



**5th FIG ART Gymnastics Challenge Cup
Doha / Qatar 28 - 30 March 2012**



DIRECTIVES

Dear FIG affiliated Member Federation,

Revised, 16.2.12

Following the decision of the FIG Presidential Commission, the Gymnastics Federation of Qatar has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG Challenge Cup.

HOST FEDERATION	<p>Qatar Gymnastics Federation Contact Person : Mohamed Al-Jabir Qatar Olympic Committee tower, 10th floor P.O. Box: 22955 Doha-Qatar Tel: +974 44179167 Fax: +974 44944131 e-mail: info@qatargym.com Web site: www.qatargym.com web site of the event: www.dohagym.com</p>
FIG	<p>Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG) Contact person: Alexandre Cola Avenue de la Gare 12 1003 Lausanne Switzerland Tel: +41 21 321 55 10 / Direct +41 21 321 55 18 Fax: +41 21 321 55 19 e-mail: acola@fig-gymnastics.org website: www.fig-gymnastics.com</p>
LOCATION	Doha, Qatar
DATES	From March 28 to 30, 2012
VENUE	<p>Aspire Academy Dome Tel: +974 44136000 Fax: +974 44136060 e-mail: communications@aspire.qa web site: www.aspire.qa The Training Hall and Warm-up Halls will be located in the same place.</p>
APPARATUS SUPPLIER	Janssen – Fritsen, please refer to the list of Apparatus attached.
RULES AND REGULATIONS	<p>The competition will be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in these directives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutes • Technical Regulations • Code of Points • License Rules • Rules for the FIG Individual Apparatus World Cup and Challenge Cup Series in Artistic Gymnastics • General Judges' Rules • Specific Judges' Rules for Artistic Gymnastics

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions • Doping Control Rules • Media Rules • Apparatus Norms • Advertising and Publicity Rules • Regulations for Awards Ceremonies <p><i>and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee</i></p>																																
FEDERATIONS INVITED	<p>The Organizing Member Federation <u>may</u> invite FIG member federations in good standing at their discretion, but <u>must</u> invite <u>at least</u> all Member Federations who had gymnasts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ranked 1-8 in C-III at the previous* World Championships / Olympic Games • ranked 1-8 from the 2011 World Cup (Category A) Ranking List for Individual Apparatus • ranked 1-8 from the 2011 Challenge Cup Ranking List for Individual Apparatus <p><i>* For the Challenge Cup competitions taking place <u>before</u> the 2012 Olympic Games, the gymnasts' qualification will be based on the 2011 World Championships results and for the Challenge Cup competitions taking place <u>after</u> the 2012 Olympic Games the gymnasts' qualification will be based on the 2012 Olympic Games results.</i></p>																																
PARTICIPATION AND FIG LICENSE	<p>Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid FIG License may participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for checking the validity of the gymnasts' licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration. While the Organizing Member Federation may limit the number of participating federations to only those who have gymnasts ranked in the best 12 from the Challenge Cup Ranking List for Individual Apparatus, the maximum size of the invited delegation is as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Delegation member</th> <th>Men</th> <th>Women</th> <th>Joint</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Head of Delegation</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Team Manager</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coach (max. 1 per gymnast)</td> <td>3</td> <td>3</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gymnasts</td> <td>6</td> <td>4</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Doctor</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Physiotherapist</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Judges</td> <td>2</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>* more than one only if confirmed by FIG and OC</p>	Delegation member	Men	Women	Joint	Head of Delegation	1	1	1	Team Manager	1	1	2	Coach (max. 1 per gymnast)	3	3	6	Gymnasts	6	4	10	Doctor	1	1	1	Physiotherapist	1	1	2	Judges	2	2	4
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REGISTRATION DEADLINES	<p>Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively on-line via the FIG website (http://www.fig-gymnastics.com) or accordingly. These registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations.</p> <p>Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegations members concerned will not be authorized to participate.</p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Definitive registration</td> <td>25 / 01 / 2012</td> <td>(2 months prior to the event)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nominative registration</td> <td>25 / 02 / 2012</td> <td>(4 weeks prior to the event)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Late registrations are subject to fines as follows:</p>	Definitive registration	25 / 01 / 2012	(2 months prior to the event)	Nominative registration	25 / 02 / 2012	(4 weeks prior to the event)																										
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ENTRY FEES	No Entry Fee will be applied for this event.				
ACCREDITATION	To arrange the accreditation procedures for all participating delegation members, electronic ID photographs must be sent via email to the OC within the deadline set for the nominative registration.				
COMPETITION FORMAT	<p>The Challenge Cup Individual Apparatus Competitions consist of Qualifications and Apparatus Finals.</p> <p><u>Qualifications:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country on each apparatus. • The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add (only for the qualifications) "hors concours" competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official competitors of the Organizing Member Federation, 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 Cup points, they must not appear on the official results lists and they will have to start first at every apparatus. • The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name a max. of "4 hors concours" competitors in Women's Artistic Gymnastics and a max. of "4 hors concours" competitors in Men's Artistic Gymnastics for a total of 8 "hors concours" gymnasts (i.e. not per apparatus). (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). • FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault • In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied. <p><u>Finals:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The best eight gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals • Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country and each apparatus. • In addition, the Organizing Member Federation has the right to a limited number of Wild Cards to guarantee the participation of the Host Country gymnasts in the Finals (maximum 1 man and 1 woman gymnast only at one apparatus each). • These "Wild Card Gymnasts" must have participated at the respective apparatus in the qualification. • "Wild Card Gymnasts" will have to start first, they will receive medals and prize money, but they will not receive World Cup points. • FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault • In case of a tie at any place, the tie will not be broken. The tied gymnasts will all have the same rank, but subsequent ranks will be skipped: 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8 Tied gymnasts will receive the same medal and World Cup Points: 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (two gold medals, no silver medal, one bronze medal) The Prize Money will be added and divided by the number of gymnasts: 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (prize money for Rank 1 and 2 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (prize money for Rank 2 and 3 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 2, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 (prize money for Rank 2, 3, and 4 is added and divided by 3) 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8 (prize money for Rank 3, 4, and 5 is added and divided by 3) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7 (prize money for Rank 7 will be divided by 2) 				
DRAWING OF LOTS	The gymnasts' drawing of lots will take place at the FIG Headquarters in Lausanne (SUI) two weeks after the closing date of the Nominative Registration.				

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 26, 2012 - Arrival of the delegations. • March 27, 2012 - Arrival of the delegations / Podium Training Orientation Meeting / Judge's Instruction. • March 28, 2012 - Qualifications MAG and WAG • March 29, 2012 - Apparatus Finals MAG and WAG (3 MAG + 2 WAG) • March 30, 2012 - Apparatus Finals MAG and WAG (3 MAG + 2 WAG) • March 31, 2012 - Departure of the delegations.
EVENT MANAGER	<p>Anis Saoud E-mail: a.saoud@qatargym.com Tel: +974 44179167 Mobile: +974 55296360</p>
MEDIA	<p>Local Press Officer: Abdulrahman Al-Qahtani e-mail: info@qatargym.com</p>
MEDICAL SERVICES	<p>Medical Service will be provided by the Aspitar (Medical Sport Centre)</p>
DOPING CONTROLS	<p>The Organizing Member Federation will provide at its own charge a minimum of 6 doping controls, 3 for Women and 3 for Men.</p>
VISA	<p>Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the Qatar Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Qatar. The Organizing Committee will be happy to provide a free entry visa to each Delegation member, provided that the request for an official invitation letter is made before 25/02/2012 to the OC. The request must include the function, full name, gender, date of birth, citizenship and passport number, passport expiry date, the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member. A clear copy of the passport of each participant is compulsory (i.e. picture page with specific information) must be sent to the OC too.</p>
INSURANCE	<p>The Host Federation, the Organizing Committee and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like. The FIG Technical Regulations foresee that all participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness, accidents and for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation. The OC will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy). Delegation members with insufficient insurance cover must inform the OC in advance.</p> <p>The OC will subsequently offer insurance at the Federations own charge as follows: 30 USD per person/day.</p>
INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION	<p>The invited participating federations must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members.</p> <p>The Travel Schedule Form must be returned to the OC by 10/03/2011</p>
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	<p>The local transportation will be free of charge from/to the airport and the hotel as well as from/to the hotel and the Competition, Training, and Warm-up Hall and from/to the Hotel and the Final Banquet.</p>
ACCOMMODATION	<p>Four Seasons Hotel The Corniche, P.O.Box: 24665 Doha / Qatar Tel: +974 44948888 Fax: +974 44948282 www.fourseasons.com/doha The costs per person/night in this first Hotel are as follows: 580 USD (single room, including breakfast) 305 USD (double room, including breakfast)</p> <p>Movenpick Hotel West Bay Area, P.O.Box: 22752 Doha / Qatar</p>

	<p>Tel: +974 44966600 Fax: +974 44966610 e-mail: tower.doha@moevenpick.com web site: www.moevenpick-tower-doha.com The costs per person/night in this second Hotel are as follows: 200 USD (single room, including breakfast) 150 USD (double room, including breakfast)</p> <p>New Hotel: replacing Retaj Al Rayyan Hotel Holiday Villa Hotel & Residence P.O. Box 47601, Doha-Qatar, C.R. No 36419 Tel: +974 4408 4888 Fax: +974 4408 4013 Website: http://www.holidayvilladoha.com</p> <p>The costs per person/night in this third Hotel are as follows: 150 USD (single room, including breakfast) 90 USD (double room, including breakfast) 70 USD (triple room, including breakfast. <i>Note: double room with extra bed</i>)</p> <p>The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. While the Accommodation Form must be returned to the OC by 20/02/2012 at the very latest, the Hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first serve" basis.</p> <p>The costs for the accommodations must be paid to the OC by 25/02/2012 as follows: At the time of the Nominative entry (i.e. 1 month prior to the event) 100% of the Accommodation costs must be paid to the OC. Entries without the payment of the Accommodation costs will be considered as invalid and will be refused.</p> <p>The cost of the accommodation is only refundable, provided cancellations are made at least two weeks prior to arrival.</p> <p>The OC will pay for the accommodation expenses for the gymnasts ranked 1-3, per apparatus, <u>competing in the event</u> from: - the 2011 World Championships (if the event takes place <u>before</u> the Olympic Games) / 2012 Olympic Games (if the event takes place <u>after</u> the Olympic Games) - the 2011 World Cup (Category A) Ranking List - the 2011 Challenge Cup (Category B) Ranking List</p> <p>The Hotel will be the Retaj Al Rayyan Hotel. Should another hotel be chosen, the price difference will have to be covered by the Federation concerned.</p>
MEALS	<p>The costs of the meals are as the following:</p> <p>Four Seasons Hotel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch: 55 USD • Dinner: 55 USD <p>Movenpick Tower & Suites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch: 35 USD • Dinner: 35 USD <p>Retaj Al Rayyan Hotel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch: 25 USD • Dinner: 25 USD <p>The invited participating federations must pay for the meals expenses of their delegation members (see exception herein below).</p> <p>While the Meals Form must be returned to the OC by 20/02/2012 at the very latest, the costs for the meals must be paid to the OC by 25/02/2012.</p> <p>The cost of the meals is only refundable, provided cancellations are made at</p>

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FINAL BANQUET	<p>The Final Banquet will be free of charge. All the participants are welcome to the Final Banquet.</p>														
FIG TECHNICAL DELEGATES AND EC MEMBER	<p>The FIG Technical Delegate and EC member (if applicable) will be designated by the FIG.</p> <p>The FIG Technical Delegates will serve as Presidents of the Superior Juries.</p>														
JUDGES AND JURIES	<p>The Apparatus Jury (or Juries) will be composed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 D judges, min. 4 E-judges, plus 1 Supervisor <p>The participating member federations must send minimum one qualified judge for MAG if they participate with male gymnasts and one qualified WAG judge if they participate with female gymnasts.</p> <p>Failure to provide judges as mentioned above will result in an OC charge of 1500 USD to the federation concerned (non refundable). This fine must be paid to the OC by 25/02/2012.</p> <p>The number of Apparatus Juries (judges' panels) will be decided by the organizing member federation depending on the number of participating competitors and judges. Not more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted (except for time- and line-judges).</p> <p>The Apparatus Juries are set up by a draw from the judges present at the event. The draw must be directed by the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates.</p> <p>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 approval the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 2 reserves, 1 man and 1 woman). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG Office in consultation with the TC Presidents concerned will invite these judges at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation.</p> <p>For additional judge's requirements see the Specific Judges' Rules.</p>														
VIDEO CONTROL SYSTEM	<p>Video Server and Software for recording and playing videos and Notebook for recording with video camera on each apparatus.</p>														
PRIZE MONEY	<p>The organising member federation must pay the following minimum Prize Money (amounts in Swiss Francs – CHF): CHF5'000.- per apparatus</p> <p>The Prize Money, free of any deductible taxes, will be distributed in US dollars as follows:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">B Category - Prize Money in CHF</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Ranking</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Individual Apparatus</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1500</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1200</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">3</td> <td style="text-align: center;">800</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">4</td> <td style="text-align: center;">500</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">5</td> <td style="text-align: center;">400</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	B Category - Prize Money in CHF		Ranking	Individual Apparatus	1	1500	2	1200	3	800	4	500	5	400
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6	300
7	200
8	100

No prize money, medals and Challenge Cup Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating federation in the Individual Apparatus.

ASSIGNMENT OF CHALLENGE CUP POINTS FOR THE RANKING LIST

In principle, the results and the updated FIG Challenge Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG web site within 24 hours after the end of the competitions provided that all procedures before and after the competitions are duly respected by the Organizing Member Federation.

Separate World Cup Ranking Lists (World Cup and Challenge Cup combined) are established for Individual Apparatus Competitions (i.e. for each apparatus). These lists begin with the first World Cup/Challenge Cup event of the year and end with the last World Cup/Challenge Cup event of the year as follows:

- 6 World Cup Ranking Lists for Men and 4 World Cup Ranking Lists for Women

<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
Floor	Vault
Pommel Horse	Uneven Bars
Rings	Balance Beam
Vault	Floor
Parallel Bars	
Horizontal Bar	

The World Cup Points are assigned to the competitors by name:

Tournaments Category B	
<i>Rank</i>	<i>Individual Apparatus</i>
1	30
2	25
3	20
4	18
5	16
6	14
7	12
8	10
9	8
10	7
11	6
12	5

In case that less than four federations participate in the Individual Apparatus, no Challenger Cup Points, no medals and no prize money will be given.

BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

QATAR GYMNASTICS FEDERATION
 Bank name: Commercial Bank - WEST PAY BRANCH
 Account number A/C: 4050-770119-002
 Swift code: CBQAQAQA
 P.O BOX 3232

The participating federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.

MARKETING

FIG advertising and publicity norms must be respected.

TELEVISION	<p>For Tournaments of B Category / Challenge Cup, the same requirements will apply as for Tournaments of A Category World Cup, provided that a television production is available (even if not compulsory).</p> <p>While the Host Broadcaster will be Alkass Sport Channel, the person in charge will be: Javier Siguero Chinchilla: jsiguero@gmail.com</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation will guarantee the production of a basic feed (international signal) at least for the Final rounds.</p>																			
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Doha 6/1/2012

Place and date:



Signature of the President
of the FIG affiliated NF