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GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS AND INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS



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PART ONE

TITLE 1 - GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Article 1 – Purpose of the regulations

- Having been established in accordance with the provisions of the FILA Constitution,
- Considering the Financial Regulations,
- Considering the Regulations of the International Officiating Body,
- Considering the Disciplinary Regulations,
- Considering the Regulations Governing Distinctions of the FILA,

The purpose of these Regulations is, among other things:

- to establish the general conditions for the material, technical and financial organisation of international contests, as well as the conditions for their development;
- to determine the obligations, formalities, costs and requirements relating to the Olympic Games, World Championships and Cups, Continental Championships, Cups and Games, Regional Championships, Golden Grand Prix and international tournaments;
- to stipulate the duties and responsibilities of the organising Federations or nations;
- to establish the role of the FILA;
- to establish the technical and administrative rules of operation required for the contests;
- to determine the conditions for the formal ceremonies, etc.

Other particular requirements mentioned in the FILA document specific to each competition must also be considered.

Article 2 – Basic regulations

Every Championship or international competition is organised under the obligatory control of the FILA, and must be held in accordance with the international technical Rules of Wrestling.

The terms and conditions of organisation are laid down:

- a. According to the agreements and undertakings entered into between the participating countries, in the case of international meets or tournaments.
- b. According to the special provisions set out below in the case of the Olympic Games, World Championships and Cups, Continental Championships, Cups and Games and Regional Games and Regional Championships, Golden Grand Prix.

Article 3 - Participants

All wrestlers participating in a FILA international competition (championship or tournament) must have a FILA licence card valid for the current year.

Only duly affiliated countries or recognized associated members or associations having an agreement with FILA, are entitled to participate in contests of any nature organised under the supervision of the FILA, provided that they have discharged all their obligations towards the FILA laid down in the Financial Regulations, whilst also meeting the conditions in the FILA Constitution.



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Article 4 - FILA supervision procedure

The FILA supervision is carried out by adopting the various procedures set out below :

- a. Establishment of the international calendar at the annual so-called "calendar" meeting and supervision of its application. This calendar shall indicate, for the following year, the official and friendly competitions resulting on the one hand from the obligations of certain Federations towards the FILA, and on the other hand from arrangements and agreements entered into between National Federations, which must be confirmed in writing to the FILA Secretariat, by 1st December of the previous year, by the organising Federation.

All international competitions must be entered in the calendar. The Federations must sign the official agreement prior to any competition.

- b. Notification, given to the FILA Secretariat by the organisers, three months in advance, of the exact date and place of the contests, and issue in the following week of the records and results of the said contests, for approval.
- c. Appointing of international judges and referees under the conditions set out in the Regulations of the international officiating body.
- d. Appointing of FILA officials entrusted, according to the nature of the events, with the tasks of :
 - checking whether all the measures required for good organisation have been taken
 - performing the specific or precise technical functions
 - providing the organisers with aid and assistance
- e. Implementation, where appropriate, of the provisions of the Disciplinary and Financial Regulations.

Article 5 - Responsibilities

The National Federation of the organising country shall bear all the costs of practical and financial organisation of the contests, and shall remain solely responsible to the FILA, which shall assume no financial obligation in respect of the said contests.

Moreover, the FILA, like any National Federation organising a wrestling competition, whether official or friendly, shall assume absolutely no liability in the event of a purely sporting accident involving any participant, and each leader must be insured for this eventuality, by its own organisation in its own country, with cover for all risks that may be incurred abroad during travel and participation.

It is however pointed out that wrestlers (men and women) of all age group, who have their license cards, valid for the current year, are insured by FILA, according to the conditions mentioned in the certificate sent each year to all National Federations.

In addition, the FILA declines all responsibility in case of injury, in case of riot or any disaster which occurred during the competition. Consequently, the organiser must send, attached to his bidding file, a certificate from the Insurance Company which is covering the event, as well as a copy of the insurance contract covering the civil liability of the organizer.



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After examination of the provisions stipulated in the contract, the FILA reserves the right to require the modification of the guarantees offered by this insurance contract. In the event of a refusal from the organising Federation to satisfy these requirements or if it is impossible, FILA might even withdraw the organisation of this event to the National Federation.

Article 6 – Guarantees required from the organising country

Any official wrestling event held under FILA supervision implies on the part of the organising National Federation:

- a. Compliance with the document “FILA requirements for candidates to organize Championships or Cups” and with the technical and financial Regulations of the FILA relating to each competition;
- b. Within the limits of its competence, the guarantee of obtaining visas which may be required in respect of all Federations duly affiliated to the FILA.
- c. Providing the FILA with a certificate issued by the governmental authority of the country concerned, guaranteeing all Federations affiliated to the FILA identical participation conditions (representation, flag, national anthem, etc.)
- d. Confirmation of their bid by the selected countries for the organization and providing FILA with a check or a letter of credit from the bank of an amount of CHF 25'000.- Without this financial guarantee the file will be rejected. The financial guarantee will be refunded on completion of the event if all conditions were complied with.
- e. The proof of payment of an examination fee of CHF 500.- for the examination of the bid file. Whatever the decision this sum will be kept by FILA.
- f. Respect for the agreements made.
- g. Sending the FILA, one month minimum before the event, copy of the insurance contract for the venue and facilities and copy of civil liability insurance contract.
- h. Ensuring the discipline and security within the sport hall and seeing to the implementation of these obligations.

Article 7 – General measures

In any international competition, it is essential to adhere to the following rules of conduct:

- a. Only officials on duty may stand around the mats, together with the coach and the second of each of the competitors present;
- b. Special places must be reserved in the wrestling hall for the competitors and officials who are not on duty, to ensure that their presence in no way inconveniences or interferes with the contest judges and officials;
- c. A special place must also be reserved in the hall for the members of the FILA Bureau attending the competition.
- d. A special place situated behind the place reserved for the FILA Bureau members must be reserved for FILA guests and VIP.



TITLE 2 - INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS AND TOURNAMENTS

Article 8 - Definition

The following are considered international contests and tournaments placed under the supervision of the FILA, subject to the provisions of the general principles referred to in Articles 2 a), 3, 4, 6 and 7 above:

- friendly meets between national teams
- any individual or team competition in which more than 3 countries are participating
- matches between foreign clubs agreed to by their respective National Federations
- international tournaments arranged on the initiative of one or other of the countries participating
- challenges, cups, etc., for which competitions are arranged between National Federations or foreign clubs, on the initiative of one or other of them
- regional competitions and championships organised between National Federations of the same region, on the initiative of one of them

Article 9 – Forms and organisation

It must be borne in mind, however, that in any international contest or tournament, the bouts must be fought in accordance with the international technical rules of wrestling, the conditions for participation, the entry conditions, the contest forms, the composition of the teams, weight and age categories, styles, classification, awards and other formal ceremonies shall, provided that non peculiarity contrary to the Regulations is foreseen, and subject to the provisions of Articles 10 to 15 below, remain the responsibility of the organisers, who are urged to adhere to the Regulations laid down in Part Two below.

Article 10 – Organisation fees

In accordance with the provisions of the Financial Regulations, the Federations organising all international contests or tournaments must pay the FILA the appropriate fees.

Article 11 - FILA supervision

For all international contests in which more than three countries participate, the contests must be included in the FILA Calendar and placed under the direct supervision of the FILA. For this purpose, the FILA shall be represented at such contests by a judge/referee appointed by it.

In the case of a meet between two countries, the FILA will not delegate any referee unless the Federations concerned specifically request this (apart from Continental Club Champion Cups).

Article 12 – Officiating obligations

In pursuance of the Regulations of the international officiating body, a referee, who must necessarily be appointed by the FILA when finally establishing the international calendar, must officiate at all international contests or tournaments involving three or more countries. The referee thus appointed must necessarily perform the function of mat chairman in the finals and must be the co-ordinator for the referees.



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He must check the licence-cards of the wrestlers and fill in an application form for the wrestlers who do not have a valid licence-card to submit or the written proof of their previous application. He must collect the amount fixed by FILA for the licence-card and check the passport. Each application for the licence-card must be submitted together with copy of the passport and one photo.

In the case of contests which are not included in the calendar - for any reason whatever - the organisers must request the FILA in writing to delegate the referee required in the above articles, at least three months before the said contests (which period is reduced to two months in the case of a meet between two countries).

Article 13 – Financial obligations

Irrespective of the financial conditions peculiar to each international contest or tournament arranged by the organisers, the latter must:

- ensure that the FILA is paid the fees provided for in the Financial Regulations
- bear the travelling and accommodation expenses of the assigned referee, from his home to the competition venue and back and bear the visa and accommodation expenses of the referee assigned
- pay the above-mentioned referee, in a convertible currency, an allowance for representation costs, fixed by the Financial Regulations, for the duration of the contests, including 48 hours before and 24 hours after the competition
- the travel vouchers for the referee concerned must be sent to him one month before the competition by the organiser
- in agreement with the organizing National Federation the travel cost may be reimbursed to the referee on spot, upon documentary evidence.

Article 14 – Administrative obligations

Irrespective of their obligatory entry in the international calendar, Federations organising competitions or international tournaments must:

- a. advise the FILA Secretariat three months in advance of the exact places and dates of the contests, specify their nature and indicate the participants
- b. forward the draft Regulations to FILA 3 months prior to the competition
- c. forward one month before the competition the list of participating countries by e-mail
- d. forward to the FILA Secretariat, immediately after completion of the competition, the results of the said competitions for official recognition.

Article 15 – Duties of the organisers and participants

If the rule of conduct of international meets, tournaments and international challenges has been agreed between several National Federations, a close link must be established between the Federations concerned to ensure the best preparation for, and best execution of, the planned contest.

Consequently the organiser must inform the participants, at least three months before the planned date, of the exact venue for the event, the best means of transport to be used to reach it, the place of accommodation reserved, and must forward to them the detailed timetable and programme (programme and Regulations of the competition).



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For their part, the participating Federations must provide the organiser with all the information requested both on the composition of the teams: surnames, Christian names, qualification and awards won by the wrestlers and officials, and on the anticipated dates of arrival and departure. This information must be supplied at least one month before the agreed date of the event.

However, the obligations undertaken by all the parties should be strictly adhered to in all aspects so that the best possible terms of friendship can be established, and so that the sport of wrestling can be promoted in the desired manner.

The FILA must be notified of any difficulties or disputes which may arise between the organisers and participants by the organizing National Federation, the assigned referee or the team leader and may, if necessary, give rise to the application of the Disciplinary Regulations.



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PART TWO

TITLE 3 - OLYMPIC GAMES - CONTINENTAL GAMES - REGIONAL GAMES WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AND CUPS - CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND CUPS – GOLDEN GRAND PRIX CONDITIONS OF ORGANISATION

Chapter 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 16 - Frequency

With a view to rationalising and stabilising the competition system at world and continental level, the frequency of the major competitions organised under FILA's responsibility is established as follows :

Continental Championships		
Cadet - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling (16-17 years)	-	each year
World Championships		
Cadet - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling (16-17 years)	-	each year
World Championships		
Junior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling (18-20 years)	-	each year
Continental Championships		
Junior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling (18-20 years)	-	each year
World Championships		
senior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling (20 years+)		each year
(each year apart from the year when the Olympic Games are held)		
Continental Championships		
senior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling		each year
World Cups		
Senior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling		each year
World Cups		
Junior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling		each year upon request
Continental Cups,		
Senior - Free Style, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling		each year
Golden Grand Prix		each year
Challenge matches: depending on the interest of the National Federations		each year

NB For the Olympic Games, general matters will be settled according to the Olympic Charter.



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For Continental and Regional Games, matters will be settled according to their specific Regulations.

The cadet World Championship is organized each year according to its specific Regulations.

All technical matters will be settled by the FILA.

In addition, it is specified that Championships are assigned for the simultaneous organization of the three Olympic wrestling styles and possibly one of the other associated wrestling style.

Article 17 - Applications

The National Wrestling Federation interested in organising any competition mentioned in article 16 must submit its application to the FILA four year in advance, and must undertake to apply and comply with the clauses of a contract which the FILA will forward to it ("FILA specifications for the organisation of Championships or Cups"). Each bid for organizing a Championship must be made separately.

Only applications from countries subscribing to, and complying with, the provisions of Articles 3, 5 and 6 above in particular, shall be accepted.

All applications must be made on the official FILA form at least four years in advance, allowing for the frequencies established in Article 16, directly to the FILA Secretariat. All the supporting documents mentioned in the present Regulations must be attached to the official form for the evaluation of the candidacy.

Article 18 - FILA Questionnaire

All Federations notified or having provided proof of candidature shall receive the "standard" document of FILA requirements for the organisation of a Championship or Cup" and a special questionnaire containing brief information on the obligations and duties of the organisation under consideration. This questionnaire must necessarily be returned duly completed to the FILA Secretariat within the periods it specifies.

Article 19 – Submission of candidature file

The National Federation, candidate for the organisation of the Championships mentioned in article 16, will have to submit its candidature file for the competition to the FILA Secretariat according to article 18 above the bid file duly filled in and a check of Swiss Francs 500.- for the examination fee, four years before the date planned for this Championship on the FILA Calendar but at least two years minimum prior to the dates fixed for the Championship.

Article 20 – Acceptance of candidatures

General principle:

Before any competition mentioned in article 16 can be attributed, one or several inspections of the material conditions proposed at the competition venue, of the geographical situation in relation to the nearest airport, of the accommodation, of the transport and of the possibilities of television coverage of the event and of production of the international feed and transmission will be carried out by a commission of experts delegated of the FILA Bureau. It must be pointed out that the inspectors will check the implementation of the specific requirements concerning each competition.

For World Championships, World Cups, Continental Championships, Continental Cups:

- The decision to attribute the competition will be taken after a comparative study of all the candidature files and the inspection reports
- Acceptance of the candidatures submitted falls within the competence of the FILA Executive Committee. The FILA Executive Committee will decide who will host the competitions after having carefully studied the candidate files.



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- The candidate file must be signed by the President of the candidate National Federation, as well as by the national sporting authority of the country concerned, accompanied by a statement from the government guaranteeing that visas will be issued to all the member countries of the FILA.
- The FILA Bureau will inform the Congress of the choice of organisers of future Championships
- On the occasion of the Congress preceding the organisation, the representative of the host Federation will present the event, the accommodation conditions, etc. and will provide the FILA Bureau members and the participating nations with all the necessary documentation, brochures, models, etc.

Exceptional measures:

- If due to a lack of applications or insufficient guarantees, the FILA Executive Committee has been unable to make a decision on the World Championships and Cups and Continental Championships and Cups, the FILA is authorized to take all necessary decisions in this regard, in accordance with the Constitution.

Article 21 – Championship presidency

The FILA President or his deputy shall provide for the presidency of the wrestling contests at the Olympic Games, Continental Games, Regional Games, World and Continental Championships, World Cups and Continental Cups.

Article 22 – Contest management

The FILA Bureau shall manage and administer official contests organised under its effective supervision. For this purpose, the President shall appoint two or more members of the Bureau to ensure that the contests take place and are supervised under the conditions set out in Article 49 below. These officials must be taken to the places on the dates fixed by written invitation from the FILA President.

Chapter 2 - PRIOR DUTIES OF THE ORGANISERS

Article 23 - Deposit

In order to insure a smooth organisation of World Championships, Continental Championships, World Cups and Continental Cup, the organizing Federations must provide to FILA, as a back up for their bid, a letter of guarantee or a letter of credit from the bank of an amount of 50% of the organization fee (refer to the Financial Regulations).

The FILA will send an inspector to the venue two or three times at the expense of the organiser. He will be responsible for controlling the development of the organisation preparations.

Article 24 – Submission of the programme

The Federations whose applications have been accepted must forward to the FILA through the FILA official forms, specific information, which include all information to be provided to FILA on competition venue, hotels etc. the programme and Regulations for the contests entrusted to them, not later than six months after the date of assignment of the organisation of these contests, for verification and possible amendments.



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The programme must mention the city, dates and exact place where the competitions are to be held, as well as the detailed anticipated timetables. It must stipulate that only the international FILA Regulations shall apply, and must clearly mention the nature of the contest and the styles of wrestling concerned.

The organizer will find on the FILA Internet site the models of forms required for the competition and for sending the official entries, which must be submitted at the three times mentioned in Article 26 below. In case of need, FILA can send these models of forms by mail.

Article 25 – Distribution of the programme

- a. After verification of the programme by the FILA, the organising Federation shall forward the said programme, as mentioned in Article 24 above, to all Federations affiliated to the FILA, without any exception, according to the type of Championship they intend to organise (World Championships).
- b. Regarding Continental Championships, the approved programme must be sent to the National Federations of the continent concerned. This programme shall be worded in French and in English - the FILA official languages - and in the language of the country concerned.
- c. The invitations to the FILA President and the FILA Bureau members who have the right to attend the competitions mentioned, according to the Rules in force, as well as the invitations to the members of the Continental Councils, for the Continental Championships, will be sent by the organiser at the beginning of the year.
- d. In the framework of the promotion of wrestling and for each Championship, 50 permanent invitation cards for VIP will be sent to the FILA President. These seats will be reserved in the VIP stand.

TITLE IV – OBLIGATIONS

Article 26 - Commitments

Using the forms received from the organising country, in support of the programme, the participating Federations must:

- a. forward their provisional entries to the FILA with copy to the organizer, two months before the date of the contests, indicating the total number of the team members.
- b. forward their entries by name to the FILA, one month before the competitions. These can contain the names of three wrestlers for each weight category. The previous results and photos of the competitors must be sent with the entries, as well as the names, functions and photos of the officials accompanying their teams. In case of injury the names can be modified before the final entries. These lists of entries must be immediately sent to FILA by e-mail to be included in its site.
- c. forward the list of the final individual entries to the competition secretariat at the latest at noon the day of the weigh-in preceding the competition for the weight category in question. This entry form must indicate the weight category and cannot be modified for the weigh-in.
- d. if a National Federation does not follow the deadline procedure, a CHF 5'000.- fine per team will be perceived to compensate for the fees undertaken by FILA and the organiser and its participation in the competition will be refused.



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In addition the concerned national federation shall pay twice the accommodation fee per athlete of a national team entered. Half of the additional bracket paid will be distributed to the organizer and the other half will go to FILA.

- e. only enter athletes who satisfy the conditions set out in the Constitution, who hold a license valid for the current year, in accordance with the Financial Regulations, and who have undergone, in their country, three days before their departure, the medical examination provided for in the Regulations referring to the issuing of the international competitor's license. All medical information will be included in the wrestler's book. Where no evidence of this examination is submitted, the athlete is obliged, at the discretion of the FILA, to undergo on the spot a medical examination, at his expense or at the expense of his Federation.
- f. be able to present the required number of qualified judges and referees.
- g. be able to present the national anthem and flag of their country.

NB: The FILA will organize and ensure itself the competition secretariat and will take care of the whole entry process (entries for World and Continental Championships, World and Continental Cups).

Article 27 - Participation

All National Federation affiliated to FILA can participate in a Championship as long as they have fulfilled all their financial obligations to the FILA according to the Constitution and Regulations. The same applies to the Organizing Committee for accreditation rights.

Each National Federation can enter a maximum of one wrestler per weight category.

Each competitor must be of the appropriate age for the competition according to the Wrestling Rules and have a FILA licence book validated for the current year and a wrestler's book.

The structure of the official delegation is laid down by the FILA in the table below for each wrestling style.

In order to participate in a (cadet, junior and senior) World Championship, a National Federation must obligatorily participate in the Continental Championship of the same age group, with at least the same number of participants (per style) than the Federation will enter in the World Championship. In other words, a National Federation cannot enter more wrestlers (per style) than the number entered in the Continental Championship of the same age group. However, a National Federation can enter less athletes (per style) in the World Championship than the number entered in the Continental Championship of the same age group.

The participations' quotas for the (senior & junior) World Cups, Continental Cups and Golden Grand Prix are specified in their own Regulations.

For the senior Team World Cup, each team is authorized to include one replacing wrestler per weight category, consequently 8 "replacing wrestlers" (men or women) are authorized for each team (one per weight category). The transport and accommodation costs for replacing wrestlers must be borne by their national federation.

For the junior Team World Cup, each team is authorized to include one replacing wrestler per weight category, consequently 8 "replacing wrestlers" (men or women) are authorized for each team (one per weight category).

The fact that Article 4 of the International Wrestling Rules allows a competitor to opt for the next higher category than that in which he was entered (except for heavyweights) cannot be constructed as allowing two wrestlers of the same nationality to be entered in the same category.



Any country entering more than three contestants must necessarily provide a qualified international judge/referee - if it has one - in accordance with the conditions set out in the Regulations of the International Officiating Body, and Article 28 of these Regulations.

Article 28 – National delegation

The officials accompanying a national delegation shall be appointed on the basis of the number of wrestlers participating in the competitions, according to the following table, **per style and for all the duration of the Championships**:

Wrestlers	1 – 3	4 – 5	6 – 10
Leaders	1	1	1
Coaches	1	2	3
Referees	-*	1*	1*
Doctors	1	1	1
Masseurs	-	-	1
TOTAL	3	5	7

* **minimum number to avoid being penalized, to be selected in the list of referees authorized and qualified to officiate.**

This composition is valid for each style and can be cumulated. The number of referees mentioned above is one as a **minimum**. The participating Federations can present three referees, if they are qualified and of the authorized category, per mat, for Continental Championships and only one per mat for World Championships, to be selected among the qualified referees mentioned in the list issued by FILA (Olympic category).

All the referees who are authorized to work will be accredited with the same conditions as the participants. The organizer will obligatorily require payment of the participation fee from each delegation for a minimum stay of 4 days per person.

All the referees authorized to work will be always regarded at the same conditions as the wrestlers. Only qualified referees are authorized to participate.

Only international referees – category Olympic – who were qualified on the occasion of Continental Championships (for all age groups) are authorized to work at junior and senior World Championships.

The number of officials member of a team delegation is determined according to the table above, by cumulating all the styles.

Any National Federation that does not conform to the above schedule regarding the number of judges/referees is liable to pay the fee laid down in the Financial Regulations, provided that it has judges/referees in the category concerned who have been qualified.

If a country participates in a competition with 1, 2 or 3 wrestlers, it does not have to bring a referee with its team. However, a participating country may bring one referee per mat (that is maximum three referees) providing he is from the required category and qualified, except otherwise stipulated by FILA.

Any person who is a member of the national delegation, over and above the maximum number established in the above table, shall remain under the full responsibility of his/her Federation, either subject to a special tariff established by the organiser, for board and lodging, or under other conditions determined by the Federation.



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Article 29 - Costs

Unless otherwise stipulated by the organiser, the participating Federations are obliged to bear and settle the costs incurred by all the members of their delegation for board and lodging extending beyond the official duration.

Chapter 3 - FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

Article 30 – Organisation fees payable to the FILA

The fees payable to the FILA by the organisers of international competitions are those provided by the Financial Regulations and the Requirements for the Organization of Championships approved by the FILA Congress.

- The National Federation organizing a FILA World Championship every even year and the National Federation of the country organising the Olympic Games must respectively provide the material means for the smooth running of the Congress (conference room, simultaneous translation, closing banquet offered by the organiser to the delegates, etc.) and bear all the associated costs. The FILA Congress takes place every two years.

Article 31 – Taking charge of the participants

- Every organising National Federation is obliged to provide board and lodging for all members of the participating official delegations, wrestlers and officials specified in the table in Article 28 and this 48 hours before commencement of the contests, during the contests and 24 hours after the end of the contests. Whatever the circumstances, in order to guarantee the organiser the costs he may incur, the accommodation fee shall be payable in all cases for a minimum of four days and will be calculated per night.
- The World or Continental Championship are including the three wrestling styles, the participating wrestlers, as well as the officials for each style, must be regarded as belonging to the same team and this for the whole duration of the Championship.
- The number of the officials shall be calculated for each style. Only one doctor per style may be allowed on the preferential tariff irrespective of the numbers of wrestlers participating.
- All the qualified referees (1 per mat maximum) working at the competition are calculated at the same tariff as the wrestlers.
- The organiser must take all necessary measures to provide the participants with proper accommodation and suitable food, according to the hygiene and diet rules (5000 calories / day). For this purpose the menus provided shall be submitted for FILA's approval and checked each day by the delegated FILA doctor.
- the wrestlers (men and women) will be accommodated in an international class hotel, in rooms for 2 persons maximum, with full sanitary, at a maximum price accepted by FILA between CHF 130.- and CHF 180.- per person and per day (considering the number of overnight stay).
- For cadets, accommodation in rooms for 3 to 4 persons maximum, with full sanitary, is acceptable. However, the participation fee must be reduced in agreement with FILA.



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It is permissible for any organiser to bear other costs incurred by the participants, in which case he must inform the FILA of this.

NB: The FILA reserves the right to modify the fee and the system used for board and lodging of the participants, prior to the assignment of the Championship.

In addition, an entry fee of CHF 100.- per participating wrestler (man or woman) for senior, junior, cadet World Championships, senior and junior World Cups and senior Continental Championships must be paid to FILA through the organizer.

Article 32 – Taking charge of the President, FILA Delegates and FILA Officials

32.1. Cadet, Junior, Senior World Championships:

a. The President

All organising countries of a World or Continental Championship must bear the costs of travel by air (first class) and accommodation of the FILA President (5 star hotel – suite or apartment).

b. The FILA Secretary General and the Continental President

Cost of travel by air (Business class) accommodation and restaurant (room in 5 star hotel).

c. The Two Technical Delegates

Cost of travel by air (Business class) accommodation and restaurant (room in 5 star hotel) and CHF 100.- as daily allowance per day of competition plus two days before and one day after.

d. FILA Doctor appointed by the FILA President The two officiating delegates (*)

The costs of travel by air (economy class) restaurant and accommodation (room in a 4 or 5 star hotel compatible with the offices they hold) and CHF 100.- as daily allowance per day of competition plus two days before and one day after.

(*) except if the officiating delegate is a FILA Bureau member, then he is entitled to a Business class ticket.

e. FILA officials

FILA Competence center – Database – Videoteam (6 persons)

Competition technical secretariat (5 persons)

FILA Official photographer (1 person)

Restaurant and accommodation – single room in a 4 or 5 star hotel

f. FILA Bureau members

Restaurant and accommodation – single room (double bed) – restaurant and accommodation in a 5 star hotel



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32.2. Continental Championships senior, junior, cadet:

- a) The President
All organising countries of a Continental Championship must bear the costs of travel by air (first class) and accommodation of the FILA President (5 star hotel – suite or apartment).
- b) The FILA Secretary General
Cost of travel by air (Business class) accommodation and restaurant (single room in 5 star hotel).
- c) The Continental President
Cost of travel by air (Business class) accommodation and restaurant (suite or apartment in 5 star hotel).
- d) The Two Technical Delegates
Cost of travel by air (Business class) accommodation and restaurant (single room in 5 star hotel) and CHF 100.- as daily allowance per day of competition plus two days before and one day after.
- e) FILA Doctor appointed by the FILA President – two officiating delegates (*)
the costs of travel by air (economy class) restaurant and accommodation (single room in a 4 or 5 star hotel compatible with the offices they hold) and CHF 100.- as daily allowance per day of competition plus two days before and one day after.
- (*) except if the officiating delegate is a FILA Bureau member, then he is entitled to a Business class ticket.
- f) FILA officials
FILA Competence Center – Database – Videoteam (6 persons)
competition technical secretariat (5 persons)
FILA Official photographer (1 person)
restaurant and accommodation – single room in a 4 or 5 star hotel
- g) Cost of accommodation for FILA Bureau members living on the continent concerned (5 star hotel) and for members of the Continental Council concerned – maximum 6 persons - (5 star hotel – accommodation single room and restaurant).

If a referee's course is held during the Championship, and if the instructor is a FILA Bureau member, he is entitled to Business class air ticket, accommodation in single room (double bed) in 5 star hotel. The cost is born by the organizer.



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Article 33 – Taking charge of the FILA Bureau members

Taking into consideration the fact that the FILA Bureau members are entrusted with a permanent task, the organising National Federation of a World Championship must bear the costs for the accommodation of the attending Bureau members in a 5 star hotel (double bed).

For Continental Championships, the organiser shall only bear the costs of accommodation of the Bureau members residing on the continent concerned and those of the members of the Continental Council concerned.

The travel expenses of individuals who are not officially assigned are not borne by the organizer.

At cadet, junior World Championship and junior, cadet Continental Championships and World Cups, the organiser shall bear the costs of accommodation of the Bureau members appointed to fulfil a particular task, in addition to the travel and accommodation expenses of the FILA President or his representative, one technical delegate and one officiating delegate.

It is expressly stipulated that if they are not invited, the organiser is under no obligation to bear the costs of accommodation of persons who may be accompanying the Bureau members, under any pretext whatever. However the organiser may invite the persons of his choice.

Article 34 – Prizes, badges, diplomas, video recordings

Prizes, badges, diplomas must be awarded to the winners and participants under the conditions set out in Article 54 below.

The organising country must assume full responsibility for this, and must submit a specimen of all the awards and promotional material (posters and badges, etc.) to the FILA for approval prior to any making.

If he is in charge of the video recording, the organiser must supply the FILA with the official original video recording of all the Championship matches by weight category. For senior and junior World Championships and for senior European Championships, the video recording is obligatorily carried out by the FILA video recording team.

One copy on Beta-SP videos (PAL system) of the recording of the final and semi-final matches produced by the host broadcaster must be handed over to the FILA technical delegate, after completion of the competition.

Article 35 – Official banquet

When the competitions end, the organisers must organise an official banquet at which awards and diplomas shall be distributed to the winners and all the participants (optional).

Article 36 – Other costs

In addition to the expenses incurred in implementing the provisions of this Chapter, the organising country is called upon to meet and support all the material costs incurred in the technical organisation and those inherent in the general development of the competition fixed by FILA.



TITLE 5 - PRACTICAL OBLIGATIONS

Chapter 1 - MATERIAL OBLIGATIONS

Article 37 - Responsibility

The organising Federation shall remain responsible for the material preparations required for organising the entire competition and its running, as well as for breaches of rules and Regulations noted during the running of the competition. The National Federation is responsible to ensure the safety and to keep order in the sport hall.

Article 38 – Arrival of the delegations

All the means of transport required to convey free of charge all the participants from the airport or station to their hotel (and back), free of charge, must be provided.

Two scales of the same type as the official ones, must be made available to the competitors at the hotel on their arrival.

Moreover, brief information indicating, in particular, the place and times of meals, the location of the sauna, the place and time of the weigh-in, the place of the contests, the times and places of training, and the means of reaching these various places, must be displayed, in French and in English, so that they are clearly visible in the lobby of the hotel where the competitors and officials are staying.

Article 39 - Medical examination and weigh-in

The statutory medical examination and weigh-in of the wrestlers shall be carried out, wherever possible, in the competition venue or in premises specially allocated for this purpose where as many scales as there are weight categories must be provided; the premises must be arranged so that the weigh-ins can be carried out in the correct order. The medical examination must be carried out in 4 separate rooms with a physician and a secretary attending in each room. The medical examination takes place 1 hour and quarter before the weigh-in of the weight categories concerned. At the same time, the wrestler's booklet will be verified and immediately returned to the wrestler.

Article 40 - Competition venue

The competition venue must include one or more shower rooms with hot and cold water to enable the competitors to use them immediately after each of their bouts. The ambient temperature of the wrestling hall must be no less than 18°C and no more than 25°C.

A first aid box, one or more stretchers, towels and water in capsuled bottles must be made available to the medical service, close to the mats, the presence of enough doctors at the organiser's expense being obligatory throughout the contests and the medical control. The FILA doctor is present and is responsible for the supervision of all these activities.

A first aid room for the use of wrestlers and the audience with all the equipment necessary for first-aid and a defibrillator must be available near the competition area as described in the Health Regulations.



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A wireless internal telephone installation must be installed to enable the FILA delegates to communicate with the secretariat, the head of the officiating body, the persons responsible for the organization, the FILA President, the Secretary General or mobile phones must be made available for the use of the FILA officials.

An installation suitable for meeting the requirements of the formal ceremony (flags, hymns) must be provided. A rehearsal before the competition must be organized with each team leader. The use of FILA compact disk (CD) of national anthems is recommended.

Article 41 - Transport

The organiser must provide free transport for all the participants, throughout their stay, from the accommodation site to the competition venue.

A private car with driver must be permanently at the disposal of the following individuals:

- FILA President or his deputy
- the FILA Secretary General
- two technical delegates
- persons responsible for officiating

One private car for 3 persons or minibus with driver of the remaining FILA Bureau members will also be provided.

One minibus with driver must be permanently at the disposal of the technical secretariat (5 persons) and another one for the video/database team (6 persons).



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Chapter 2 - TECHNICAL OBLIGATIONS

Article 42 - Mats

For all competitions and the training for these competitions, the mats used must be FILA approved and their installation must comply with the standards laid down in the International Wrestling Rules.

The organisers of the Olympic Games, Continental Games, Regional Games, World and Continental Championships, World and Continental Cups, Golden Grand Prix' finals, of all age categories and of each style, have the obligation to use new FILA approved mats.

It is important to be aware of the number of mats laid down in the FILA standards, depending on the type of competition.

The organiser must inform the FILA of the contracts it has signed with the mat manufacturers (name and type of the mat) and send copy of the invoices to FILA.

The organiser is responsible for guaranteeing the authenticity of the make and of the type of the mats used, if there is a dispute over the quality and the origin of the mats by the manufacturer or the FILA, the dispute will be put to the competent FILA Commission. All the costs resulting from the use of a mat that do not conform will be borne by the organising Federation.

The use of mats at Olympic Games, World Championships and Cups and Continental Championships and Cups requires the manufacturer / provider to comply with the Wrestling Mat Approval Regulations of the FILA, and the resulting financial obligations.

The number of mats for each competition is fixed according to the following rule :

- a) Olympic Games: 2 days for each style on 3 mats
- b) Senior, junior, cadet World Championships: 2 days for each style on 3 mats
- c) Senior, junior and cadet Continental Championships: 2 days for each style on 3 mats

NB. Except for the Olympic Games, the number of mats and days can be modified by the FILA, depending on the number of participants.

At each mat disinfecting mats especially allocated for wiping the shoes of the participating wrestlers must be provided, and two seats intended for the coaches and doctors, must be installed at the bottom of the platform.

Moreover, seats and tables must be provided for the judges, mat chairman, timekeeper, video controller who must be seated facing the mats and not at the edges. The mats must be placed on a platform of 50 to 100 cm high.



Article 43 – Competition accessories

Accessories in case of failure :

- two sets of four red bats marked 1-2-3 and 5 respectively
- two sets of four blue bats marked 1-2-3 and 5 respectively
- two white bats
- two red bats
- two blue bats
- two manual chronometer for time keeping in the event of injury or failure

The accessories are the following :

- two set of numbered discs and a bag or electronic device approved by FILA for the drawing of lots, a lot drawing electronic notice board, on view to the public
- one gong or siren producing different sounds for each mat
- barriers for marking the edge of the contest area
- one video unit per mat (if not provided by FILA)
- one microphone for the entire hall and for the warm-up area (French-English)
- two plasma screens per mat using the Heracles software, on view to the public, officials and competitors, giving an indication of both the progress of the bout times and periods, and the technical points gained by the contestants their names and their nationality, as they are awarded
- one information board, on view to everyone, from all angles, giving, for each mat, the composition of the bouts, with an indication of the categories and nationalities participating
- one pairing and results board for each category, available to the competitors and officials, placed in a position accessible to everyone
- one microphone and loudspeaker for public announcements (French-English)
- one "STOP" device, white, to be used by the mat chairman for stopping the match.
- One screen per mat for the check of challenge (protest) on view to the public, minimum two screens if there are 3 mats

This list can be modified or completed in case of need or if FILA is ensuring all technical operations.

Article 44 - Competition forms

The models of competition forms will be provided by FILA on its Internet site and must comprise:

- participants' preliminary entry cards
- participants' nominal and final entry cards
- competitors' starting list
- weigh-in and medical examination forms
- contest record form
- score sheet
- pairing sheets
- referee designation cards
- results forms

The form for the participants' accreditation cards shall be provided by the organizer.



Article 45 – Competition secretariat

The competition secretariat, which must be installed near the competition area, must be provided with all the office equipment required to establish the pairings, bout lists, score cards, result cards, and all the necessary information (paper for printers, computers, photocopier, Internet connection).

- In particular a phone line must be available to contact the FILA President, FILA Secretary General, FILA Technical Delegates and officiating delegates.

The Heracles software must be used.

In addition, the following communication means must obligatorily be set up in the Competition Secretariat:

- Internet access, a computer and a printer, to be able to send electronic mail and to include information and the Championship results on the FILA Internet site.
- Web TV connection

Please refer to FILA requirements for the technical secretariat.

Article 46 – Various offices

Several offices, equipped in particular with computers and printers must be arranged to offer the possibility to competition officials to hold meetings. One of these offices must be especially reserved for the FILA President and must be equipped with a telephone with international access, a computer and a fax. Other offices will be available for the technical delegates and the Secretary General.

Two safe rooms with a safety locks must be provided for the equipment of the video recording team and technical secretariat team.

Moreover, special premises must be provided for the daily meeting of the officiating body (100 seats, screening equipment).

Article 47 – Medical service

A medical service, composed of a sufficient number of doctors and medical auxiliaries, must be provided to insure the regulatory medical examination before the weigh-in (4 doctors), supervise the bouts (2 doctors per mat), and to assist in detecting the possible use of doping, under the conditions set out in the FILA Anti-Doping Regulations, under the supervision of the FILA doctor assigned to the competition.

Article 48 – Obligations regarding staff

The organising country must provide and guarantee the personnel to perform the functions mentioned below, and it is pointed out that it would be desirable for the said functions to be performed by persons speaking French or English.

- a) Obligations towards the FILA officials:
 - qualified persons entrusted with the task of assisting the said officials on all matters of technical organisation (number established by the FILA President)
 - qualified translators, entrusted with the task of translating the debates and discussions at official meetings (Congress, Bureau, Commissions) organised by the FILA President



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- b) At the weigh-in
- one or two persons (secretary) per scale, who shall be instructed to assist at each weigh-in, under the responsibility of the referees assigned.
- c) At each mat:
- a person or several liaising with the mat chairman and the competition Secretariat
 - a person or several to hold the stopwatch and gong
 - a person or several to distribute and collect the score sheets
 - a person or several to warn competitors already required
 - a person or several responsible for the public pairing board
 - a person or several liaising with the judges/referees assigned to the mat
 - personnel required for the video service
 - staff required to ensure security and to maintain order
- d) At the contest secretariat a qualified head of department, with one or more assistants and typists, for printing the results, ensuring that they are distributed to the officials, delegations and the Press, and for preparing the pairing lists for the next few bouts
- The secretariat must be equipped with two or three computers and with the required equipment for copying texts (high capacity photocopier). Back-up equipment must also be available. At senior and junior World Championships and at senior and junior European Championships, the competition secretariat will be ensured by the FILA team.
- e) At the Press Center
A permanent and qualified executive, the personnel and necessary equipment for the press to function properly (telephone, fax, Internet connection, computers, printers)
- f) Miscellaneous
A certain number of interpreters must be provided to maintain communication between the different delegations, as it would seem to be useful, at the competition venues, for a person to be able to provide the supervisors and participants with all the information they require on the material and practical problems that may arise.
- NB: The list of personnel referred to in this article is not exhaustive, and it may be changed at the request of the FILA President, his deputy or the Secretary General.



TITLE 6 - RUNNING OF THE COMPETITIONS

Chapter 1 - PRIOR MEASURES

Article 49 – Running the competition

The FILA President, or his representative (see Article 22), assisted by the Secretary General and the Bureau members appointed by him, shall administer and supervise the running of the contests.

If it is impossible for the President or his representative to be present, the Secretary General will be responsible for the competition organization, assisted by the FILA Bureau members attending the event.

Article 50 – General functions of the officials

Under the terms of a formal report drawn up for the event, the President shall confer the following duties upon the members of the Bureau or other persons delegated: officiating, weigh-in, medical examination, drawing of lots, pairing and appointment of referees.

It is therefore the responsibility of the said officials, under the supervision of the President::

- to proceed with the weigh-in of the competitors
- to establish the final contest timetable according to agreements signed with television networks
- to proceed with the drawing of lots
- to establish the rounds and bouts
- to appoint the referees and judges
- to supervise the development of the contests
- to supervise the boards
- to give instructions to the judges/referees and the delegations
- to take all necessary measures to ensure smooth running of the contests
- to supervise the officiating

Article 51 - Meetings

A meeting preceding the competition shall be held to verify and determine all the measures taken to ensure that the proper contest procedures have been carried out.

Similarly, the judges/referees shall be convened on the day before the competition (courses) so that they can be given all the necessary instructions regarding their allocation, and so that they can be reminded of the main provisions of the Regulations of the international officiating body and of the technical wrestling Rules.

Article 52 – Commencement of the competitions

After verifying that all the necessary equipment has been installed, the technical delegates shall give the order for the competitions to start.



Chapter 2 - PERFORMANCE AND END OF THE COMPETITIONS

Article 53 – Development of the competition

Each wrestling session will begin to the sound of the FILA anthem.

As far as the judges/referees are concerned, the competition must progress in accordance with the Regulations of the international officiating body, as far as the competitors and officials are concerned, in accordance with the international wrestling Rules, and as far as the participants are concerned, in accordance with the fixed timetable.

When a round has been established, notice of it must be immediately posted, together with the programme for the day.

The bouts must always begin at the precise times stipulated on the programme. No change of the timetable will be authorized after the agreement reached between the organizer, FILA and the host broadcaster.

In order to prevent any loss of time during the contests, the competitors must be called clearly at the appropriate time. The judges/referees must remain near the mat to which they are allocated in order to be able to perform their function as soon as they are invited to do so.

At the end of the contests, they must be verified, a procedure which involves the signing of a report by the technical delegates to be sent with the report from the instructor-coordinator.

Article 54 – Prizes and classification

a) Four prizes must be awarded in each weight category:

- 1st place the appropriate title, a gold medal, a diploma and a prize
- 2nd place a silver medal, a diploma and a prize
- Two 3rd places a bronze medal, a diploma and a prize
- 5th to 10th place a diploma of classification

For World Championships, the champion of each category will receive "the World Champion's belt", this award being paid for by the FILA.

Moreover, badges shall be distributed to all participants, competitors, team leaders, etc., who shall also receive a participant diploma prepared by the organizer.

b) Three prizes shall be awarded to the countries winning the highest number of points in the general classification, and a classification diploma shall be awarded to the participating countries.



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- c) The points shall be awarded as follows and recorded for every country:
- to the wrestler placed 1st 10 points (champion)
 - to the wrestler placed 2nd 9 points
 - to the wrestler placed 3rd 8 points
 - to the wrestler placed 3rd 8 points (2 wrestlers placed 3rd)
 - to the wrestler placed 5th 6 points
 - to the wrestler placed 6th 5 points
 - to the wrestler placed 7th 4 points
 - to the wrestler placed 8th 3 points
 - to the wrestler placed 9th 2 points
 - to the wrestler placed 10th 1 point

The total number of points won by wrestlers from the same country shall determine the classification for awarding the prizes to the countries.

If there is a tie, the number of titles won shall decide who wins the first prize. The same rule shall apply to the wrestlers placed 2nd or 3rd.

If no titles have been won, the number of second places (or even third) shall be used to decide which one of the tied wrestlers is the winner.

This table must be applied regardless of the number of wrestlers in each category.

PART THREE CEREMONIES AND FORMALITIES

TITLE 1 COMPETITION FORMALITIES

Article 55 - Principles

With a view to achieving the best possible organisation and standardising the different procedures which must accompany major international competitions, the formalities mentioned below, which are not exhaustive, shall constitute the Regulation measures to be taken.

All other initiatives provided for or recommended by the organisers are subject to the written approval of the FILA President or the Secretary General before they are implemented.

Article 56 – Opening ceremony

If, after satisfying himself that all the necessary equipment is installed, as laid down in Article 55 above, the FILA President (or his representative) gives the order for the event to commence, the opening ceremony shall begin, and shall include:

- a) presentation and parade, in alphabetical order, of the national delegations which gather side by side, in the competition area, preceded by their sign and flag, the referees forming a separate group
- b) addresses given by the persons specified, in an order approved by the FILA, the FILA President being the last to speak



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- c) presentation of the FILA flag by the delegation (six persons) from the host country
- d) the FILA flag shall then be hoisted up a mast specially erected for this purpose, and shall remain there throughout the competition. The Olympic flag may also be hoisted up as well as the National flag of the organizing country.
- e) presentation of the members of the FILA Bureau, on the decision of the President
- f) taking of the oath by a wrestler and by an international judge/referee from the organising country, the oath being taken in French, in English and in the language of the said country
- g) the competition is declared open by the FILA President
- h) departure of the delegations and officials, who shall return to the seats reserved for them

Article 57 – Award ceremony

The prizes provided for in Article 54 must be awarded in front of the public, in the order established by the FILA President, according to the running of the competition and to the order fixed and it must take place, in principle, after the finals of each weight category.

- 1) The wrestlers who are to be awarded the prizes referred to in Articles 54 a) and b) shall be led to the podium, for each category, and in the order specified above, by an official delegation which is necessarily and exclusively composed of three officials.

These officials will be preceded by three young girls, in national costume or official costume, selected by the organising Committee, and each carrying on a cushion the prizes and medals.

The official delegation shall be comprised as follows:

- a) one representative of the FILA Bureau for the awarding of the medals
 - b) two representatives of the organising country, appointed from among local people by the Organising Committee
- 2) As soon as the athletes have taken their place on the victory stand, the flag of the country of the champion shall, for each category, be raised on the mast provided for this purpose, together with the flags, to the right and left (3rd) of it, of the countries to which the wrestlers placed 2nd, and the two wrestlers placed 3rd belong (left).

The national anthem of the champion wrestler shall be played immediately after the prizes have been handed out.
 - 3) On the decision of the FILA President, the award ceremony may also be the occasion of the awarding of official distinctions to persons whom the FILA particularly wishes to honour.
 - 4) Suitable music shall be played during the parade and walk to the victory stand of athletes and officials, together with the other persons who have been awarded an official distinction.



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Article 58 – Closing ceremony

The closing ceremony shall take place once the prizes have been awarded, and shall be marked:

- a. By a closing address given by the FILA President, joined by two members of the FILA Bureau and by a representative of the Organising Committee.
- b. At the end of the competition, the FILA flag shall be lowered and looked after by a delegation of the country which will organise the following year's Championship, to the sound of appropriate music.

The person responsible from this Federation will sign the register stating that it has received the FILA flag in the name of the organising Federation.



TITLE 2 FORMALITIES FOR THE OFFICIALS

Article 59 - Purpose

The following provisions are intended to ensure:

- a) proper execution of the hierarchical duties
- b) compliance with the terms and conditions of rational organisation
- c) the conducting of the formalities in honour of those who are working and who have worked at the highest levels for the sport of wrestling and efforts to establish practical methods of completing such formalities.

However, they could not replace the special Regulations laid down in this regard for the Olympic Games or Continental and Regional Games.

Article 60 – FILA Bureau Members

With particular regard to Articles 7 c), and 41 of these Regulations, all appropriate measures must be taken to provide, for the use of the President, the Secretary General and FILA Bureau members attending the event:

- a) A common place of accommodation, as close as possible to the competition venue, in a hotel of a standing commensurate with the offices held by the persons concerned (5star hotel).
- b) Means of transport (cars) specifically allocated.
- c) The establishment, in the competition enclosure, of a specially reserved platform, containing a sufficient number of seats, some labelled with the names of the members, others provided for official guests of the FILA, and installed in an order appropriate for their respective titles.
- d) The drawing up of a table plan according to their respective qualifications, and obeying the rules of precedence. The above-mentioned measures must be given the approval of the FILA President or the Secretary General or the person in charge of the FILA Protocol.

Article 61 – Official Delegates of the Federations

As specified in Article 7 b), a special enclosure must be reserved, at the actual competition venues, for the heads of delegation of the participating countries, the Presidents of the National Federations present, and for the members of the various FILA Commissions who are not members of the Bureau.

Article 62 – FILA Honorary Members

Any person having the title of Honorary Member of the FILA shall be reserved a seat on the official platform, and may be sent special invitations, at the decision of the FILA President.

The security service implemented by the organizer will check that no unauthorized person is sitting on the official platform.

Article 63 - FILA guests

In accordance with the above provisions, the FILA President, may proceed to invite certain persons with a view to associating them with the event in question and with the various attendant formalities. For this purpose, he must receive around 50 “permanent access” VIP cards he may dispose as he thinks fit.



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Article 64 – General rule

To ensure that the measures and formalities provided for in the previous articles remain effective, and contribute to guaranteeing desirable harmony between officials of all ranks, the latter shall be prohibited from taking any personal initiative likely to interfere with or hamper their implementation.

Article 65 - Consequences

The non-respect of the above mentioned directives and recommendations could lead the President (or his representative) or the FILA Sport Judge, to put into practice against the offenders some of the measures contained in the Disciplinary Regulations, which, having to be taken during the competition, could, in addition, in certain cases, lead to expulsion from the match area or competition venue.

Article 66 – Statutory principle

In the even of problems of interpretation of any articles in these Regulations, as well as for any possible modifications or additions which could improve the smooth running of all the international events, the FILA Executive Committee remains the only competent body.



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OATHS

WRESTLER'S OATH

I, in the name of all the wrestlers taking part in this competition, abstaining from any improper act or attitude, do hereby swear to wrestle fairly, without hatred or passion, to obey the rules, to respect my adversaries and to demonstrate the utmost in sporting spirit, with dignity and fair play.

This I swear

REFEREE'S OATH

In the name of all the members of the officiating body, jointly and severally here present,

I do hereby swear to assume my duties without favouritism or discrimination and to carry out my task with the greatest objectivity and with a total observance of the rules of refereeing and of judgment.

This I swear.