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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this document is to provide the rules that govern the way of running Canoe Freestyle ICF competitions.

LANGUAGE

The English written language is the only acceptable language for all official communications relating to these Competition Rules and the conduct of all Canoe Freestyle ICF competitions.

For the sake of consistency, British spelling, punctuation and grammatical conventions have been used throughout.

Any word which may imply the masculine gender, also includes the feminine.

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List of Abbreviations

ATHLETE	Male or female <u>athlete</u>
FEDERATION	Member Federation of the ICF
ICF	International Canoe Federation
IJCFR	International Judge Canoe Freestyle
ICJCFR	International Chief Judge Canoe Freestyle
CFRC	Canoe Freestyle Committee
COMPETITION	World Championships, World Cups and International events
CATEGORIES	<u>Men Kayak (MK1)</u> , <u>Women Kayak (WK1)</u> , <u>Men Canoe (MC1)</u> , <u>Women Canoe (WC1)</u> , Open Canoe (OC1), <u>Men Squirt (MSQ)</u> , <u>Women Squirt (WSQ)</u>
(DQ-R)	Disqualification for the run
(DQ-C)	Disqualification for the whole competition
[GR]	General Rule (<i>approved by the Congress</i>)
[TR]	Technical Rule (<i>approved by the Board of Directors</i>)
INTCFRR	International Canoe Freestyle Rules
CC	Competition Committee

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CHAPTER I - GENERAL REGULATIONS

1 DEFINITION

[TR]

Canoe Freestyle is a white water sport where the athlete performs a range of acrobatic tricks and manoeuvres on a feature (artificial or natural) such as a wave or a hole in a given time.

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2 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

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2.1 All International competitions shall be governed by the rules of the ICF.

2.2 An ICF competition must be supervised by at least one judge who holds a valid card as IJCFR.

2.3 ICF competition officials are appointed by the Chairman of the CFRC. Nominations can be submitted by the organisers.

2.4 The organising Federation pays for room and board for all Representatives of the ICF, nominated by the Chairman of the CFRC. Room, board, travel expenses and registration fee for official judges are paid from the event registration fee.

2.5 ICF Competitions are Senior and Junior World Championships and World Cup. They are approved by the ICF Board of Directors. International events are put in the ICF Calendar by the CFRC Chairman.

2.6 There are three types of ICF competitions:

World Championships	(See Chapter IV)
World Cup	(See Chapter V)
International events	

2.7 Each athlete is only required to pay one full event registration fee regardless of the number of events entered in one international event. Any additional events entered by that athlete would be charged at a fee of 50% of the original registration fee.

3 COMPETITOR

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3.1 Only the members of associations affiliated with an ICF National Federation have the right to participate in an international competition.

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3.2 An athlete is always allowed to take part individually in an international competition but must in each case obtain special permission from his/her National Federation.

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3.3 Sporting nationality change

3.3.1 An athlete that has competed internationally at any level in the last 3 years requires authorisation from the ICF and the national federation of the original country in order to change sporting nationality.

3.3.2 For an athlete to be eligible for a change of sporting nationality they must have lived in that country for the last two years.

3.3.3 An athlete who is aged 18 or under can change Sporting Nationality with the approval of the two national federations involved. He/she is not required to fulfil the two year residency rule.

3.3.4 The request of the change of sporting nationality must be made to the ICF by the new National Federation no later than 30 November the year before the athlete wants to compete.

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3.3.5 For the Olympic Games the Olympic Charter rules will be applied for nationality issues. For athletes to be eligible for the Olympic and Paralympic Games they must hold citizenship/nationality of the country that they participate for at the time of the qualification event.

3.3.6 An athlete may not compete for more than one Federation in any one calendar year in the sport of canoeing.

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3.4 The first year an athlete can compete in a Junior competition is the year in that their 15th birthday falls in. The last year they can compete in a Junior category is the year that their 18th birthday falls in.

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3.5 Master(s) athletes can compete in a Masters event in the year that he/she reaches the lower limit of the age categories, i.e. in the 35-39 age group they are eligible to compete the year of their 35th birthday. Age group categories will commence from age 35-39 and increase upwards in 5 year age intervals.

3.6 Each member federation shall ensure that their athletes are in a good state of health and fitness which allows them to compete at a level commensurate with the competition level of the particular competition.

3.7 Each member federation ensure that their athletes, team officials, as well as the federation itself, carry appropriate health, accident and personal belongings insurance.

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4 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION CALENDAR [GR]

4.1 By the 1st of August of each year, Federations must send to both the ICF Headquarters, and the Chairman of the CFRC, the international competitions which they plan to hold in the following year.

4.2 Information shall include date, nation, venue and type (A or B) of the competition.

4.3 Federations may amend such submissions up to 30th September that year. After that deadline, it will be considered as finalised, and should be sent to the secretarial office of the ICF to be published.

4.4 By the 1st of November, the international calendar is published in the ICF Bulletin, or by special circular.

CHAPTER II - BOAT CONSTRUCTION - TRADEMARKS

5 THE BOATS

[TR]

5.1 Kayak K-1

- There are no boat restrictions but are decked boats and must respect the safety measures.
- Competitors must be sitting with their legs out in front and use a double bladed paddle

5.2 Canoe Decked C-1

- There are no boat restrictions but are decked boats and must respect the safety measures.
- Competitors must be kneeling and use a single bladed paddle.

5.3 Open Canoe OC-1

- Competitors must be kneeling and using a single bladed paddle.
- Boat must be able to hold 40 liters of water with the athlete kneeling in the boat.
- The open depth of the boat must be at least 40cm for a length of 80cm.
- The overall open surface area must be at least 3800qcm.
- Buoyancy for the boat ends is to be inflatable (bulkheads not permitted).
- Boat must respect the safety measures

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5.4 Squirt Boat

- There are no boat restrictions but must respect the safety measures.

6 TRADEMARKS

[TR]

6.1 Trademarks

Boats, accessories, and clothing may carry trademarks, advertising symbols, and written text.

6.2 Requirements for ICF Canoe Freestyle Contests

The guidelines for any advertising material carried on the clothing and equipment of athletes should be as follows:

- All advertising material should be placed in such a way that it does not interfere with athletes' identification and does not affect the outcome of the race.
- The advertising of tobacco smoking and strong spirit drinks is not allowed.

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6.3 The front side of the bibs is primarily reserved for the CFRC sponsor with the personal numbers. The reverse side may be freely used by the organiser including the personal numbers.

6.4 The Bibs must be approved by the CFRC 3 month prior to the event. The general layout must be approved.

CHAPTER III - RACING ORGANISATION AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMPETITIONS

7 TEAM ENTRY CONDITION

[TR]

7.1 Nominal entries for ICF competition (World Cup and World Championships)

7.1.1 Countries must register their whole team **30 days** before the event on the ICF online entry system in accordance with the regulations given in the invitation.

7.1.2 Only National Federations up to date with the ICF membership fee can register teams to the National Federation organizing the event.

7.1.3 If National Federations do not meet this deadline, their team will **not** be allowed to enter.

7.2 Nominal entries for International Competitions and Masters competitions:

7.2.1 Individual entries can be accepted.

7.2.2 The entries must be in writing or online in accordance with the regulations given by the organising Federation in the invitation.

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8 GENERAL RULES FOR CATEGORIES

[TR]

8.1 A junior may not compete in both the junior and senior class in that discipline.

8.2 A person may compete in two different disciplines, such as C-1 and OC-1, or more.

8.3 Only one single boat design may be used for the whole event.

8.4 No boat sharing is allowed in one heat.

9 OFFICIAL EVENT STATUS

[GR]

To be considered an official event there must be a minimum of 3 athletes from at least 2 different countries.

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10 OFFICIALS

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10.1 Competition Committee (CC) [GR]

10.1.1 Every international Canoe Freestyle competition must have a CC composed as follows:

- 1) ICF Representative (Chairman)
- 2) Technical Organiser
- 3) ICJCFR
- 4) Teams' representative

10.1.2 The Teams' Representative is a Team Manager elected by all the Teams attending the last Team Managers meeting prior to the event.

10.1.3 The Technical Organiser and the Teams' Representative can not belong to the same National Federation.

10.1.4 The CC receives protests and makes the final decision. Decisions of the CC must be in accordance with ICF rules. The CC decides on all questions raised during the competition that are not covered by the ICF rules.

10.1.5 In the event of a tie vote, the Chairman of the CC decides.

10.1.6 The CC can invite any technical resource necessary to study the protests received.

10.1.7 The Technical Organiser is responsible for local preparations and conduct of the entire competition and the installation and proper functioning of technical equipment required for the competition.

10.1.8 The CC has the right to disqualify athletes if they bring the sport into disrepute.

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10.2 Canoe Freestyle Chief Judge (ICJCFR) [GR] [TR]

10.2.1 Definition of the ICJCFR [GR]

- The ICJCFR on a Canoe Freestyle Contest is the person in charge of the ICJCFR team all through the whole contest. The ICJCFR :
 - guarantees that all the athletes are judged equally all through the competition.
 - makes sure the international Canoe Freestyle rules are correctly applied on all the international Canoe Freestyle competitions he attends.

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- The ICJCFR in accordance with the CFRC selects the IJCFR for the event.

10.2.2 Nomination

The ICJCFR is named by the CFRC at least 2 months before the beginning of the event.

10.2.3 Obligations of the ICJCFR [TR]

- ICJCFR is in charge of the judging area for the whole competition and no one is allowed to overrule their command.
- ICJCFR oversees the judging panel, scribes and scoring system.
- ICJCFR directs the timekeeper/commentator as necessary.
- ICJCFR supervises the running of the competition.
- ICJCFR directs / instructs the athletes if necessary.
- ICJCFR starts the rides. In case of a starting problem not due to the **athlete**, the run the **athlete** was doing is cancelled. The **athlete** must then choose either to run again straight away or to run at the end of the current heat. He must inform the Chief-Judge immediately of his decision and can not change anymore.
- ICJCFR proposes to the CC any major format changes not included in the rules in order to keep the **athletes** safe. Only security measures can allow adaptation of the rules.
- ICJCFR has the authority to over rule calls by the judges or award a score in order to keep consistency. This can only be done after having questioned the IJCFR. If the overruling is performed, the ICCFR must fill in a form giving the explanation in a few sentences of his motivation.
- ICJCFR will be independent from any national federation.
- ICJCFR ensures that the Competition results are submitted to the ICF immediately after the competition.
- ICJCFR sends to the CFRC in the month following the end of the event a report of his work with the results of the IJCFR evaluation.
- ICJCFR is lodged by the organising committee 5 days prior to the event until the end of the event.

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10.2.4 Limitations [TR]

- ICJCFR can not be an athlete competing at an international level in Canoe Freestyle in the season he judges.
- ICJCFR can not be a Team Manager in the season he judges.
- ICJCFR must not wear any visible sign of his national federation of origin during the event nor any kayaking manufacturer promotion apparent unless directed otherwise by the CFRC.
- ICJCFR can not deposit any protest to the CC.
- ICJCFR can not be a member of the CFRC.

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10.2.5 Judging platform validation [TR]

The ICJCFR must validate before the beginning of the event the judging platform. The platform must be according to the minimum following standards:

- Total area to be a minimum of 22 sq Meters (9M x 2.5M) 9M is length available for the judges to be placed
- Only Judges and scoring officials to be placed in the area. No TV or PA / Sound systems in the minimum area space.
- P/A and Sound system to be placed so that it does not interfere with the Scribes ability to hear the Judges
- The area to be secured and only accessible for authorised officials
- The area must be sited approximately at an angle of 45 degrees above the feature, whichever is the best view for the moves to be seen for the ICJCFR.
- The view of the feature from the judge's area must not be in anyway blocked.
- The judges are to be protected from wet and windy weather including suitable protection from the sun at all times during the competition.

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10.3 Canoe Freestyle International Judge (IJCFR) [TR] [GR]

10.3.1 Definition of the IJCFR. [GR]

The IJCFR is a variety judge only He judges the moves and the bonuses each athlete executes.

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10.3.2 Number of Judges [TR]

Number of Judges: 3 Variety IJCFR and 3 scribes

10.3.3 IJCFR training [GR]

IJCFR must have followed a training organised by the CFRC. At the end of the training, every trainee has to take a written exam and a practice exam. Considering their results, the trainees are awarded either Grade A, Grade B or are not kept as IJCFR.

10.3.4 Financial Responsibility

National Federations are financially responsible for their Officials (before and after the examination).

For every candidate applied for the examination, a National Federation will be charged 20 €. Total Invoice will be sent to a National Federation in the period between 30 October and 30 November for the current year.

10.3.5 Validity and Renewals of Official Cards

Validity and renewals are subject to the Technical Chairs' criteria. If the Officials' Card expires, is lost or destroyed a 20 euro fee for renewal will be charged.

10.3.6 Annual activity resume [TR]

In order to carry on being IJCFR, every year in January, the FEDERATION host of IJCFR must send to ICFHQ a resume of the judging activity of each IJCFR for the past year. If this is not done, the IJCFR goes down one grade, minimum being Grade B.

10.3.7 Changing Grade [TR]

After each World Cup or World Championship, the IJCFR are evaluated on their activity by the ICJCFR. They then can either become grade A or grade B on decision of the CFRE.

10.3.8 Validity and Renewals of Official Cards [GR]

Validity and renewals are subject to the Technical Chairs' criteria. If the Officials' Card expires, is lost or destroyed a 20 euros fee for renewal will be charged.

10.3.9 Category judging [GR]

IJCFR must judge one category all through the competition and can not change except in case of force-majeure. The decision is taken by the ICJCFR.

10.3.10 Obligations of the IJCFR [TR]

- IJCFR can not be a team Manager in the competition he is chosen to judge.
- IJCFR does not represent a FEDERATION but judges athletes of the world. In case of non observation of this, the ICJFRE can strike him off the Judging team in accordance with the CFRC.
- IJCFR is lodged by the organising committee 3 days prior to the event and until the end of the event.
- IJCFR can not be a member of the CFRC except in the case of force-major approved by the CC.
- IJCFR must be on the venue at least 3 days prior to the event

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10.3.11 Judging Criteria [TR]

- As each ride is performed, the IJCFR verbally instructs his scribe who records the results on the score sheet or electronic device as instructed.
- The moves and the points for each move are listed in the Appendixes for surface boats and for squirt. The list is proposed and published by the CFRC.

11 COMPETITION SCHEDULE [GR]

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At least 10 hours before the beginning of the competition, a final competition schedule must be available to each participating Federation, giving the names of the participants with their Federation.

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12 ALTERATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF ENTRIES [GR]

12.1 Alterations and withdrawals must be made in writing to the Technical Organiser at least 24 hours before the beginning of the competition.

12.2 Withdrawal of an entry is final and re-entry of the same athlete is not possible.

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12.3 Any replacement must have been registered as reserves by the National Federation.

13 START NUMBERS AND RACE BRIEFING [TR]

13.1 The personal numbers provided by the organising national federation shall be placed on the back and on the front of the **athlete** as required. Providing the bibs is of the organising national federation's responsibility.

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13.2 The size of the numbers must be 15 to 20 cm high and 2 cm thick minimum.

They should be fixed visibly to the body of the **athletes** so that the Judges can see them easily at any time. The CFRC must approve the final design of the bibs before production.

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13.3 Each **athlete** is responsible for their start number.

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13.4 A meeting (race briefing) of the team managers from each participating Federation must be held at least 10 hours before the start of the competition. Only one Team Manager for each country is invited. The following points should be discussed:

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- Safety matters.
- Additional instructions to **athletes**.
- Alterations and/or withdrawals of entries.
- Programme of the event.
- Election of the Representative for the CC.

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14 SAFETY MEASURES [TR]

14.1 The organizing National Federation is responsible for safety and rescue on the water providing suitable means. They must be approved by the CFRC.

14.2 All boats except Squirt boats must be equipped at each end with anchor points for lifting, carrying or rescuing. An average hand must be able to grab easily these points.

14.3 Each **athlete** must wear a fastened safety helmet suitably fitted to his head. Only branded products designed for white water use will be accepted.

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14.4 Each **athlete** must wear a buoyancy jacket. Only branded products with a recognised safety certification designed for white water use will be accepted.

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14.5 Competitors must be able to free themselves from their boat at all times, quickly and easily.

14.6 Compliance of safety measures

- 10% of the athletes will be randomly checked on the safety measures by an ICJCFR, or a representative of the CFRC.
- The checking will take place before the run of the person's selected.
- In the event of non-observance of the safety rules, the ICJCFR, according to his assigned duties, is responsible to prohibit an athlete from starting.

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15 FORMAT - SURFACE BOAT

[TR]

15.1 General - Riding

- No practice runs are to be done just before the racing run. A schedule of practice runs must be proposed by the host national federation on the feature at least in the 7 days before the official event.
- For surface boats, the run begins as the athlete crosses the main lateral of the wave/hole or with an entry move from upstream when the boat makes contact with wave/hole. The run continues until the time limit.
- For the squirt class, the run begins as the athlete initiates his first move.

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15.2 Competition Format

15.2.1 For surface boats

- ICJCFR evaluates whether feature is attainable or non-attainable and announces it at the race briefing meeting.
- Attainable features can be attained back into during the course of play within the allotted time.
- Non attainable features can NOT be attained back into during the course of play within the allotted time.
- the run is audibly finished by a buzzer, 10 seconds remaining is to be announced by a different or shorter buzzer.

	Attainable		Non attainable	
Preliminaries	2 runs of 45 sec	Both score added	4 runs of 45 sec	Best 2 scores added
¼ finals	3 runs of 45 sec	Best 2 scores added	3 runs of 45 sec	Best 2 scores added
½ finals	2 runs of 45 sec	Best score	2 runs of 45 sec	Best score
Finals	3 runs of 45 sec	Best score	3 runs of 45 sec	Best score

15.2.2 For the squirt class

The ICJCFR defines the arena that must surround and include the main feature of the surface boats. The ICJCFR decides which features in the arena can be used by the athlete (wave, hole, rocks, wall, etc.) The arena can start maximum 50 meters upstream and finish maximum 50 meters downstream the main feature. The arena is announced by the ICJCFR at the race briefing meeting.

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Preliminaries	2 runs of 60 sec	Both scores added
¼ finals	3 runs of 60 sec	Best 2 scores added
½ finals	2 runs of 60 sec	Best score
Finals	3 runs of 60 sec	Best score

15.3 Preliminaries

- Athletes are randomly selected in heats for the preliminaries.
- 25% of the class rounded up to the nearest 5 with a maximum of 40 and a minimum of 20 athletes will advance to the Quarter Finals.
- When a class has 40 or less athletes, the top 10 from prelims go straight to semi finals.
- When a class has 10 or less athletes then 5 athletes will advance straight to finals.
- In the case of a tie, tie breakers are as follow:
 - ✓ Dropped ride first
 - ✓ Highest scoring move performed on all the runs of the round (move judged by at least one IJCFR) second.
 - ✓ Highest number of different moves third.
 - ✓ If there is still a tie the athletes concerned will go to the next round.
- In case the tie was not broken according to the rules mentioned above, the ICJCFR can propose solutions to the CC.
- Athletes with a score of 0 points can not move forward to the next round

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15.4 Quarter Finals

- Athletes are seeded by preliminary results, the best score starting last.
- Top 10 athletes advance to the Semi Finals.
- In the case of a tie, tie breakers are as follow:
 - ✓ Dropped ride first
 - ✓ Highest scoring move performed on all the runs of the round (move judged by at least one IJCFR) second.
 - ✓ Highest number of different moves third.
 - ✓ If there is still a tie the athletes concerned will go to the next round.
- In case tie was not broken according to the rules mentioned above, the ICJCFR can propose solutions to the CC.
- Athletes with a score of 0 points can not move forward to the next round

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15.5 Semi Finals

- Athletes are seeded by the results of the round preceding the semi finals, the best score starting last.
- Top 5 **athletes** advance to Finals.
- In the case of a tie, tie breakers are as follow:
 - ✓ Dropped ride first
 - ✓ Highest scoring move performed on all the runs of the round (move judged by at least one IJCFR) second.
 - ✓ Highest number of different moves third.
 - ✓ If there is still a tie the **athletes** concerned will have one extra run to break the tie.
- In case tie was not broken according to the rules mentioned above, the ICJCFR can propose solutions to the CC.
- Athletes with a score of 0 points can not move forward to the next round

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15.6 Finals

- All the finalists do 3 rides.
- The athletes are seeded according to the results of the preceding round, the best score starting last.
- Start order is the same for the 3 rides.
- The best ride of the final is selected to determine the ranking.
- In case of a tie, the best dropped runs are selected. If there is still a tie, the highest scoring move is selected. If the tie is still in, the highest number of different moves breaks the tie. If the tie still remains, it is kept for final result.

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15.7 Entry Moves

There are different levels of entry moves. Entry moves must be dynamic and fluid. If the boat stalls between contact with the wave and the move intended it will not be classed as an entry move. The levels and values are defined in the appendix 3.

15.8 Basic moves

The basic moves are the list of moves with no redundancy in the list of definitions. They are listed in the Appendix 1 for the surface boats and in the Appendix 3 for the squirt class with the points associated. Each basic move can be awarded only once per run.

15.9 Bonuses

The bonuses are listed in the Appendix 2 for the surface boats and in the Appendix 4 for the squirt class with the points associated. They can be awarded only once for the basic move they are assigned to in a given direction.

15.10 Scoring

15.10.1 For surface boats

The values of each basic move, bonus and entry move awarded are added per IJCFR. The scores of all IJCFR for one run are averaged.

15.10.2 For the squirt class

The values of each basic move, bonus and entry move awarded are added per IJCFR. This result is multiplied by the value accorded to the deepest mystery move level of the run (list in the Appendix 5). The scores of all IJCFR for one run are averaged.

16 APPEAL TO THE CC

[GR]

16.1 Verifications

Counting verification demands can be submitted to the ICJCFR. He/She must have notified the ICJCFR of his/her intention to protest to the CC within 5 minutes after the results of the concerned class were displayed and submit in writing within 10 minutes after the results of the concerned class were displayed. The demand can come from a Team Manager only for a member of his team. The demand must be accompanied by a 25€ bank note(s) (or equivalent currency of the host country) administration fee. The ICJCFR issues prove of the counting result to the Team Manager.

16.2 No appeal / protest against a decision of the ICJCFR and the IJCFR concerning the moves, bonuses and entry move awarded can be made.

16.3 An appeal to the CC can be made when it appears that there is a contradiction with the rules of the competition. It can come in writing within 20 minutes after the results of the concerned class were displayed only from a Team Manager accompanied by a 200 € bank note(s) (or equivalent currency of the host country) administration fee. The Team Manager must have notified the ICJCFR of his intention to protest to the CC within 5 minutes after the results of the concerned class were displayed or 5 minutes after the issue of the

counting result in the event a verification request was made. The CC must then meet all together after the current round and before the next one. The decision must be taken within 30 minutes after the beginning of the meeting. Once the decision has been taken by the competition committee this decision then becomes a fact. Items of facts may not be protest it further.

16.4 Only the CC is legitimate to receive protests.

17 APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ICF [GR]

No appeals are possible to the board of Directors of the ICF.

18 DISQUALIFICATION FOR THE RUN [GR]

18.1 If an athlete starts in a boat which does not conform to the rules, the ICJCFR will disqualify him/her for that run. (DQ-R)

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18.2 Directing, pushing, or movement of the boat by anyone other than the athlete themselves is forbidden.

Supprimé: competitor

18.3 Competitors may assist each other back up the eddy without penalty only in the OC1 category.

18.4 Equipment can be used to enter the wave/hole but all the athletes must be able to use it equally.

Supprimé: competitor

18.5 A athlete who is not ready to start as scheduled is disqualified for the run if there is negligence on their part. This is the decision of the ICJCFR (DQ-R)

Supprimé: competitor

19 DISQUALIFICATION FOR THE WHOLE COMPETITION [GR]

19.1 A athlete who attempts to win a competition by irregular means, who breaks the rules, or who contests their validity, can be disqualified for the competition on the decision of the CC. (DQ-C)

Supprimé: competitor

19.2 If an athlete is forced to break the rules by the action of another person, the CC decides if they will be disqualified or not for the competition. (DQ-C)

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19.3 The ICJCFR may discipline any athlete or official whose behaviour is detrimental to the good order and conduct of the competition. Notice of this must be referred to the CC, who may after repeated action by the offender, disqualify them for that competition. (DQ-C)

19.4 For disqualification after competition caused by doping or ineligibility:

- all achieved results and rankings of (DQ-C) athlete(s) are erased.
- results are re-calculated accordingly and the revised version of all affected outputs (results, summaries, medals) is produced.

19.5 In any case judged by the CC, the offender will be allowed to present his/her case for a maximum of 10 minutes. He may be assisted by another person of his choice.

20 ANTI-DOPING

[GR]

20.1 Doping as defined in the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code is strictly forbidden.

20.2 Anti-Doping control must be conducted in accordance with the ICF Anti-Doping control regulations under the supervision of the ICF Medical & Anti-Doping Committee.

20.3 Athletes entered in any ICF competition or Continental Championships will be required before competing to complete the ICF's Anti-Doping Education Programme or equivalent following ICF requirements.

CHAPTER IV - SPECIAL RULES FOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Supprimé: SENIOR AND JUNIOR

21 World Championships obligations [GR]

21.1 World Championships take place every odd year.

21.2 The National Federation hosting must have applied ICF standards.

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21.3 Squirt boating competitions are to be held at a location that is agreed upon by the organisers of the event taking into consideration overall safety and quality of the squirt feature.

Supprimé:

21.4 Masters World championships can be organised in Canoe Freestyle. Age groups can start at +35 years of age. The ICF Board of Directors can determine the events based on recommendation of the CFR.

22 Obligation of the Host [GR]

The host of the World Championships must organize one of the World Cups events in the year before.

23 Validity of a World Championship [GR]

For the non-Olympic events, a valid World Championship is held only if there are at least six (6) Federations in each event AND there must be at least three (3) Continents starting OVERALL in the competition. If during the course of the event some Federations drop out or do not finish, the validity of the Championships is not affected.

24 Team sizes

[TR]

24.1 Maximum number of athletes per event:

Event	maximum
<u>Men</u> K-1 Surface ▾	5
<u>Women</u> K-1 Surface ▾	5
<u>Men</u> K-1 Surface Junior ▾	3
<u>Women</u> K-1 Surface Junior ▾	3
<u>Open</u> OC1 Surface ▾	2
<u>Open</u> C1 Surface ▾	3
<u>Men</u> K-1 Squirt ▾	3
<u>Women</u> K-1 Squirt ▾	3

Supprimé: Men

Supprimé: Women

Supprimé: Men

Supprimé: Women

Supprimé: 2

Supprimé: Unisex

Supprimé: Unisex

Supprimé: Men

Supprimé: Women

24.2 A athlete participating in several classes is considered as part of the team for each class.

Supprimé: competitor

25 Invitations

[TR]

25.1 Gold Medallists in each class are automatically invited to return to the next Championships in the same class.

25.2 The Junior World Champion has an automatic invitation to return to the next Championships also as a senior of his class, if he is no longer a junior.

26 IJCFR

[TR]

26.1 Only Grade A IJCFR can judge in World Championships.

26.2 IJCFR can not be an athlete of the World Championships he/she is chosen to judge.

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27 ICJCFR

[GR]

27.1 A ICJCFR substitute must be named by the CFRC before the beginning of the World Championships. He will replace the actual ICJCFR in case of force-majeur.

27.2 While not being ICJCFR, the ICJCFR substitute will be IJCFR for the World Championships.

28 JURY

[GR]

28.1 During the World championships, the supreme authority rests with the Jury. The Jury consists of up to three persons.

Supprimé: five

28.2 The ICF board of directors appoints the members of the Jury.

28.3 One of these members of the ICF is named Chair of the Jury.

28.4 The chief Official and other technical officials are subordinate to the Jury.

28.5 Appeal must be presented in writing and submitted with a fee of 75 Euros (or equivalent in the currency of the country organising the competition) to the Chair of the Jury in the Scoring Office within 20 minutes of the time that a decision of a protest is known. The decision of the Jury is final. The fee will be returned if the claim is justified.

29 IJCFR assistance

[GR]

29.1 Each Country competing must provide assistants relevant to their team size.

Number of athletes	Number of assistants
3 - 9 Athletes	1 assistant
10 -19 Athletes	2 assistants
20+ Athletes	4 assistants

29.2 A country not providing assistants will have to pay a fine to the ICF. The amount is fixed by the ICF 3 weeks before the event.

29.3 A country competing for the first time at the ICF World Championships does not have to provide assistants.

29.4 The name of the assistants must be provided one week before the beginning of the event by each national federation.

30 NATION CUP

[GR]

30.1 One Nation Cup in Canoe Freestyle will be awarded for the “Overall” winning National Federation based on the number of gold medals the athletes from a National Federation have earned.

30.2 In the event of a tie in the number of gold medals, the number of silver medals is taken into consideration, and then the number of bronze medals.

30.3 If two or more National Federation have an equal number of gold, silver, and bronze medals, they obtain the same rank and they are ordered in the table alphabetically by their NOC code.

CHAPTER V - SPECIAL RULES FOR WORLD CUP COMPETITION

31 World Cup obligations [TR]

It can take place every even year. The National Federation hosting for each event must have applied ICF standards. Squirr boating competitions are to be held at a location that is agreed upon by the organisers of the event taking into consideration overall safety and quality of the squirr feature.

32 Number of events [TR]

The ICF decides for every World Cup the number of events chosen. A world Cup must be composed of at least 2 events. In the case of not having sufficiency bids, the World Cup is not organised.

33 Team sizes [TR]

33.1 The team sizes are open but must always be registered by a National Federation member of the ICF.

33.2 The CFRC can however decide to limit the team sizes. In this case, the sizes are published at least 6 months before the beginning of the World Cup.

34 IJCFR [TR]

IJCFR can be an athlete in a championship he is chosen to judge at but can not judge the classes that he is competing in.

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35.4 The name of the assistants must be provided one week before the beginning of the event by each National Federation.

35.5 Officials provided by a National Federation can be counted as Assistants provided.

36 Paddlers ranking and winner of the World Cup

[TR]

36.1 On every event, each athlete is awarded points according to his rank on the event in the class he participated in. All the points the athlete collects for a particular class on each event are added and the athlete with most points wins the World Cup in his class.

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Supprimé: paddler

36.2 In case of a tie for the World Cup title only, the result of the final event breaks the tie.

36.3 Points according to rank are awarded as follows:

Rank	1	2	3	4	5	Other ranks
Points	100	95	90	85	80	Maximum of 1 and (81-rank)