of the prize money).
- Prize money (see Art. 10 here below)
- The local transportation and hotel accommodation incl. breakfast for one FIG Executive Committee member if appointed by the FIG President.

The **FIG** will pay for:

- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for the RG Technical Delegate
- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for one FIG Executive Committee member if appointed by the FIG President.
- International travel expenses and the Per Diem costs (including the travel days) for one FIG staff member if appointed.
- For the 2020 Series: International travel expenses and Per Diem costs for the Supervisors and the RE Judges.
- Additional prize money at the end of each of the four World Cup Series (10.2).

### ART. 10 PRIZE MONEY

#### Art. 10.1 Prize money to be paid by the LOC for each event

The Organizing Member Federation must pay the minimum Prize Money of CHF 29'500.- for each FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup events as follows:

Doubing	Individuals All-Around	Individuals apparatus	
Ranking	Total of CHF 6'000	Total of CHF 3'250	
1	2'000	1'000	
2	1'500	750	
3	1'000	500	
4	500	300	
5	400	250	
6	300	200	
7	200	150	
8	100	100	

	Groups All-Around	Groups 5 and 3+2 (each)	
Ranking	Total of CHF 3'500	Total of CHF 3'500	
1	2'000	2'000	
2	1'000	1'000	
3	500	500	

If after application of the tie breaking rules outlined in the TR Section 3 there is still a tie, the prize money of the tied ranks will be added and divided by the number of ties.

The prize money and its distribution per rank must be mentioned in the invitation letter.

# Art. 10.2 Additional prize money to be paid by the FIG at the end of each of the four Series

FIG shall pay an additional prize money to the best ranked gymnast/group of each of the four Series as follows:

Individual All-Around competition:	2 <sup>nd</sup> rank:	CHF 5'000 CHF 3'000 CHF 2'000
Group General Competition:	2 <sup>nd</sup> rank:	CHF 7'000 CHF 5'000 CHF 3'000

No additional prize money is paid for the winners of the Group Finals (per apparatus).

This additional prize money will be paid to the first 3 ranks of the World Cup as per Art. 17 here below.

### ART. 11 JUDGES' PANELS AND FIG TECHNICAL DELEGATE

#### **Technical Delegate**

The Technical Committee will propose possibly at least 3 months prior to the date of the event one RG Technical Committee member or one RG expert (to be approved by the FIG President) to serve as RG Technical Delegate. The Technical Delegate must receive all information from the Local Organizing Committee and must be present at the event. The RG Technical Delegate will serve as President of the Superior Jury.

#### Judges' Panels

Two Judges' Panels composed as follows:

#### 2017, 2018, 2019

- 4 D judges (min. cat. 2), 6 E judges (min. cat. 3)

Not more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted (except for Time and Line Judges (min. cat. 4)).

#### 2020

 4 D judges (min. cat. 2), 2 RE judges (min. cat. 2), 6 E judges (min. cat. 2), plus 6 Supervisors (cat. 1)

Not more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted (except for Time and Line Judges (min. cat. 3)).

The Supervisors and the RE Judges will be nominated by the FIG.

The Judges' Panels are set up by a draw from the judges present at the event. The draw must be directed by the RG Technical Delegate. The participating member federations must send minimum one qualified judge if they participate with individual gymnasts and one qualified judge if they participate with a group. In the years 2017, 2018 and 2019, the participating member federations must send judges of minimum cat. 3. In the year 2020, they must be of cat. 1 or 2. The Organizing Member Federation is entitled to apply a fine of CHF 2'000 per missing judge (to be paid to the LOC) should a federation fail to bring the required number of judges or judges without the requested qualification. This provision must be mentioned in the invitation letter.

The Organizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG brevetted judges present with the appropriate valid category of brevet for their function. Should there not be sufficient judges as per the on-line nominative registration, the Organizing Member Federation must propose to the FIG for prior approval of the Technical Delegate the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 2 reserves). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Such invitation must be made through the respective Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG Office in consultation with the Technical Delegate concerned will invite these judges at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation.

# ART. 12 APPARATUS AND APPARATUS CONTROL

All RG competition floors must have a valid FIG certificate no later than six months prior to the event and until the end of the event. The Organizing member Federation must inform FIG at least six months prior to the event about the name of the Apparatus Manufacturer and in addition must provide a detailed list of certified equipment (as well as the name of the products with reference number or article number, as defined on the certificate and published on the FIG website).

The Organizing member Federation must enter into a service agreement with the official apparatus manufacturer which guarantees the presence of at least one technician for the installation of the RG competition floors in the competition hall, the warm-up hall, and the training hall(s), as well as throughout the duration of training, podium training, warm-up and competition. A copy of the service agreement must be sent to the FIG at least six months prior to the event.

The apparatus control in the competition hall, warm-up hall and training hall(s) prior to training is the responsibility of the FIG Technical Delegate (TD). The TD will be accompanied by a technician of the Apparatus Manufacturer and the local Competition Director.

The Apparatus control includes the check of the dimensions of the RG competition floors which must respect the valid FIG Apparatus Norms. It must be verified that the duly certified RG competition floors are set up correctly and that the RG competition floors in the different halls are identical.

A written report (see Control Form in the Apparatus Norms) about all the problems faced must be established. Adjustments must be made by the apparatus manufacturer concerned in cooperation with the LOC. The TD will approve the use of the RG competition floors by the gymnasts, after verifying that the adjustments have been made.

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During the competitions, the TD is responsible for the RG competition floors control.

# ART. 13 SCORING AND RESULT SERVICE

The Organizing Member Federation must provide a scoring and result service with outputs as provided by Swiss Timing/Longines at FIG World Championships, including a high quality video system which allows the recording, storage and provision of compilation of the recorded images for the Difficulty Judges, the Superior Jury, the President of the Superior Jury.

Throughout the competition, the system must be able to redisplay in real time, normal speed, slow motion or fixed image, the different sequences and the registered scores of every exercise performed for the Supervisors and the Technical Delegate.

The scoring and result system must include a TV graphics generator. The presentation of the TVgraphics on the international signal must be identical to those used at the FIG World Championships, free of advertising, and thus the same for all Organizing Member Federations. The title must include the FIG logo and the text e.g. "2017 FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Lausanne (SUI)". The title has to be submitted to the FIG for approval

# ART. 14 MEDIA REQUIREMENTS

#### Art. 14.1 Media Rights across all means and Marketing Rights

Media Rights across all means and reproduction rights together with publicity and marketing rights concerning the World Cup events are the property of the FIG.

### Art. 14.2 Media Rights across all means – Definition

The right during the Term to Exploit Footage of the Event throughout the Territory in any format and by all means, media and technologies (whether now known or invented) via any service and in any form for any purpose that FIG shall determine (including, without limitation, free and pay services, in the form of or via services which include any enhanced or interactive functionality and whether linear or on-demand and in whole and in part (including without limitation in the form of clips and highlights).

### Art. 14.3 Television right and production

Television coverage is compulsory.

The Organizing Member Federation must guarantee the production of a basic feed (international signal). The International signal must be available for the FIG and its Right holders free of charge at the international Broadcasting Centre or at the Gateway without any limitations and free of any access fees.

FIG releases all National Media Rights across all means to the Organizing Member Federation. The Media rights are released free of charge and granted exclusively for a period of until one week after the competition and then on a non-exclusive basis until one year after the event. Then the rights are back with the FIG.

The release of the Rights shall only be effective under the condition that:

- the Organizing Member Federation submits National Rights contracts to the FIG for written approval prior to signature.
- Each Organizing Member Federation undertakes to provide the FIG Office with the contact details of the Host-Broadcaster at least six months prior to the event.

Each Organizing Member Federation undertakes to provide the FIG Office with a Beta tape copy (Digital Beta PAL Format) of the basic feed (international signal) immediately after the end of the competition on site to the FIG representative or agent. These footages are supplied to the FIG free of charge. Production costs and postage are at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. FIG may use the footage at its discretion.

The International Media Rights across all means remain with the FIG. The Rights will be offered as a package to the broadcasters worldwide (all events together for the series of 2017-2020) by the FIG Office or through an agent.

The total net revenue of the International Media Rights sales will be shared with the Organizing Member Federations. 90% of the revenue for the Organizing Member Federations and 10% for the FIG.

### Art. 14.4 International TV signal- Definition

The International TV Signal shall be produced in accordance with the following:

- the International TV Signal shall be an integrated, complete, uninterrupted and continuous Live television feed produced to a first class professional sports broadcasting standard, using a minimum of six cameras in 16:9 format (but 4:3 protected and explicitly excluding letterbox format) and include coverage not only of the competition but also of any award ceremonies;
- the International TV Signal shall include slow motion replays, full graphics with all graphics text in English, including but not limited to starting numbers, starting lists, names of competitors, results, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, international sound with necessary related background sound effects on at least two audio tracks;
- the International TV Signal shall not include any domestic elements which would not be acceptable for international broadcast such as commercial elements, in-vision presenters, talking heads, interviews, commercial breaks and black holes or any other elements which may hinder ability to exploit the Rights;
- the International TV Signal must include full duration coverage of the Finals with award ceremonies and shall start at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the commencement of the competition. For the Qualifying Series 2020, the international TV signal must also include minimum 2 apparatus of the Individual All-Around Competition.

### Art. 14.5 Marketing Rights

For the 2017-2020 series, the FIG releases all Marketing rights (including the publicity space on the apparatus) free of charge to the Organizing Member Federation. It is understood that the FIG Advertising and Publicity Norms must be respected.

#### Art. 14.6 Results

The Technical Delegate is responsible that the results of the competition, signed by the Technical Delegate, are sent by e-mail to the FIG Office immediately after the end of the respective competitions.

The results and the updated All-Around and Apparatus World Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG website within 24 hours after the end of the respective competitions to the conditions that the Organizing Member Federation respects the following process:

### Art. 14.6.1 Before the competition (7 days)

The FIG Office will send the list of registered gymnasts with their respective license number and a template of the electronic results file (empty) to the federation who organizes the competition.

#### Art. 14.6.2 After the competition

The organizer must return to the FIG at the end of the competition:

A copy of all detailed results (qualifications All-Around and per apparatus as well as finals) in PDF format and duly signed by the FIG Technical Delegate for archival purposes only.

The organizer must also return to the FIG maximum 24 hours after the competition:

An electronic file in XLS or CSV format, using the same structure as the template previously sent by the FIG Office including necessary information for automatic processing of results and awarding points for the World Cup.

If the above deadlines are not respected or if the FIG does not receive any electronic results file in the format specified above, the Organizing Member Federation's deposit will be lost in full.

### ART. 15 MEDICAL INJURY REPORT FORM AND DOPING CONTROLS

The Organizing Member Federation must provide a Gymnast injury summary report and all related injury reports or a written confirmation that no injury occurred. This report must be sent to the FIG Office under medical confidentiality within 3 days after the event. Failure to do so after the first reminder will result in a deposit being lost in full.

The Organizing Member Federation must provide at its own charge a minimum of 8 doping controls, 4 for individual gymnasts et 4 for group gymnasts. Failure to do so will result in the deposit being lost in full.

Doping control forms must be sent to FIG secretariat by Doping control officer within 3 days after the event. Failure to do so after the first reminder will result in a deposit being lost in full.

### ART. 16 ASSIGNMENT OF WORLD CUP POINTS FOR THE RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS WORLD CUP RANKING LIST

Separate RG World Cup Ranking Lists for Individual gymnasts All-Around and for each apparatus as well as for the Groups All-Around and per routine are established for each of the four RG World Cup Series. This list begins with the first World Cup competition of the series and ends with the last World Cup event of the series (4 competitions). The three best results out of four are taken into consideration.

Rank	Individuals	Groups	Rank	Individuals	Groups
1	50	50	10	14	5
2	45	45	11	12	4
3	40	40	12	10	3
4	35	35	13	9	-
5	30	30	14	8	-
6	25	25	15	6	-
7	20	20	16	4	-
8	18	15	17	2	-
9	16	10	18	1	-

The following World Cup Points are assigned by gymnast / group.

If after application of the tie breaking rules outlined in the TR Section 3 there is still a tie, the points of the equal ranks will be added and divided by the number of ties.

# ART. 17 YEARLY WINNER OF THE FIG WORLD CUP SERIES

The yearly winner of the Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Series is the gymnast / group with the highest number of points of each of the World Cup Series Ranking List of the respective year, after the last event of the series, counting the 3 best results out of 4. The gymnasts/groups will receive an additional prize money paid by the FIG as per Art. 10.2.

Should there be a tie, it will be broken as follows: the number of ranks of the three counting competitions achieved by the respective gymnast/group will be added and the gymnast/group with the lowest total will prevail.

Should there still be a tie, the total score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast/group with the highest total will prevail.

Should there still be a tie, the total execution score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast/group with the highest total execution score will prevail.

A special award ceremony must be held at the last Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Competition of the year in which the winning gymnasts and the winning groups shall receive a Cup.

# ART. 18 OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION\*

In the 2020 Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup Series a separate Olympic Qualification Ranking list will be established and give the opportunity to earn three Olympic qualification places.

Gymnasts who obtained a quota place for their NOC (1 or 2) at the 2019 World Championships, will not be considered in the Olympic Qualification Ranking list.

The Olympic Qualification Ranking list will be established after the last competition of the 2020 World Cup Series. The assignment of World cup points for each competition will be the base to establish the Olympic Qualification Ranking list. However, gymnasts who obtained a quota place for their NOC (1 or 2) at the 2019 World Championships, will be deleted from the list of each competition and the number of points earned will be assigned to the next eligible gymnast.

The three best ranked gymnasts (max. 1 per NOC) will obtain a quota place. This place is nominative except for NOCs which have already obtained a NOC quota place at the 2019 World Championships.

Should there be a tie at the third place, it will be broken as follows:

The number of ranks of the three counting competitions achieved by the respective gymnast will be added and the gymnast with the lowest total will prevail.

Should there still be a tie, the total score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast with the highest total will prevail.

Should there still be a tie, the total execution score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast with the highest total execution score will prevail.

#### Reallocation of unused quota places:

In case a qualified NOC decides not to use its quota place for any reason, the gymnast from the next best ranked eligible NOC, as per the respective Individual ranking results of the 2019 World Championships will obtain the quota place.

\*Please note that this paragraph is subject to the approval of the Olympic Qualification System (TR Appendix B) by the Council in May 2016 and subsequent approval by the IOC.

### ART. 19 DRAWING OF LOTS

The gymnasts' drawing of lots for all Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup events will take place at the FIG Office in Lausanne (SUI) within two weeks after the closing date of the nominative registration.

These Rules have been approved by the FIG Executive Committee during its meeting on May 6, 2016 in Bangkok (THA) and updated by the Presidential Commission in September 2016.

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