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Dear All

As we draw 2021 to a close, we would like to thank Regions for running competitions during the latter half of this year under what are still difficult circumstances. As a WTC, we would like to ensure that you are all aware of the following:

New FIG Cycle 15 Code of Points 2022-2024

In line with the new Cycle 15 CoP 2022-2024 that will be used for all WAG competitions from 1st January 2022, we would like to confirm that the height of the bars will be raised as standard by 5cm on each bar. An additional 5cm increase can be requested for all gymnasts that still touch the mats with their feet during the exercise. This requested must be made at the time of entry. We are waiting for FIG Apparatus Norms to be published to confirm the distance between the bars.

Compulsory Grades & Voluntary Levels Programme for 2022

The detailed booklets for Compulsory Grades and Voluntary Levels will be published in the near future.

Compulsories (mastery of basics)	Voluntaries (development of FIG content) <i>for those gymnasts that have also passed the relevant compulsory grade in the same year</i>
Compulsory 4 minimum age 9	Voluntary 4 minimum age 9
Compulsory 3 minimum age 10	Voluntary 3 minimum age 10
Compulsory 2 minimum age 11	Voluntary 2 minimum age 11
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Espoir Year 2 aged 13	
Junior Year 1 aged 14	
Junior Year 2 aged 15	
Senior aged 16+	

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Parameters and changes for the immediate future:

Compulsory Grades 2022

- Gymnasts can go directly to Compulsory 3 providing they have reached the minimum age.
- Gymnasts can do two Compulsory Levels in 2022 if they are ready and are of the minimum age, eg. Compulsory 3 in their region in March then Compulsory 2 in June. However, a gymnast cannot do two Compulsory National Finals in the same year.
- There will be no resit for Compulsory 2 in 2022.
- There will be no National Finals for Compulsory 4.
- Coaches of the best gymnasts from each Region may be invited to a coach's camp later in the year at LNSC – more details to follow.
- Compulsory 3 will have regional team entry at National Finals for the top 4 gymnasts of minimum age 10. Gymnasts who do not place in the top 4 regionally and achieve a minimum score (TBC) will be allowed to enter as an individual.
- Compulsory 2 will be direct entry to National Finals. Gymnasts must have passed Compulsory 3 to enter.

Voluntary Levels 2022

- Voluntary 4, 3 and 2 will be reintroduced in 2022.
- There will be no National Finals for Voluntary 4.
- Coaches of the best gymnasts from each region may be invited to a coach's camp later in the year at LNSC – more details to follow.
- Voluntary 3 will have regional team entry at National Finals for the top 4 gymnasts of minimum age 10. Gymnasts who do not place in the top 4 regionally and achieve a minimum score (TBC) will be allowed to enter as an individual.
- Voluntary 2 will be direct entry to National Finals. Entry criteria TBC.

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From 2023

Gymnasts must pass compulsory 4 to progress to compulsory 3.

NDP Club, Regional & National Grades 2022

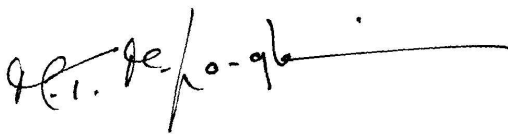
There will be no change of content to the NDP Club, Regional & National Grades in 2022. Any deductions that are specified will remain unchanged for this year, and deductions that state 'As per FIG' will be per new CoP.

If, due to exceptional circumstances, a coach believes that their gymnast will need to repeat the last grade they had passed in 2022 they can apply directly to the WTC.

Classic Challenge

Thank you to all regions that have embraced this new competition structure. These rules will be reviewed and updated in line with the new CoP and any updates will be published early in 2022.

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