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## ONE – LOFT – RACE

Information for the FCI and National Federations and the applicants

### **RULES FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP Mundial Ranking (World Ranking Championship ) OF ONE LOFT RACES 2017-2018**

While the World Championship by country is still being held until this day, at the Olympiad in Basel – Switzerland it was decided to start organizing FCI Grand Prix One Loft Races for individual pigeon fanciers, and ever since it has been a very big success, and consequently the FCI will continue promoting such competitions.

#### **1. WHAT IS REQUIRED WHEN APPLYING TO ORGANIZE AN FCI ONE LOFT RACE:**

**A. To be able to be selected by the FCI Grand Prix Commission the Organizer has to have the authority of the National Federation of his Country who in turn is affiliated to the FCI. In a single year a maximum of 4 races can be approved for a country.**

**B. Once the federation of a country has given the permission to the loft of this country to participate for the FCI Mundial Ranking (World Ranking Championship), they cannot cancel this permission during the time of the competition when the organisation is in line with all the rules.**

**C. For the approval of a loft, the commission must take into consideration the previous results of the race applicant.**

**The owner of the loft is obliged to send a letter to the FCI Grand Prix Commission whereby he declares that he has read the rules and accepts them as they are.**

#### **2. RULES FOR THE APPROVAL OF AN ORGANISATION**

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- A. To be in line with the Statute of the FCI, the rules of sport and sanitary of the FCI.**
- B. To be valid for points, there must be an inscription of about 500 pigeons from 80 fanciers.**
- C. For the final race there should be at least 25% pigeons present of the originally entered pigeons.**
- D. The races which count for points for the WORLD Ranking Championship (Mundial Ranking) FCI 2017-2018 will be considered closed when 25 % of the basketed pigeons have arrived.**  
When after the first day the race is not closed, it will be closed the second day, the latest at 8:00PM even when less than 25% of the basketed pigeons have arrived.  
A list (in xls format) needs to be send to Frans Hermans  
[frans.fcigrandprix@yahoo.com](mailto:frans.fcigrandprix@yahoo.com) within 24 hours of the closing of the race.
- E. Must have a second clock in case of failure of the system. To have also sufficient batteries as a possible power outage. If they also put the rubber rings on, they can have a normal clock as a second clock. The first 6-10 pigeons have to be controlled, it is possible to clock again when necessary.**
- F. For the basketing it is obliged to use an official club antenna. All ring numbers need to be checked by de FCI delegate, all pigeons need to be stamped in the wing with the provided FCI stamp. All baskets on the truck need to be sealed with the provided FCI seals. Basketing can only start after the arrival of the FCI delegate.**
- G. The money to pay to the FCI for the support of the race is € 1.00 per pigeon entered in the race, including the not activated pigeons and also including pigeons entered by non FCI affiliated fanciers. This money has to be paid within 30 days after receiving the invoice.**
- H. The FCI appoints a delegate for the control in each final contest. Travel expenses, hotel, food etc., will be paid by the organizer for the delegate. The appointed delegate cannot compete under his own name in a race he controls.**

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**I. The delegate will supervise the basketing of the pigeons. He needs to control the seals. He needs to receive the meteorological circumstances to take a decision for the liberation. He needs to control the first arrived pigeons.**

**J. The organizers have to let the FCI representative examine anything that he wants to check before and during the race.**

### **3. RULES FOR THE PARTICIPANTS OF ONE LOFT RACES.**

- A. Only pigeon fanciers that are associated to countries that are members of the FCI can participate in the championship. The winners of these races will be controlled and if found that they are not members of their Country's Federation, member of the FCI, they will be disqualified and loose the prize.**
- B. The organizers of a one loft race must be authorised by their national federation or association.**
- C. Only organizers of one loft races who are ready to abide to the FCI rules will be considered.**
- D. Any pigeon fancier can participate in all the lofts or the lofts he prefers. Payment of the registration fee is to be determined by each organizer.**
- E. On the final race each organizer of one loft race will present three trophies to the first 3 winners. These will be sponsored by the FCI to a total amount of €100,00.**
- F. It was decided that the World Champion will be declared every year. The trophies will be presented at the Olympiad every 2 years.**
- G. In order to elect a World Champion, the FCI will take the four best scores from four different races during that year. A maximum of 2 of these scores can come from races in his own country.**
- H. There will be also each year a World Champion over the 2 best scores from two different races during that year, and to win this, the fancier has to race two races. A maximum of 1 of these scores can come from races in his own country.**

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- I. There will be a trophy for the most prices over 2 years.
- J. The FCI Trophies will be presented to the winners at the next Olympiad.
- K. The Carlos Marquez Prats Memorial Trophy will be presented at the next Olympiad to the fancier with the 4 best results over two years. A maximum of 2 of these scores can come from races in his own country.

### **4. SHIPMENT OF PIGEONS TO AN ORGANISATON.**

- A. The pigeons have to be shipped to the respective lofts in strong official boxes, with veterinary certificates and all documents, according to the country's requirements.
- B. Very important that all data sent by participants must be very clear and the name must be the same for all races. The pigeons need to be vaccinated against Paramyxovirus at least 10 days before the shipping date. Certificates of the veterinary need to accompany the pigeons. The one who collects the pigeons will refuse them without certificate.
- C. The organisations have to send a copy of the list (in xls format) of all the entered pigeons immediately after the closing date of the inscriptions to: Frans Hermans [frans.fcigrandprix@yahoo.com](mailto:frans.fcigrandprix@yahoo.com).

### **5. VETERINARY**

The organizing loft needs to have a veterinarian who will control the pigeons and be responsible for the good health of the pigeons.

### **6. TRANSPORT AND TRAINING**

- A. The pigeons must be in robust boxes and in the case of competitions counting towards the FCI these boxes need to be sealed.
- B. It is important that the young pigeons learn how to drink when in the basket, so it

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is advisable to give them water also when tossing from 10km. The best way is to basket them the evening before the training and give them water.

**C. The pigeons must have water at their disposal in troughs. But most important is the time of waiting to teach the pigeons to drink. Provide the pigeons water also with the training tosses  $\pm$  40 km or more.**

**D. Prior to the release of any training or contest the pigeons must rest at the release point. We advise to wait an hour before releasing up to 100km, 2 hours for trainings between 100km and 300km and 3 hours for races/trainings longer than 300km.**

**E. Instructions for training distances during the last 2 weeks before the final race: 75% of the final race distance 2 weeks before the final race and a short training of maximum 120km 1 week before the final race.**

### **7. LIBERATION OF THE FINAL RACE.**

**A. The liberation will be made when the meteorological conditions are good. It is possible to establish a buffer period of one to three days, eventually 1 week.**

**B. One should maintain the original distance which was mentioned for the one loft final races, and this distance may not be modified ( 300-500 km.) However, this distance can only be changed, due to bad weather conditions, when the appointed delegate of FCI agrees. The distance can never be lower than 300km.**

**C. The responsible person for the liberation, the organizer and the delegate of the FCI decide the liberation. For the release a voting system between these 3 people is used. A release is decide on a simple majority.**

**D. The responsible person for the liberation needs to have a proof of the release, confirmed by the chief of the transport and by some trusted person at the release point.**

**E. The organiser has to give the names of the people responsible for the basketing to the delegate of the FCI.**

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### 8. SUSPENSION OR CONTEST CANCELLATION.

The cause for cancellation of a competition to score World Championship points are the following:

- A. The failure to abide to the FCI regulations.
- B. Preventing access to facilities and inspection by delegates authorized by the FCI.
- C. Non-payment of the fee (€1.00 per pigeon) allocated to each one loft. These fee will need to be paid within 30 days after the last acceptance of birds to the loft. An invoice will be sent to the organisation. No payment before the final race, we can cancel for the points.
- D. Non-payment of travel, hotel and food expenses of the Delegate of the FCI.
- E. Not providing the results of the contest within 24 hours after the closing of the race.
- F. Failure of payment of the money to the winners within the 3 months after the final race.

### 9. AWARDING THE POINTS.

Price x 1000

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Pigeons basketed x Distance

I.E.  $8 \times 1000 / 500 \times 350 \text{ km.} = 0.045$

A. Fanciers or tandems can register up to 12 pigeons in a single race. Should you have more than 12 pigeons in the race, they will be split up in team A, B etc. Take care that the name you participate with is the same for team A B C etc. and also the same in all different races. If you fail to indicate during the original registration of the birds which belong to which team, then the organisation will automatically take the 12 pigeons with the lowest ring numbers in team A and so on. A name can be joined with a common group name, but the name of the fancier or tandem will

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always precede the name of the group. The name starts with first name followed by family name: i.e. Carlos Prats – team FCI.

**B. Only the 1<sup>st</sup> pigeon from every fancier counts for the points.**

**C. When a fancier cannot send pigeons to the one loft race due the international restrictions, the fanciers from other continents can participate by sending rings that are registered in their own country to be rung on pigeons breed in the country were the race will be held**

**D. In case of any complaint, please send a mail to [frans.fcigrandprix@yahoo.com](mailto:frans.fcigrandprix@yahoo.com) within 2 weeks after the publication on the website.**

### **10. HONORARY AWARDS**

**A. The entry fee of the pigeons is to be paid by the fancier to the organizers of the one loft race.**

**B. When a race is cancelled by the FCI, the result does not count for the World Ranking Championship ( Mundial Ranking). However, it will still count for the prizes offered by the Organizers.**

**C. The FCI Awards will be:**

**Trophy and gold medal for the winner**

**Trophy and silver medal for the second**

**Trophy and bronze medal to the third**

**Diploma and medals to the top 10 classified.**

**The cost for trophies and medals will be at the expense of the FCI.**

**D. Each Olympiad the Carlos Marquez Prats memorial Trophy will be awarded for the winner of the 4 best results over 2 years. The following price money is awarded for this competition: €500,00 for the first, €300,00 for the second and €200,00 for the third.**

**E. The award ceremony will take place at the Olympiad in **CITY, COUNTRY.****

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**F. It has also been decided that for every final race there will be 3 trophies for the winners. These trophies need to be bought by the organizers for maximum price of €100.00 for the 3 trophies. They will be given by the delegate of the FCI after the race. This trophy needs to have the logo of the FCI as on the right side of this letter. The invoice will be paid by the FCI Grand Prix.**

**The Mundial Ranking committee**

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