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2023 General Competition Rulebook and Standards for Internationally Sanctioned Competitions in Functional Fitness

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Part 1: Introduction

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Abbreviations and Definitions

The following abbreviations appear throughout this document:

CAS	Court of Arbitration for Sport
iF3	International Functional Fitness Federation
iF3C	iF3 Congress
IOC	International Olympic Committee
NF	National Federation
TC	Technical Committee
WADA	World Anti-Doping Agency

Rulebook Terminology Definitions

The following terms used in the iF3 rulebook have the definitions below.

Functional Fitness: a sport which tests athletes in a variety of movement patterns, activities, and energy systems in order to find the athlete which can display the broadest proficiency in the realms of endurance, strength, bodyweight, skill, mixed, and power.

Event: An overall functional fitness competition referred to in its entirety.

Heat: One instance of a competitive bout staged in multiple, serial occurrences.

iF3: Abbreviation for International Functional Fitness Federation. The international governing body for functional fitness as a competitive sport.

IOC: Abbreviation for the International Olympic Committee.

NF: Abbreviation for National Federation. A national federation is a national level governing body in a particular country. National Federations operate under and are members of iF3. Every country can have only one National Federation as recognized by the iF3.

Rule(s): refers to this rulebook or a specific rule within this rulebook or any other official iF3 rules, policies, safety, or movement standards documents.

Senior Level Competition: Refers to a Competitive Event where the competing athletes must be at least 18 years of age in order to compete unless an age exemption is granted. An athlete's age is determined as described in this rulebook.

Junior Level Competition: Refers to a Competitive Event where the athletes compete in designated age brackets between 13 and 20 years of age. An athlete's age is determined as described in this rulebook.

Test: A task or group of tasks, which result in a scored component in a Functional Fitness Competition

Task Component: A constituent part of a Test.

TC: Abbreviation for Technical Committee. Technical Committee is an overarching term that refers to the relevant subcommittees who are in charge of making sure all technical aspects of iF3 competitions are properly implemented. This includes adherence to all competition rules, movement and safety standards.

Test Category and Competition Related Definitions

The following terms describe specific components of functional fitness testing and have the definitions outlined below.

Endurance: one of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 individual and team sanctioned events; specifically, endurance refers to the athlete's ability to perform tasks which require an efficient exchange of oxygen in the blood. This test contains cyclical work. It tests the athlete's ability to pace, perform work, and recover quickly. Athletes train for this test by improving their movement efficiency and economy.

Bodyweight: one of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 individual and team sanctioned events; specifically, bodyweight refers to an athlete's ability to perform and sustain high repetitions and volume of movements where their own bodyweight is the load, while these movements are simultaneously mixed with cyclical movements.

Mixed: one of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 individual sanctioned events; specifically mixed refers to an athlete's ability to perform a variety of movement types that are combined together in succession. It tests the athlete's ability to transition between movements, perform movement variations, control pacing, and handle load variations.

Mixed Relays: one of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 team competition; specifically mixed relays test the athletes' mixed capacity and athletic recovery. There are two mixed relay tests in each iF3 team competition.

Power: One of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 individual sanctioned events; specifically, Power refers to the athlete's ability to perform a high demand of work in a short period of time. Tests of power are typically no more than 2 minutes long.

Skill: One of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 individual sanctioned events; specifically, skill refers to an athlete's ability to perform difficult or complex movements and elements that require a higher degree of technique or finesse to complete.

Strength: one of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 individual and team sanctioned events; specifically, strength refers to the athlete's ability to move a maximum a load. Strength tests are typically performed using a barbell.

Team Strategy: one of the core six tests evaluated in iF3 team competition; specifically team strategy tests the athletes' ability to work cohesively as a unit and come up with an effective plan which utilizes the various strengths of each member of the team.

Volume: refers to the cumulative load and/or work established for an individual and/or team to negotiate throughout an Event, or the cumulative load and/or work established for an individual and/or team to negotiate throughout a specific Athletic Task.

1.1 Purpose

1.1.1 The International Functional Fitness Federation (iF3) is the international governing body for functional fitness and is responsible for establishing and enforcing competition rules for functional fitness competitions sanctioned under the rules set forth in this rulebook.

1.1.2. The International Functional Fitness Federation Technical Committee (TC) will ensure technical aspects of iF3 competitions are of the highest quality.

1.1.3. The competition rules specify the conduct and behavior of athletes during iF3 competitions.

1.2 Intention

1.2.1. The Rules are intended to:

1. Create an atmosphere of sportsmanship, equality, and fair play;
2. Provide safety and protection;
3. Emphasize movement quality and skill without unduly limiting the athlete's freedom of action;
4. Penalize actions that otherwise confer an unfair advantage;

1.2.2. Definitions of specific body positions and movement standards used or referenced in the Rules are provided in the Movement Standards document. Any difficulty in the interpretation or application of Rules should be referred to

- If in competition, the Head Technical Official of the Event
- If out of or prior to competition, to the relevant Technical Committee Sub-Committee

1.3 Language and Communication

1.3.1. The official language of iF3 Events and Documents is English

1.3.2. The official measurement system for iF3 competitions will be the Metric system; all weights and distances will be listed using the Metric system. However, for the 2023 season, competitions may use weights and distances calculated under the Standard Measurement system as long as they are equal to or greater than the prescribed metric weights and distances.

1.3.3. Translated versions of the Rulebook or Movement Standards provided by a NF may be subject to translation errors. Any misinterpretations due to translation errors are not the responsibility of the iF3, and all participants will be held to the official iF3 rules.

1.4 Rule Adherence

1.4.1. An athlete shall not be permitted an advantage not intended by a rule, nor shall an athlete conduct him/herself in a dangerous way. To enforce this, infringements related to The Rules have a sanction attached. Officials base their judgments on whether an advantage, not intended by the Rules, has been gained. Please refer to section 2.6 for athlete sanctioning policies

1.4.2. iF3 Competition Rules will be applicable to international competitions hosted by National Federations (NFs) affiliated with iF3 and all events sanctioned by iF3.

1.5 Special Regulations

1.5.1. A Technical Delegate(s) or the iF3 Board may approve the addition of special regulations for a competition event, provided that:

1. Each additional special regulation does not conflict with another iF3 Competition Rule;
2. Each additional special regulation and the reasons for its inclusion are discussed with the Designated Competition Manager before the day on which the event is to be conducted; and
3. Each additional special regulation is announced as soon as practicable, but in no instance later than at the athletes' briefing.

1.5.2. Special Regulations are typically used to clarify athlete movement patterns on the field of play, clarify additional requirements surrounding handling or movement of equipment, and clarifying any unclear standards.

1.6 Disputes

1.6.1 Prior to competing in iF3 International events, athletes must sign the iF3 Athletes' Agreement, which states that any dispute arising from the iF3 Rules that cannot be settled by its existing appeal procedure, shall be settled finally by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, to the exclusion of recourse to ordinary courts. Once signed, the iF3 Athletes' Agreement is valid until the athlete leaves the iF3 International Athlete Pool or until a new agreement is signed, whichever occurs first.

1.7 Unauthorized Exceptions or Additions

1.7.1. The unauthorized exception to, or addition of a Competition Rule will prevent an event from being sanctioned and will invalidate a sanction that has already been granted to an event. Please note that this could result in legal complications, particularly in the case of accidents during the event and in subsequent requests for approval from NFs and/or municipal authorities to use land or property under their jurisdiction. Insurance authorities have also warned that claims made under such circumstances may be considered invalid.

1.8 Rule Updates

1.8.1. The Rules may be changed from time to time by the TC at its discretion, with the approval of the iF3 Executive Board. Any such rule change(s) shall be advised in writing to affiliated NFs at least 30 days before taking effect. Updated iF3 Competition Rules will be posted on the iF3 website.

1.8.2 At a minimum, there will be an annual publication of the rulebook.

1.8.3. The iF3 reserves the right to make changes to the Rulebook or Movement Standards at any time if the safety of the athletes or integrity of the sport so requires.

1.8.4 Due to the ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic, the iF3 reserves the right to change 2023 competitive events at any time from in-person to virtual, to decrease the number of athletes, support staff, and/or spectators allowed at an in-person competition, and/or to require participants to engage in certain health and safety protocols prior to and during competition in order to keep competitions safe for athletes and to comply with Covid-19 regulations, laws, or any other unforeseen or uncontrollable circumstances.

1.9 Intellectual Property

1.9.1 iF3 Events are the exclusive property of iF3, which owns all rights associated including, without limitation, the rights to organize, exploit, broadcast and reproduce iF3 Events. These rights include any type of digital or analogue media, or any form of media not yet created, invented, or thought of, whether that is photographic or video in nature, captured from within the boundaries of the field of play, regardless of ownership of the capturing device.

1.9.2 iF3 retains an irrevocable license to use personal data from all athletes entered into any iF3 event as well as the data produced from the event, including the results.

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2.1 General Conduct

2.1.1. Competition tactics are part of the interaction between athletes. However athletes are required to:

1. Practice good sportsmanship at all times;
2. Adhere to the intent of a rule when the exact wording of the rule may be interpreted in various ways;
3. Be responsible for their own safety and not knowingly or willfully compromise the safety of others;
4. Know, understand and follow the Rules available from their NFs and through iF3;
5. Obey instructions from competition officials;
6. Treat other athletes, officials, volunteers, media, sponsors and spectators with respect and courtesy;
7. Not use abusive, derogatory or inflammatory language;
8. Inform the appropriate event staff immediately upon withdrawing from the competition. In case an athlete fails to do this before the end of the event, it may result in a suspension;
9. Compete without receiving outside assistance;
10. Refrain from ambush marketing;
11. Not attempt to gain unfair advantage in any way.

2.2 Drug Abuse

2.2.1 By entering their name and/or competing in any iF3 Event, athletes are agreeing to follow iF3 Anti-Doping Rules; The Anti-Doping Rules may be updated between iF3 Sanctioned Events. Athletes are expected to follow and understand the most current version of the Anti-Doping Rules. Additionally, athletes understand that by competing in iF3 Events they become part of the iF3 International Athlete Pool and may be subject to both in and out of competition drug testing.

2.2.2 All athletes are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the iF3 Anti-Doping Rules, including medical and doping control tests, testing obligations, rights, responsibilities and procedures, penalties and appeal processes, and prohibited substances.

2.2.3 iF3 Anti-Doping Rules abide by rules set by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code. The current iF3 Anti-Doping Rules are available on the iF3 Website or upon direct request to the iF3.

2.3 Eligibility

2.3.1 Athletes under suspension are not allowed to compete in any iF3 event, in any competition sanctioned by iF3 members, or in any competition held under the iF3 Rules. The iF3 reserves the right to honor a suspension imposed on an athlete by another organization outside of iF3 jurisdiction; this includes doping sanctions given by other sports organizations.

2.3.2 Athletes competing in Junior or Masters level competition must compete in the appropriate age group. Athletes may not compete in "up" or "down" an age group. An athlete's age is determined by their age on December 31st in the year of competition.

2.3.3. Athletes competing in Senior/Open level competition may be any age. However, any athlete that is under 18 years of age and competing at the Senior/Open international level must, in the opinion of the athlete's National Federation, show adequate physical, mental, and emotional maturity to compete with older athletes.

2.3.4 Athletes in competition may represent a country only of which they are a citizen. A competitor who is a national of two countries at the same time may elect which country he or she will represent. However, once an athlete represents a country in international competition, that athlete may not switch their nationality to represent another country internationally unless and until they sit out from all competition representing their former country for a period of 1 year. An exemption to this 1 year period can be made if both the athlete's original and new National Federations agree to the exemption, and if the iF3 subsequently approves the exemption. When relevant to the particular competition, all rules in Olympic Charter Rule 41: Nationality of Competitors will apply.

2.4 Insurance

2.4.1 Each athlete competing in an iF3 event must have personal insurance coverage guaranteed by their NF. This insurance must cover:

1. Any accident traveling to, from, and/or occurring at the competition site before, during, and/or after any competition;
2. Any sickness that occurs traveling to, from, and/or occurring at the competition site before, during, and/or after any competition;
3. Liability caused by an athlete during the competition.

2.4.2 The athlete's NF guarantees the existence of this insurance by entering an athlete in an event.

2.5 Team Managers and Coaches

2.5.1 All teams competing in any sanctioned international competition are responsible for appointing a Team Manager prior to the start of the competition. The Team Manager may also be the coach but does not have to be. The Team Manager is responsible for supplying both the country's flag and a recording of the country's national anthem to the event organizers.

2.5.2 Competing individual athletes and teams may designate a coach to be in the warm up area with them for the competition. In international competition, countries may designate 1 coach per competing team and 1 coach per 3 competing individual athletes to be in the warm up area. These designation must be announced prior to the start of the competition.

2.5.3 Coaches may be asked to register with the iF3 prior to stepping into the warm up area of the competition. Any coaches working with athletes under the age of 18 may be subject to a background check upon registration.

2.5.4 There will be areas of the competition floor which will not be open to Coaches and Team Managers due to athlete safety concerns. All Coaches and Managers must obey all directions from competition staff and stay out of restricted areas.

2.6 Disqualification, Suspension, and Expulsion

2.6.1 Disqualification. A disqualification is a penalty appropriate for severe rule violations, such as but not limited to, interference with other athletes, or dangerous or unsportsmanlike conduct. A disqualified athlete shall be prohibited from participation in the competition for which the disqualification penalty is assessed. An Athlete may be disqualified by a Head Technical Official during an iF3 sanctioned event.

2.6.2 Suspension. A suspension is a penalty appropriate for fraudulent or very severe rule violations, such as but not limited to repeated dangerous or unsportsmanlike conduct. A suspended athlete shall be prohibited from competing in iF3 competitions or competitions sanctioned by national federations affiliated with iF3 during the suspension period. The iF3 Ethics Committee is responsible for imposing suspensions. Suspensions may also be imposed through the process described in the iF3 Anti-Doping rules.

2.6.3 Expulsion. An expulsion is a penalty appropriate for extraordinary rule violation including but not limited to repeated rule violations that incur suspension as the penalty. An expelled athlete shall be prohibited from participating in iF3 competitions and competitions sanctioned by NFs affiliated with the iF3 for life. The iF3 Ethics Committee is responsible for imposing Expulsions with final approval by the Executive Board.

2.6.4 Athletes who receive a disqualification, suspension, or expulsion have the right to submit an appeal in front of the iF3 Ethics Committee. Immediate requests for an onsite review of an appeal during a competition may not be granted due to event limitations or inability to convene a quorum of the Ethics Committee.

2.6.5 The iF3 reserves the right to reevaluate or vacate past wins, awards, or accumulated point totals in the case of fraudulent, severe, or extraordinary rule violations.

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3.1 General Competition Series

3.1.1 The iF3 will sanction a World Championships, a Junior World Championships, an iF3 Master's World Championships, an iF3 Asian Championships, and an iF3 European Championship for the 2023 season. See section 6.9 for information on specific competition format for each event.

3.1.2 The iF3 World Championship competition will consist of a minimum of six (6) scored Tests. Some Tests may be performed in immediate succession or have multiple scoring opportunities within the Test.

3.1.3. The iF3 is planning a Junior World Championship to be run independently from the iF3 World Championship event for the 13-14, 15-16, and 17-18 age categories. The 19-20 age category will compete at the iF3 World Championships.

3.1.4. Due to the Covid-19 global pandemic, the iF3 reserves the right to change the date, location, and/or format for any sanctioned events in the 2023 season in the interest of athlete health and safety. Events may also be converted to virtual events.

3.2 Scoring

3.2.1 Each competition will contain multiple individually scored Tests.

- 3.2.1.1 Tests may be scored by time to completion, total number of repetitions completed in a given time, for heaviest load completed, distance traveled, or some combination of these.
- 3.2.1.2 Scoring of certain athletic tasks may include deductions assessed as a penalty for failure to complete a compulsory component of the task. Event managers must announce which tasks are subject to such deduction penalties in advance of the event and in no case later than the first athlete briefing on the initial day of the event.

3.2.2 Athletes will be ranked based on their score for each respective test. An athlete's ranking or points total for each individual test will be added together to determine the athlete's overall ranking in the competition. A high score or low score format may be used.

3.2.3 If at the end of the competition two athletes are tied in the overall standings the tie will be broken using the following method:

- Of the tied athletes, the athlete that has the highest placing on any single test will win.
- If the tied athletes all have the same highest placing on a single test, the athlete with the highest placing from any of the remaining tests will be the winner. This procedure will continue looking at all 6 individual test scores until the tie is broken.
- If the tied athletes all have equal placings across all 6 tests, the tie will be broken by comparing the head to head results of the athletes when compared against each other. The athlete with more victories when compared head to head will be the winner.
- If after the end of this process the tie cannot be broken, the tie will remain and both athletes will be awarded the same overall placement.

3.3 Divisions

3.3.1 The World Championship event will contain three (3) Senior Level divisions in the 2022 season. There will be an Individual Female Division, an Individual Male Division, a mixed gender four person team division (two males and two females). The 19-20 Junior Division will also take place at the World Championships for the 2023 season.

3.3.2 The iF3 Masters World Championships will contain individual male and individual female divisions in the following age categories: 30-34; 35-39; 40-44; 45-49; 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65+

3.3.3 The iF3 Junior World Championships will contain individual male and individual female divisions in the following age categories: 13-14; 15-16; 17-18. (Note: 19-20 Juniors will compete at the World Championships for the 2023 season).

3.3.4 The iF3 European Championships and the iF3 Asian Championships will contain individual male and individual female divisions and a mixed gender pairs division.

3.4 Qualification to Worlds Championships (Seniors, Juniors, and Masters)

3.4.1 Each National Federation recognized by the iF3 will be invited to participate in each iF3 World Championship level event for 2023.

3.4.2 Each National Federation invited to participate will be responsible for selecting the athletes which will compete on behalf of their Federation and their country.

3.4.3 Each National Federation invited to participate will be allowed to select 3 individual Male athletes, 3 individual female athletes and 1 team of 4 (consisting of 2 male athletes and 2 female athletes) to compete at the World Championships, up to 3 individual male athletes and 3 individual female athletes in each age division for the Master's World Championships, and 3 individual boys and 3 individual girls for each age division in the Junior World Championships.

3.4.4 The host nation for the World Championships will be allowed to enter an additional 7 individual male and 7 individual female athletes into the competition for a total of 10 individual athletes per gender, for a total of 10 individual male athletes, 10 individual female athletes, and 1 team. The host nation will be allowed to add additional 19-20 athletes to that portion of the World Championships with approval from the iF3.

3.4.5 The host nations for the Masters World Championships and the Junior World Championships will be allowed additional Masters and Junior Athletes in an amount agreed upon by the iF3.

3.5 Qualification to Continental Championships (European and Asian)

3.5.1 For European Championships, European countries there were actively registered in the iF3 Membership Portal as of November 26th, 2022 will be allowed to enter 1 male and 1 female athlete for the competition. With the exception of the host nation, which may enter 2 males and 2 females. All athletes will compete individually in the Preliminary Round of Competition. The top 10 men and the top 10 women will qualify to the Final Round the following day. 11 countries will also receive athlete quotas for the pairs competition as explained in section 3.5.2 below. National Federations may select the athlete(s) they would like to invite to Europeans using any procedure they wish. A reserve list will be created of countries who did not originally earn quota spots. Should a country decline its spot, the spot will pass to the highest country on the reserve list. Should the reserve list become exhausted, countries will receive additional quota spots based on individual finishing order from the 2022 World Championships in each respective division.

3.5.2 For the European Championships Pairs Competition, only athletes which competed in the preliminary round are eligible for the pairs competition. 11 pairs will compete in the pairs competition. Each country may only enter 1 pairs team in the pairs competition, with the exception of the host country, which will be guaranteed 1 pairs spot in the competition, and is eligible to qualify a second pair. The remaining pairs quota spots are awarded by adding up the rank of the top finishing individual male athlete and the top finishing female athlete from each country after the preliminary round of competition. The 10 countries with the lowest total ranking that had at least 1 male and 1 female athlete compete in the preliminary round will earn a spot in the pairs competition. If a country had more than 1 athlete competing in any division of the individual competition, that country must select which of their athletes it will enter for the pairs competition. The country does not have to select the higher finishing athlete to compete.

3.5.3. If a country does not wish to accept its entry into the Pairs Competition, it must do so prior to the start of the final round of the individual competition. An exception to this rule will be made in the case of athlete injury. If a country declines its entry to the pairs competition the invite will pass down to the next country in the ranking list.

3.5.4. For the Asian Championships, all Federations located in the continent of Asia plus the National Federation for Australia are eligible to send up to 2 individual men, 2 individual women, and 2 mixed gender pairs to compete at the Asian Championships. The host nation will be eligible to send up to 6 individual men, 6 individual women, and 6 mixed gender pairs. Additional spots may be given out, if any countries decline their quota spots.

3.6 Officiating

3.6.1 Officiating at all iF3 sanctioned events will be performed by certified iF3 international technical officials.

3.6.2. iF3 Technical Officials are assigned roles according to their iF3 Technical Official Class

3.5.2.1 Class I and Class II Technical Officials

TO Class I: Class I is an entry level technical official position. TO's at this level are primarily responsible for accurate counting of completed repetitions and communication of "no reps" to athletes at IF3 events.

TO Class II: Class II is an experienced technical official position. TO's at this level have specific training around judging Junior athletes and Team competition. They are primarily responsible for accurate counting of completed repetitions and communication of "no reps" to athletes at IF3 events.

3.5.2.2 Class III Technical Officials

TO Class III: Class III includes the Event Head Technical Official. A Class III is responsible for the Athlete / Technical Official's briefing at the event, conducting TO Assessments of Class I and II TO's, and collecting feedback from TO's for an event debrief. Class III TO's are also responsible for handling Scoring Inquiries during an Event. Class III TO's also conduct training of Junior Level TO's as well as assessment delivery. They perform TO Assessments and provide feedback. Class III TO's also give an Event Debrief to Event Producers and the iF3 Board of Directors when required.

3.6.3 Any TO may perform in a role at or below their achieved Class depending on event needs

3.6.4 In order to advance to a higher Class TO Position, the TO must complete the required education and assessment as laid out in the iF3 Technical Official's pathway and associated documentation.

3.6.5 Specific rules and additional required tasks applicable to TO's and TO performance will be laid out in the TO Standards Manual.

3.7 Uniform

3.7.1. In international competition, athlete uniforms must contain either the name of the country the athlete represents, the accepted abbreviation for that country's name, the flag or national emblem of that country, or the logo or designation of the athlete's National Federation.

3.7.2. Any material covering the knees and/or elbows must be skin-tight. A compression top or tights/leggings, and tight fitting knee or elbow wraps are acceptable.

3.7.3. The use of weight belts, wrist wraps, knee sleeves or other supportive devices is allowed. Lifting straps that aid the grip are not allowed.

3.7.4. Gymnastics-style grips, including but not limited to dowel grips, are allowed. However, the use of any tacky or sticky material either on the hands or the bars is not allowed. The use of chalk is permitted.

3.7.5. Loose fitting shirts may not be so long or so loose as to impede the Technical Official's assessment of an open hip position or squat depth. Generally, loose fitting shirts should not be longer than 4 inches below the top of the hip bone.

3.7.6 Athletes must wear closed-toe shoes while competing unless otherwise specified in a special regulation. Weightlifting shoes are permitted. Unless specifically indicated via special regulation for a particular competition, spikes or cleats are not allowed.

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4.1 Scoring/Judging Inquiries

Scoring/Judging Inquiries are permitted in the following situations:

- a) there is a discrepancy between the athlete's score on the scorecard and the score showing on the competition leaderboard.
- b) interference with an athlete's performance occurred which was caused by another athlete, official, or staff member.
- c) equipment malfunction.
- d) other situations which relate to the athlete's own performance and do not involve appealing the judgment of a Technical Official on whether a repetition met the required movement standard.

Judgment calls of whether a repetition met the required movement standard are not appealable and cannot be subject to an inquiry. All scoring /judging inquiries must be conducted pursuant to the procedures set forth below.

4.1.1 If an athlete at any iF3 sanctioned event wants to inquire about his or her own score for a particular test, a score inquiry form must be submitted to the designated Appeals Committee for the competition.

4.1.2. Only two people may authorize an inquiry: the affected athlete and one onsite, noncompeting person from the National Federation designated at the start of the event.

4.1.3 No athlete, coach or team manager may initiate an inquiry about another athlete or team's performance.

4.1.4 Each inquiry shall be subject to a graduated inquiry fee. The fee for a first inquiry at an event is \$50 USD. The fee for a second inquiry at the same event is \$100 USD. The fee for a third inquiry at the same event is \$300 USD. For individual competition, the amount is calculated based on the number of inquiries for the specific athlete, not the number of inquiries for the National Federation as a whole. For team competition, the amount is calculated based on the number of inquiries for the team as a whole, not each specific athlete on the team. If the inquiry results in a modification of the athlete's score in favor of the athlete, the inquiry fee will not be charged to the party who initiates the inquiry. Any Inquiry fees due will be tracked during the event, and arrangements for the payment of any fee balance must be made by the relevant National Federation with the iF3 at the conclusion of the event. Athletes may be ineligible for medals and awards if a National Federation's inquiry balance remains outstanding at the conclusion of the event.

4.1.5 Review of video footage for the purpose of an inquiry is at the sole discretion of the Head Technical Official.

4.1.6 Once an inquiry is submitted, the athlete's performance is subject to *de novo* review: the performance may be reviewed in its entirety, and all evidence (video or otherwise) that a scoring error was made against or in favor of the inquiring athlete can be taken into account, which may result in the athlete's score being adjusted upward or downward accordingly.

4.1.7 Inquiries on a specific test must be submitted before the athlete performs the next test of the competition. If the inquiry is about the final test of the competition, then it must be submitted within ten (10) minutes of the final heat completing that test. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in competitions conducted in the HyperMedley format inquiries on any test shall be submitted as soon as is practicable, but in no case later than ten (10) minutes after completion of the final test.

4.1.8 All inquiries must be made with the athlete's permission, which is indicated by the athlete's signature on the inquiry form.

4.1.9 The iF3 reserves the right to adjust a score at any time of its own accord and without inquiry if it becomes aware that an inaccurate score was mistakenly awarded or incorrectly entered into the leaderboard platform.

Part 5: Sportsmanship and Fair Play

The iF3 believes that sportsmanship and fair play are key tenets of the sport. Behavior contrary to the notions of good sportsmanship and fair play by any competing athlete, their coach, or National Federation representative will be possible cause for eviction and disqualification from the competition.

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6.1 Competition Tests

The specific Tests, rules, special regulations, and any additional movement standards for each iF3 sanctioned competition during the 2023 competition season will be released in a Competition Test Announcement prior to the competition start date.

6.2 Movements Available for Inclusion

All movements that are eligible to be included in the 2023 competition season are listed in the general movement standards document, which is available in print and through the iF3 website. If a movement is not listed in the movement standards section of the rulebook it is not available for inclusion in competition workouts during the 2023 competition season unless added through a special regulation (see 1.5 Special Regulations).

6.3 Requests for New Movements

The Technical Officials' Committee will review requests for new movements to be added to the movement standards index for the following season upon the conclusion of the current season. The iF3 Congress (iF3C) is responsible for submitting such requests to the Technical Officials' Committee. After reviewing the request, the Technical Officials' Committee will submit their recommendation for inclusion or exclusion along with any relevant movement standards to the Executive Board for approval. The Technical Officials' Committee may also submit a new movement for approval to the Board, even if it has not been suggested by the Congress, if in the view of the Committee inclusion of the movement enhances the sport.

6.4 Time Limits and Caps

Time limits may be established for certain tests for each competition. These limits shall be published upon the release of that competition's specific tests.

6.5 Competition Structure

6.5.1. Each task within a given test will involve a set amount of work, repetitions, and/or movements that must be completed. On the start call, athletes may begin working through the assigned task(s) in the assigned order until the work is completed. Athletes will be ranked against other athletes based on how quickly the work is finished, how much work is completed, distance traveled, or how heavy a load is lifted.

6.5.2 In order to qualify for repetitions completed or work performed in competition, the athlete's work must meet all required movement points of performance listed in the iF3 Movement Standards for that particular movement.

6.5.3. Athletes will be assigned a Technical Official(s) for each workout. Technical Officials are in charge of counting the number of successfully completed repetitions and clearly and immediately informing athletes when a repetition credit will not be given for work attempted. Technical Officials may also determine when the athlete has completed the test.

6.5.4. For specific competition formats used in iF3 competition see section 6.7 Available Competition Formats.

6.6 Adherence to Movement Standards

6.6.1. Athletes are expected to adhere to all movement standards that are set out in the iF3 Movement Standards document, any relevant Competition Test Announcements, and any clarifications provided during the athletes' briefing when completing tasks. If an athlete's movement does not adhere to a movement standard, the Technical Official assigned to that athlete is required to invalidate the repetition. The Head Technical Official for the event may, at his or her discretion, overrule either the validation or invalidation of a repetition, or assess an appropriate penalty to an athlete's score, which may include but is not limited to invalidation of repetitions or assessment of appropriate fractional point and/or time modifications.

6.6.2. If, in the opinion of a Head Technical Official or in the opinion of a Technical Official assigned to an athlete for a particular test (and subject to review by a Head Technical Official), an athlete performs a movement in such a way that it avoids the intent of the movement standard, or exploits a loophole in the standards, such that the athlete would gain an unfair advantage if permitted to continue performing the movement in the manner in question, that Technical Official assigned, or any Head Technical Official for the event, may assess an appropriate penalty. Assessment of appropriate fractional point and/or time modifications may be assessed by only a Head Technical Official.

6.6.3. Repeated attempts by an athlete to intentionally perform movements in unstandardized ways is grounds for disqualification.

6.6.4. Unless otherwise specified in a movement standard, test announcement, or athlete briefing, all external objects, including but not limited to barbells and dumbbells, must be dropped in front of the athlete. An athlete dropping an object behind them is a safety concern, and this will invalidate the repetition.

6.7 Available Competition Formats

The following competitive formats are available to be used in 2023 International iF3 functional fitness competitions. Not all formats are included at all competitions. Depending on heat scheduling within a competition, athletes may be allowed to participate in multiple formats at a single competition.

6.7.1. Individual Medley. The individual medley is considered the traditional functional fitness competitive format. This is a multi-part competition where athletes perform various tasks and are assigned points based on their finishing order in each individual task. The points earned on each task are then tallied to determine an overall winner. Athletes will be tested in each of the following six capacities at some point in the medley: endurance, strength, bodyweight, skill, mixed, and power. At the championship levels medleys are multi day competitions, thus they also test the athletes' ability to recover from volume.

6.7.2. Team Medley. The team medley is a competition format where mixed-gender teams of four (2 males, 2 females) compete against each other. This is a multi-part competition where teams perform various tasks and are assigned points based on their finishing order on each individual task. The points earned on each task are then tallied to determine an overall winner. Testing in team competition prioritizes testing the athletes' ability to work together as a cohesive unit while demonstrating their individual abilities in the realms of endurance, strength, bodyweight, mixed relay 1, mixed relay 2, and team strategy. At the championship levels medleys are multi-day competitions, the medleys also test the teams' ability to recover from volume.

6.7.3. Partner Medley. The Partner medley is a competition format where mixed gendered pairs (1 male, 1 female) compete against each other. This is a multi-event competition where partners perform various workouts/event and are assigned points based on their finish on each individual event. The points earned on each event are then totaled up in order to determine an overall winner. Partners will be tested in each of the following six capacities at some point in the medley: Endurance, Strength, Bodyweight, Mixed Relay 1, Mixed Relay 2, and Team Strategy. The ability to communicate and work together as a pair will also be tested. At the championship levels medleys are multi day events, and thus also test the pairs' ability to recover from volume.

6.7.4. Junior Individual Medley. The Junior individual medley is a multi-part competition where athletes perform various tasks and are assigned points based on their finishing order in each individual task. The points earned on each task are then tallied to determine an overall winner. Athletes ages 13-14 will be tested in each of the following four capacities at some point in the medley: endurance, strength, bodyweight, and mixed. Athletes ages 15-16 and 17-18 will be tested in each of the following six capacities at some point in the medley: endurance, strength, bodyweight, skill, mixed, and power. Junior level athletes are also scored based on their technique during each test. At the championship levels medleys are multi day competitions, thus they also test the athletes' ability to recover from volume.

6.7.5 Individual Hyper Medley. The Individual HyperMedley format is a tournament style format where individual athletes compete against each other for a condensed (two hours or less) version of the medley event. While only smaller groups of athletes (typically 10 or less) compete against each other at a time, there are typically many more athletes in the tournament. Athletes may compete in preliminary, quarter, and/or semi-final rounds before advancing to the final round of competition. In each round of competition athletes will complete a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 of the Medley Tests to determine their ranking and whether they will advance to the next round of competition. Each round of competition is scored independently and scores reset at the end of each round.

6.7.6 Team Hyper Medley. The Team HyperMedley format is a tournament style format where mixed gender teams of 4 compete against each other for a condensed (two hours or less) version of the team medley event. While only smaller groups of teams (typically 10 or less) compete against each other at a time, there are typically many more teams in the tournament. Teams may compete in preliminary, quarter, and/or semi-final rounds before advancing to the final round of competition. In each round of competition teams will complete a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 of the Team Medley Tests to determine their ranking and whether they will advance to the next round of competition. Each round of competition is scored independently and scores reset at the end of each round.

6.7.8. Pairs Hyper Medley. The Pairs HyperMedley format is a tournament style format where mixed gender teams of 2 compete against each other for a condensed (two hours or less) version of the team medley event. While only smaller groups of teams (typically 10 or less) compete

against each other at a time, there are typically many more teams in the tournament. Teams may compete in preliminary, quarter, and/or semi-final rounds before advancing to the final round of competition. In each round of competition teams will complete a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 of the Pairs Medley Tests to determine their ranking and whether they will advance to the next round of competition. Each round of competition is scored independently and scores reset at the end of each round.

6.8 Additional Competition Formats

The iF3 may choose at its discretion to sanction additional competitions which use any of the formats listed in section 6.7 or any of the additional competition formats below.

6.8.1 Speed Benchmark. The speed benchmark format is a bracket styled competitive event where athletes complete a well known functional fitness benchmark test for time. Each heat of athletes will start together at one end of the field and proceed to the other end of the field by completing the required work. As athletes complete their required repetitions or workload they advance farther down the field; finally crossing the finish line when the work is complete. The fastest times from all competitors will move on to the next round with the total number of competitors dwindling until the final round which will determine the winner in a winner take all race. The benchmark test does not change each heat, and all athletes will perform the extra same test each heat and each round of competition.

6.8.2 Pure Speed. The speed format is a bracket style competitive event where athletes complete a functional fitness test for time. Each heat of athletes will start together at one end of the field and proceed to the other end of the field by completing the required work. As athletes complete their required repetitions or workload they advance farther down the field; finally crossing the finish line when the work is complete. The fastest times from all competitors will move on to the next round with the total number of competitors dwindling until the final round which will determine the winner in a winner take all race. In the speed format the work the athlete is required to complete changes each round of competition. The athletes will perform a different test after each rounds of athlete cuts.

6.8.3 Team Head-To-Head. The Team head-to-head format is a tournament style format where mixed gendered teams of four (2 males, 2 females) compete against each other for a condensed (two hours or less) version of the medley event. While only two to four teams compete against each other at a time, there are typically many more teams in the tournament. Teams will rotate through and play each or most other teams in a matter of hours or a few days, before eliminations occur based on a team's win-loss record. The teams with the most wins will compete head to head for the overall victory.

6.8.4 Partner Head-To-Head. The Partner head-to-head format is a tournament style format where mixed gendered pairs (1 male, 1 female) compete against each other for a condensed (two hours or less) version of the medley event. While only two to eight pairs typically compete against each other at a time, there are typically many more pairs in the tournament. Pairs will rotate through and play each or most other pairs in a matter of hours or a few days, before eliminations occur based on a pair's win-loss record. The pairs with the most wins will compete head to head for the overall victory.

6.9 World Championship Event Format

6.9.1 The 2023 iF3 World Championships will be conducted in the Individual Medley and Team Medley Format.

6.9.2 The 2023 iF3 Junior World Championships for the 13-14, 15-16, and 17-18 age groups will be conducted in the Junior Individual Medley Format for each respective age group as described in section 6.7.4. The Junior World Championships for the 19-20 age group will be conducted in the Individual Medley Format.

6.9.3 The 2023 iF3 Masters World Championships will be conducted in the Individual Medley Format.

6.10 European Championship Format and Additional Regulations

6.10.1 The European Championship will be conducted in the Individual Hypermedley and the Pairs Hypermedley format.

6.10.2 For the Individual Hypermedley Preliminary round competition there are no minimum work requirements. In practical terms on the extreme end, this means athletes may, as part of their strategy, choose to sit out a test without receiving any additional penalty. If an athlete, sits out a test they will receive a score of zero and be ranked accordingly on the leaderboard for that test.

6.10.3 For the Individual Hypermedley Final round competition minimum work requirements may be established.

6.10.4 The Individual Male and Female Winner of the European Championships will earn an automatic qualifying spot to the 2023 iF3 World Championships.

6.11 Asian Championship Format and Additional Regulations

6.11.1 The Asian Championships will be conducted in the Individual Medley and the Pairs Medley format.

6.11.2 The Individual Male and Female winner of the Asian Championships will earn an automatic qualifying spot to the 2023 iF3 World Championships.