

# Contest Rules

## WCMX

Qualification mode and judging rules for all national, transregional and regional competitions, championships and championship series

# 1 Implementation directive:

## 1.1 General:

### 1.1.1 Field of application:

The contest rules WCMX of the DRS e.V. are applicable for all national, transregional and regional competitions, championships and championship series. The competition includes the period from the first official training to the conclusion of the closing ceremony.

### 1.1.2 Competition management:

The competition management consists of the event manager and the judge commission.

### 1.1.3 Start classes:

The following classifications and requirements apply:

#### Division 1 - Open:

Everyone who qualifies can ride in the open class

The rider displays advanced WCMX skills and must complete bigger and more challenging tricks than Divisions 3, 4 & 5.

The rider must go beyond the intermediate benchmarks and show a range of tricks of the following categories: rail & coping grinds, advanced manual variations, flips, spins and handplants, should the skatepark allow.

The rider should integrate each element of the course at least once, but also use the skatepark to its full extent.

#### Division 2 - Women:

For female riders who do not want to start in Division 1 – Open or Division 3 – Intermediates.

The rider displays advanced WCMX skills.

The rider should integrate each element of the course at least once.

Riders must not have assistance on a trick itself, but may use a spotter provided by the event organizer. Should the spotter touch the rider or assist him in any way, deductions will be made at the judges' discretion. Riders may use a pusher provided by the event organizer only to get up ramps and/or out of the bowl.

#### Division 3 – Intermediates (men & women):

For riders who do not meet the requirements for Division 1 – Open or do not want to compete in Division 2 – Women.

Riders must show command over wheelchair skills, manuals and variations, carving and drop-ins.

Riders must not have assistance on a trick itself, but may use a spotter provided by the event organizer. Should the spotter touch the rider or assist him in any way, deductions will be made at the judges' discretion. Riders may use a pusher provided by the event organizer only to get up ramps and/or out of the bowl.

#### **Division 4 – Intermediates under 16 years (boys & girls):**

For riders under 16 years who do not meet the requirements for Division 1 – Open or do not want to compete in Division 2 – Women or Division 3 – Intermediates. Riders must show command over wheelchair skills, manuals and variations, carving and drop-ins.

Riders must not have assistance on a trick itself, but may use a spotter provided by the event organizer. Should the spotter touch the rider or assist him in any way, deductions will be made at the judges' discretion. Riders may use a pusher provided by the event organizer only to get up ramps and/or out of the bowl.

#### **Division 5 – Kids (boys & girls):**

For riders under 16 years who do not meet the requirements for Division 1 – Open or Division 4 – Intermediates under 16 years or do not want to compete in Division 2 – Women or Division 3 - Intermediates.

Riders must show command over wheelchair skills.

Riders must not have assistance on a trick itself, but may use a spotter provided by the event organizer. Should the spotter touch the rider or assist him in any way, deductions will be made at the judges' discretion. These deductions will be more lenient than in the higher classes. Riders may use a pusher provided by the event organizer.

#### **1.1.4 Change of assignment to a start class:**

The competition management reserves the right to change the assignment of riders to a start class or to bar them from the competition if not meeting the minimum requirements. In case of a change of the start class the participant must pay the difference of the participation fee on site, if applicable.

The best placed riders of a division will be assigned one class higher.

Should a start class not take place due to insufficient registrations of participants (at least 4 participants per start class), the registered athlete has the possibility to participate and to be judged in the next higher start class. In this case the difference of the participation fee, if applicable, does not have to be paid.

#### **1.1.5 Additional classification:**

The competition management may schedule and execute an additional classification, but must communicate this in the announcement.

#### **1.1.6 Run time and implementation:**

The run time may vary from competition to competition and will be determined after evaluation of the skatepark. General guidance for organizers is a run time of 120 seconds. All riders will be informed about the exact run time prior to competition. Each rider will perform 2 runs, the run with the lower score will be discarded.

### **1.2 Foreign competitors:**

#### **1.2.1 General:**

Generally, a foreign competitor can participate in and become the winner of championships in Germany (in all start classes), provided that the events are announced as open competitions.

If the competition is announced as open German championship, the best ranked German competitor will become German champion.

#### **1.2.2 Qualification for European events:**

A foreigner without German citizenship cannot become member of the national team [WCMX Team Germany] and therefore also will therefore, if applicable (where required), not receive eligibility for European or international events like European Championships or the Paralympic Games, for instance.

#### **1.2.3 Competitors with dual nationality:**

If a competitor has dual nationality, he must, if applicable (where required), decide for which nation he wants to start. As a matter of principle, he will then have to start for at least 3 years for the designated nation. Exception: Both responsible organizations find a mutual consent.

### 1.3 Anti-doping

The terms of the World Anti Doping Agency (WADA) resp. the National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) are applicable in their current version. Tests are possible at any time.

## 2 Implementation of competitions:

### 2.1 Behavioral code for participants:

Each participant of a transregional or regional WCMX competition or WCMX championship/championship series must have performed the registration personally. For participants under 18 years confirmation of a parent/legal guardian is required.

Instructions of the officials are mandatory for all participants.

Each participant must take part in at least one official training. A deviation of this may be permitted upon written request (e-mail).

Competitors and companions are only allowed to stay on the areas declared for them.

Special markers (e. g. with wristbands) for participants and non-participants are recommended.

Contraventions as well as unsportsmanlike actions may be penalized with disqualification from the contest. The decision on disqualification will be taken by the competition management.

Objections against decisions must be entered within 48 hours in written form (by e-mail or per post) to the management of the WCMX division as well as the competition management.

The management of the WCMX division will then, if needed after hearing the persons involved, decide whether and in which extent an adjustment to the results will be necessary. A competition cannot be repeated due to a misdetermination.

### 2.2 Competition management:

The competition management consists of:

- a) the event manager
- b) the judge commission

The event manager is responsible for:

- a) compliance with the competition
- b) schedule
- c) determination of access areas and definition of access authorization in consultation with the WCMX division of the DRS e. V. and securing the implementation  
e. g. skatepark: only athletes, pushers/spotters, judges, event management, official representatives of associations
- d) proper condition of the venue

For every event, first aid must be ensured at least by qualified first aiders.

### 2.3 Starting order:

The starting order for all competitions must be drawn randomly by lots or computer based.

For competitions with heats only the starting order for the heats will be drawn randomly by lots or computer based. The starting order for the final runs arises from the reversed ranking of the heats (first place will be the last one to start).

The announcement of the starting order must take place prior to the respective runs.

### 2.4 Results:

All results of a competition must be announced in written form with indication of the achieved scores and rankings.

### 2.5 Penalties:

Violations against the contest rules may be penalized with suspension from the respective competition, in serious cases also with suspension from further competitions. Infringement against the behavioral code as well as unsportsmanlike actions may also be penalized with suspension from competition.

### 3 Competition year and number of competitions:

Until January, 31st of each competition year, the following must be announced by the competition management and the event manager:

Is the respective event a WCMX competition or a WCMX championship or a WCMX championship series?

The competition year starts on January, 1st and ends on December, 31st of each calendar year. In case of a championship series, at least 3 competitions per discipline should be offered within this German championship series during one competition year.

In conclusion, a final competition in the German championship series will take place upon which an overall champion for each start class will be determined. The one who has achieved the highest score during the entire championship series will be German champion.

Das Wettkampffahr beginnt am 1.1. und endet jeweils am 31.12. eines jeweiligen Kalenderjahres. Im Falle einer Meisterschaftsserie sollen für jede Disziplin im Laufe eines Wettkampffjahres mindestens 3 Wettkämpfe innerhalb dieser Deutschen Meisterschaftsserie angeboten werden.

Als Abschluss findet eine Finalentscheidung der Deutschen Meisterschaftsserie statt, wobei in jeder der Startklasse (Division) ein Gesamtsieger ermittelt wird. Deutscher Meister ist, wer in der gesamten Wettkampffserie die höchste Punktezahl erreicht hat.

### 4 Scoring system and judging:

#### 4.1 Scoring system and judging per competition in championship series:

1.	1000	21.	200	41.	80
2.	900	22.	190	42.	75
3.	800	23.	180	43.	70
4.	750	24.	170	44.	65
5.	700	25.	160	45.	60
6.	650	26.	155	46.	55
7.	600	27.	150	47.	50
8.	550	28.	145	48.	45
9.	500	29.	140	49.	40
10.	475	30.	135	50.	35
11.	450	31.	130	51.	30
12.	425	32.	125	52.	25
13.	400	33.	120	53.	20
14.	375	34.	115	54.	15
15.	350	35.	110	55.	10
16.	325	36.	105	56.	9
17.	300	37.	100	57.	8
18.	275	38.	95	58.	7
19.	250	39.	90	59.	6
20.	225	40.	85	60.+	5

#### 4.2 Scoring system and judging per judge:

benchmark		
85-100	points	Must have been particularly good!
65-84	points	above-average run
46-64	points	average run
25-44	points	below-average run
0-25	points	poor run

## 5 Competition disciplines:

Discrepancies from the following rules, judgings and condition of areas and setups must be approved and declared in the announcement by the management of the WCMX division of the DRS e.V. Special disciplines (e. g. bowl) may be possible for individual competitions, but will only be executed without taking the scores into account for the evaluation of the German championship (series).

### 5.1 General:

The judge commission for all disciplines consists of 3 or 5 judging judges.

One person who may also judge and will neutrally rate the other judges will be declared head judge for the entire competition. The head judge must have experience in WCMX and knowledge of the effects of different disabilities.

The judges must have experience in the evaluation of contests and knowledge of the rules. They should be familiar with the standards of the respective disciplines, experienced skaters or involved a lot in WCMX.

After the first run of an elimination the judges should consult each other and determine a mutual scoring for the first starter to have a benchmark for the following starters. Thereafter, each judge evaluates on his own. The judging should meet the following criteria:

- Amplitude: How high and/or far a rider travels on airs and gaps, measured from the bottom of the rear wheels. The higher/further a jump is executed, the more it will also affect the criteria risk and difficulty, but only when performed under control. Big jumps without control will have negative impact on the criterion execution as well as the overall score.
- Execution: How good, clean and controlled a rider completes his tricks, including take-off, landing and falls. Wheelchair control and upper body stability are a major factor in this score. Touching or dragging the hand on the ground will not be considered a fall, but will have negative effect on the score, if this is not part of a trick.
- Difficulty: Jumping higher, adding rotations, shifties, upper body combos on rail features, spins, grinds, carves, etc.
- Variety: Not repeating the same trick, spinning and carving in different directions, corked flips, different rail slides, etc.
- Quantity: How many tricks a rider performs. But not only the mere number of tricks will count, tricks which are not executed cleanly will have negative impact on the score.
- Progression: Performing tricks which are new and highly advanced for the level of the contest. Difficult tricks, tricks which have never been performed before or older tricks done in a new way.
- Risk: Additional amplitude in a trick also increases the risk. Execution of several very difficult tricks back to back or an extremely difficult trick at the beginning of a run, and tricks which require more balance will also have a positive effect on the rider's risk score.
- Combinations: Linking tricks together, e. g. air to one-wheel manual, one-wheel-spin to drop-in, etc.
- Course use: Consideration of the overall run, energy and use of the entire course. Beginning at start, integration of every available element of the course, execution of as many tricks as possible and not ending the run ahead of time.
- Falls and instabilities: Deduction directives will be applicable, based on which each judge will determine the level of fall or instability observed. Judges reward riders for their run first and then apply a deduction per fall/instability.

Deduction range for skatepark contests:

- Minor mistakes: Body instability during a trick, slight touch of an obstacle with the hand for stabilization
  - Medium mistakes: Hand touch/drag on the ground, heavy touch of an obstacle with the hand for stabilization
  - Major mistakes: Complete falls and falls which require assistance to upright the chair)
- Degree of impairment/disability: Effects of impairment/disability on the execution of tricks.

For the scoring, 0-100 points will be awarded, on 2 runs the better one will count.

benchmark

85-100	points	must have been particularly good!
65-84	points	above -average run
46-64	points	average run
25-44	points	below-average run
0-25	points	poor run

With 3 judges, value of all scorings will be averaged to 2 decimal places.

With 5 judges, the highest and the lowest scores will be discarded for each starter. The remaining scores are averaged to 2 decimal places. On level score, the following 'special score rule' applies:

The athlete with the highest sum of all 5 scorings receives an extra point (special score).

Example „special score rule“:

rank	name	1. judge	2. judge	3. judge	4. judge	5. judge	overall	score	special score
1	x	55	48	50	52	62	267	52.33	52.33+1
2	y	50	60	64	32	47	253	52.33	52.33

red = score will be discarded!

green = overall score of all 5 judges!

yellow = score according to official rules (worst and best scores discarded)

grey = special score rule (score+1)

## 5.2 Protective gear:

For all contests wearing a helmet is mandatory. Wearing complete protective gear (fullface helmet, knee and elbow pads, and back and neck protection as appropriate) is not mandatory, but recommended depending on trick and performance level.

## 5.3 Run repetitions:

Should a rider be significantly disturbed during his run, he can request a repetition, if he reclaims the disturbance upon occurrence and aborts the run. The decision is the respective head judge's responsibility. Should the rider end his run without reclamation, a repetition is impossible.

## 5.4 Disciplines:

There are no general regulations for the condition of particular areas and ramps, only recommendations.

The standards for individual ramps underlie occasional changes and will be adapted accordingly if necessary.

### 5.4.1 Overall:

Possible elements of the course are for example:

Pyramid, curb, rail, stairs, ledges, bank, quarter, jump ramp, funbox, kicker and many more. A run has a timeframe of 120 seconds. Time and competition cycle may be adapted by the competition management up to one day prior to the competition.

Competition cycle:

run	mode	sec. per run	number of runs	participants	qualifications
eliminations	single run	120	2	80	30
quarter finals	single run	120	2	30	12
semi finals	single run	120	2	12	5
finals	single run	120 + last trick	2	5	

The last 30 seconds of a run must be announced or signaled by a sound/chime.

#### 5.4.2 Bowl:

The bowl should have at least one roll-in besides a drop-in.  
A run has a timeframe of 45 seconds. Time and competition cycle may be adapted by the competition management up to one day prior to the competition.

Competition cycle:

run	mode	sec. per run	number of runs	participants	qualifications	Notiz
eliminations	single run	45	2	80	30	
quarter finals	single run	45	2	30	12	
semi finals	single run	45	2	12	5	
finals	single run	45	2	5		

The last 10 seconds of a run must be announced or signaled by a sound/chime.

#### 5.5 Implementation changes:

Implementation changes for individual disciplines (mode, number of runs, cuts, etc.) may be jointly regulated on-site upon consultation of host and judge commission! This must be announced prior to competition.

#### 5.6 Additional disciplines:

Upon consultation of the management of the WCMX division of the DRS e. V., the hosting of additional disciplines is possible for individual contests. These additional disciplines must be declared by the host in the announcement.

  
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