



## **501.1. General**

IAC Championship events are defined as events involving direct expenditure of club funds, that are run in the name of the International Aerobatic Club, and that involve the awarding of prestigious and significant titles in the aerobatic community.

## **501.2. Policy**

The IAC Board of Directors has the authority to establish the following areas of control for all IAC Championship events.

### **501.2.1. Approval of Contest Director**

The appointment of all IAC Championship event Contest Directors will be made by the IAC Board of Directors in ample time to perform their responsibilities. The Contest Directors may be asked to make periodic reports to the Board on event planning. The President will act as the liaison between the Board and the Contest Directors.

### **501.2.2. Budget**

The IAC Finance Committee establishes the budget for IAC Championship events as part of the annual budgeting process and with the final approval of the Board of Directors. The Contest Directors of IAC Championship events are expected to observe these budgetary limits and report any extraordinary anticipated expenses to the IAC Executive Director.

### **501.2.3. Contest Juries**

The Contest Jury will be selected in accordance with IAC Policy and Procedures Manual, Section 506.

### **501.2.4. Contest Staff**

501.2.4.1. The Contest Directors for all IAC Championship events have the authority to select contest officials (Key Volunteer Group – KVG). With the exception of the Jury Chair,



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who must be approved by the IAC Executive Committee (see Section 506), IAC Board of Directors' approval of contest officials is not required.

- 501.2.4.2. The Contest Director, Chief Judges, and other members of the KVG will be provided with a prepaid single-occupancy room at one of the official contest hotels for the duration of the competition, at the sole discretion of the IAC Board of Directors and within the limits of the budget approved by the Board.

**501.2.5. Dates and Location**

The IAC Board of Directors will establish the dates and locations for all IAC Championship events.

**501.2.6. Establishment of Supplemental Rules and Policies**

The IAC Board of Directors has the authority to establish supplemental rules to the *IAC Official Contest Rules* and supplemental policies for IAC Championship events.

**501.3. Event Administration**

- 501.3.1. The Contest Directors for all IAC Championship events will be responsible for overall contest administration including all duties and responsibilities delegated to contest staff.
- 501.3.2. IAC Headquarters will be responsible for administration of all special events and activities peripheral to the administration of the contest itself including all duties and responsibilities delegated to event staff.

**501.4. Judges**

Judges will be selected for each category of competitions in the following manner:

- 501.4.1. All National Judges, and those Regional Judges who have logged 250 or more flights, as published in the IAC Contest Database (IACCDB) at the end of the previous contest year, will be invited to judge at the U.S. Nationals. Judges who accept the invitation will provide their category preferences and also indicate whether they will



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be competing and if so, in what category.

- 501.4.2. After the deadline for responses has closed, those Judges who have responded will be reviewed by the Contest Jury, the Chief Judges, and the Judges Program Chair. In this review, currency (IAC Rule 2.6.3) and any information regarding judge performance that the Jury, Chief Judges, and Judges Chair can provide will be evaluated.
- 501.4.3. Based on these evaluations, the Judges Program Chair will assemble a final list of Judge assignments by category to the Championships Contest Director and Volunteer Coordinator. The assignments will take into account the need for adequate rest and time for those who are both flying and judging. The Volunteer Coordinator will have the task of contacting all of the Judges on the category panels. The list of Judges will be published in IAC media prior to the event.
- 501.4.4. The Contest Director will schedule a Judge Refresher Course covering the *IAC Official Contest Rules*, judging criteria, and specific procedures related to judging at the Championships. This Judge Refresher Course will be conducted by the IAC Judges Program Chair or their designee immediately prior to the start of the Championship. All judges who will be judging the Championship will be required to attend.