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Competition Event Recognition Program

Rules and Regulations

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Introduction

The IPSF Competition Event Recognition Program seeks to accomplish two things:

1) Recognize regional events that are producing Pole Athletes. The level of event recognition is based on the level of entrant criteria fairness and level of recognition of event judging. The IPSF seeks to improve and standardize the level of competition across the world through the incentive of being recognized by the Pole Sports industry's Olympic organizing body. This will make the competition more attractive to athletes and sponsors thus making the competition more lucrative to the organizers and the athletes.

2) Identify athletes that may participate in the IPSF World Pole Sport Championship. This is accomplished through the assignment of "IPSF Competition Credit" for finishers in the top three of the event. Furthermore, the amount of corresponding credit is based on the level of the event recognition. The more the event and the competition seek to abide by commonly accepted criteria for competitions, the more the credit possible for the athlete.

Definitions

Event

A single competitive contest within the overall competition that results in a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner. Only events are recognized, not whole competitions unless all events in the competition are recognized. Competition must be regional in nature such as state, province, territory, national, multi-national, or international and incorporating competitors from geographically dispersed cities.

Fair Judging

Judging must be conducted in a fair manner without bias, following a set of guidelines that are applied evenly.

Fair Selection

Selection of participants must be based on qualifications and skill and exhibit non-discrimination.

IPSF Recognized Judges

Judging must be conducted by persons who are recognized by the IPSF as knowledgeable in all aspects of pole athleticism as qualified pole instructors and beholden to the IPSF's Ethical Code of Conduct. That does not mean they are IPSF Judges, only that they are recognized by the IPSF as capable.

IPSF Recognized Judging Criteria

Criteria must be recognized by the IPSF as sufficiently comprehensive and uses IPSF recognized terminology.

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1. Recurring competitions must re-certify for each competition.
2. Competitions apply for event recognition on a per competition event basis.
3. Competitions must submit IPSF Competition Event Recognition Program Application to the IPSF describing participant selection and judging processes along with a list of judges for verification of eligibility at least one-month prior to the competition.
4. Upon completion of event, competition must submit written scoring by judges to the IPSF as proof that judging was applied as described in application.
5. A designated IPSF representative may certify all eligibility requirements have been met on-site at time of competition.
6. Failure to submit requested documentation as specified invalidates recognition and will place added scrutiny upon the competition the next time it applies for recognition.
7. Following IPSF approval, competitions may promote approved individual events as an "IPSF Recognized Event" but not an "IPSF Recognized Competition" unless all competition events are recognized.
8. Only competitions held in good taste that do not involve stripping and is devoid of nudity will be considered for recognition.
9. The IPSF, at its sole discretion, designates the level of recognition based on documentation provided.
10. IPSF may approach competitions to discuss eligibility for inclusion in the program.
11. IPSF President, Executive Vice-President, and Chair of the Technical Committee vote on recognition of an event with two of three approval votes needed for recognition.
12. Doping control is not required for any event.

Levels of Event Recognition

IPSF Bronze Event

- Recognize select events in existing competitions not using IPSF recognized criteria
- Must have Fair Selection
- Must have Fair Judging
- 1st place winner gets 1 IPSF Competition Credit
- 2nd and 3rd place winners get ½ IPSF Competition Credits each

IPSF Silver Event

- Recognize select events in existing competitions using some IPSF recognized criteria
- Must have Fair Selection
- Must have IPSF Recognized Judges
- Must have IPSF Recognized Judging Criteria
- 1st place winner gets 2 IPSF Competition Credits
- 2nd and 3rd place winners get 1 IPSF Competition Credits each

IPSF Gold Event

- Recognize select events in existing competitions using IPSF criteria
- Competition uses full IPSF selection, judges, and judging criteria
- 1st place winner gets 3 IPSF Competition Credits
- 2nd and 3rd place winners get 2 IPSF Competition Credits each

IPSF Competition Credit for Athletes

1. Top three finishers in each recognized event receive IPSF Competition Credit.
2. Amount of credit received depends on finishing position and level of event recognition.
3. Athlete must obtain at least one credit prior to the 2012 IPSF World Pole Sports Championship to be eligible for participation in the Championship. Beginning with the 2013 Championship, an athlete must have two credits to be eligible.
4. Credits expire two years from date of event in which the credits were earned.
5. Athlete must declare legal country of residence to receive credits.
6. Credits may be withheld or provisionally awarded pending resolution of disputed competition results or investigations of violations of Ethical Code of Conduct. Upon resolution, credits will be retroactively awarded.
7. Awarding of credit is dependant upon competition completing its obligations under this program.

Disclaimer

These Rules and Regulations are subject to change as needed to further refine, define, and enhance the program. Applications will be judged according to the Rules and Regulations in force at the time the application is postmarked or transmitted to the IPSF. Visit the PoleSports.org for the latest Rules and Regulations

IPSF Competition Event Recognition Program Application

Please print legibly. Unreadable applications will be returned.

Date of Application _____

Competition Information

Name of Competition _____

Address of Competition _____

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Region encompassed by Competition _____

Name of Organizer _____

Address of Organizer _____

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Phone of Organizer _____ Email _____

Name of Event 1 _____ Date of Event _____

Name of Event 2 _____ Date of Event _____

Name of Event 3 _____ Date of Event _____

Name of Event 4 _____ Date of Event _____

Name of Event 5 _____ Date of Event _____

Name of Event 6 _____ Date of Event _____

Method of Participant Selection (attach additional pages if necessary)

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Method of Judging (attach additional pages if necessary)

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Name, email, and qualifications of Judges (attach additional pages if necessary)

Judge 1 - _____

Judge 2 - _____

Judge 3 - _____

Judge 4 - _____

Judge 5 - _____

Judge 6 - _____

IPSF Competition Event Recognition Program Results Record

FOR IPSF USE ONLY

Name of Competition _____

Date of Competition _____ Date of Recognition _____

Competition Level - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

IPSF Region _____

On-site IPSF Representative _____

Event 1 - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

1st Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

2nd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

3rd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

Event 2 - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

1st Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

2nd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

3rd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

Event 3 - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

1st Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

2nd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

3rd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

Event 4 - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

1st Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

2nd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

3rd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

Event 5 - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

1st Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

2nd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

3rd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

Event 6 - ☐ Bronze ☐ Silver ☐ Gold

1st Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

2nd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___

3rd Place _____ Country _____ Credit ___