# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



EDITED on 22 Feb 2022 Switch of DMT & TUM times

### **2022 ONLINE JUDGES' TESTS DIRECTIVES**

All edits and new information in blue below.

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#### Overview

The Executive Committee approved changing the traditional in-person judges' courses and examinations to an online format for the start of the 2022-2024 cycle. The Covid-19 pandemic has posed a great threat to hosting in-person courses. The president of the FIG Anti-doping, Medical and Scientific Commission recommended the avoidance of gathering dozens of judges into meeting rooms over several days all over the world. Travel restrictions and the financial stakes were also major factors in the decision.

The FIG has contracted STS Tests to develop and oversee the online testing for the 2022-2024 Codes of Points. This is the same company that has provided the FIG online judges' educational platform over several years.

The Technical Committees have been working diligently to provide online study materials that will be made available through the new STS educational platform. STS Tests, with materials approved by each TC, will administer online testing with major similarities to the examinations of the past cycles.

More information regarding the online tests and brevet qualification for the 2022-2024 cycle can be found in the 2022-2024 General Judges' Rules and the 2022-2024 Specific Judges' Rules for each discipline. These are now available on the FIG website.

All brevet judges of the 2017-2021 cycle that pass the online exam will retain their international brevet. They will be able to judge competitions starting 01.01.2022 <u>using the 2022-2024 CoP</u> until their online test results are released in February-April, depending on the test date. The 2022-2024 brevet will become active upon passing the online test.

The FIG asks everyone for patience in this process. This procedure of study and testing we have implemented usually takes a year of planning, but we have to accomplish all tasks effectively in just a few short months because of the inability to host in-person courses. Last week we realized that we had to expand our server system because of the unprecedented number of candidates viewing videos on the study site. Everyone should see an improvement in video performance. It is also important to mention that the study and testing sites are completely independent of each other to guarantee optimal performance of both sites.

#### **Study Materials**

All study materials for judges are now available <u>only</u> through the following access: <a href="https://stsstudy.com/">https://stsstudy.com/</a>. Note, for all study materials, three vertical dots on the left side of the screen allow you to open and close the menu.

For updated information to be seen, you must logout and login.

Study material includes the following information:

1. Competition Videos (FIG competition video library, IRCOS & PK videos)

Note: It is important to select (light up) the appropriate buttons for the year, competition, phase and apparatus/category you seek. These videos are a study supplement to material located as "TC Content".

#### 2. TC Presentations

Found on the study platform under "TC Content".

These are the typical presentations shown live at judges' course in the past.

Read the pop-up screen carefully when you open the "TC Presentations" tab:

- -Important: Click on "Notes" on the far right to access the TC study notes throughout your review.
- -Left click on any area in the presentation screen (except videos) to view the presentation optimally if any animations are included. Only use "Next" to advance if a full screen video is in the main content area.

#### 3. TC Examples

These examples can be found on the study platform under "TC Content".

Full routines (runs for PK) and TC analysis are available.

You must open the drop-down after viewing a routine. This will give you a scoring summary by the TC. Even more specific information can be seen by clicking on Analysis or Judging Sheet, located in blue above the summary details.

#### 4. Info

This section contains Test Directives, Test Instructions (for each discipline, when finalized), Newsletter/CoP Errata (coming soon if applicable), Q & A (coming soon). New features will be added later (likely after the tests to help judges further prepare for competitions)

Test Instructions- give final details for candidates about the tests and a view of what all the candidate input screens look like.

As of today, MAG, WAG, ACRO and PK have TC Content available. New information will be added when completed and approved.

Study materials by the TCs in STS will be in the four FIG official languages (with Parkour in English and French only). English may be available before the other languages, but all preparation content will be available, as soon as possible before the Practice Test in each respective discipline.

## For Login Access to Study platform: <a href="https://stsstudy.com/">https://stsstudy.com/</a>

#### For Brevet Judges from the 2017-2021 cycle

Use your current STS login

OR

User name - FIG Judge ID + discipline letter(s) in CAPS

e.g. 1234M or 1234W or 1234R or 1234T or 1234AC or 1234AE or 1234P

Password - birth year + FIG Judge ID

e.g. YYYY1234

This is NOT the login for the Practice Tests or Official Tests.

#### For New Judges for the 2022-2024 cycle

Login information to STS study platform will be sent to new brevet candidates through their NFs. This access for new judges can be sent <u>only</u> to new judges that need to prepare for the tests.

All past usernames and passwords used for the 2017-2021 STS study platform will work for the new 2022-2024 educational platform.

See below, in FIG Judges' Registration, for how to register new judges and receive an ID number (user name).

#### For Returning Judges from the 2013-2016 cycle, with no brevet from 2017-2021

Please email the FIG at <a href="mailto:sports@fig-gymnastics.org">sports@fig-gymnastics.org</a> because these judges already have an ID number, but must have their profile updated in the FIG database first.

#### **Judges' Registration**

The fee for each judge to participate in the online Official Test is CHF150. This also includes the study platform access and Practice Test. Each NF will be billed directly by the FIG. Note: RG and TRA judges will only pay CHF150 per judge, even if they register for 2 or more of their disciplines.

NFs must use the FIG online database to register their judges. The login and password for the Practice Test and Official Test will be available in the database for all judges shortly after the registration process is completed by each respective NF and validated by FIG.

<u>For all World Cups and World Championships starting after 31 March 2022</u>, please note that a judges' brevet for the 2022-2024 cycle will be required to register and judge. Therefore, <u>no judge</u> can be registered at the provisional and definitive stages for these competitions after 31 March without the new brevet certification. It is fine to put "0" judges during registration for these cases and make the correction once the new brevets have been confirmed.

Registration will be open for PK and ACRO in December and all others in January/early February.

The national federations register the judges with current brevets (2017-2021) and place them in the desired test through the online Sport Database. All deadlines as shown in the Test Schedule must be respected. Judges' must be registered in the online test (dates & time zones) where they will be taking the test. THIS IS MANDATORY.

Moving a judge from your federation time zone into the one where the judge will be taking the test (not a choice or selection, where they live or may be working from), requires an email from your federation to the Sports Manager responsible for that discipline. The Sports Manager will open the position in the other time zone and then inform you. The NF must state the city and country where the candidate judge will take the test. Any other reason for changing time zones must be sent to the FIG Technical Coordinator, Steve Butcher at <a href="mailto:sbutcher@fig-gymnastics.org">sbutcher@fig-gymnastics.org</a> to review with the FIG Secretary General and/or FIG President.

A passport or national ID Card (not driving license) will be needed for registrations to be validated, along with other required information, and the passport or national ID Card must be valid for judges to receive their final results. If judges do not have their valid passport or valid national ID Card at the time of registration, they can upload their expired passport or their expired national ID Card as a last resort. Again, a valid passport or a valid national ID Card will ultimately be needed to finalize and issue the brevet results.

If a judge has an ID number as a coach or athlete, please write to <a href="mailto:testsupport@fig.sport">testsupport@fig.sport</a>, as we may need to merge their profiles.

The FIG database will provide the online access information, username = their judge ID number and a password (also shown in the database). This information will need to be sent by the NF to each judge SEPARATELY so they may individually access the Practice Test and Official Test. The login and password for the STS study platform will NOT give access to the Practice Test or Official Test.

The national federations may also register a maximum of 10 new brevet judges in each discipline. For these new judges, a new profile will need to be created in the Sport Database, and as soon as possible, while respecting the deadlines set out in the Test Schedule. The FIG will need to validate (as quickly as possible) these new judges before tests. The database will provide the online access information, login = their judge ID number and a password. This information will need to be sent to each judge SEPARATELY so each judge may access the Practice Test and Official Test. The login and password for the STS Educational platform will NOT give access to the Practice Test or Official Test.

#### **Special Information for RG and TRA new judges:**

RG- The 10 new judges may be added for RGI and RGG respectively. That is 20 total (10 in each) or 10 that do both RGI and RGG, and any other combination to fill the positions. TRA- The 10 new judges may be added in each of the 3 disciplines (TRA, DMT & TUM). That is 30 total (10 in each) or 10 that do TRA, DMT & TUM, and any other combination to fill the slots.

A TRA or RG brevet judge from 2017-2021, with only a brevet in one of the disciplines, does not count as a new judge and may certify a brevet in any of the missing disciplines for the purposes of new registration quotas. For example, an RGI brevet judge from 2017-2021, can now certify as RGI and RGG and not count as a new RGG judge for the purposes of registration quotas.

Returning judges, judges that did not have a brevet in the 2017-2021 cycle, do not count towards your new judge quota (10 new per discipline).

See examples of the database registration and test password screens below:









#### **Registration Questions (FIG Sports Managers)**

If you have any additional discipline specific questions or need more help, please contact the respective Sports Manager needed:

	Sports Managers	Email
PK	Jakub KOSLACZ	jkoslacz@fig-gymnastics.org
ACRO	Rui VINAGRE	rvinagre@fig-gymnastics.org
MAG	Stephane DETRAZ	sdetraz@fig-gymnastics.org
WAG	Celine CACHEMAILLE	ccachemaille@fig-gymnastics.org
TRA	Rui VINAGRE	rvinagre@fig-gymnastics.org
RG	Sylvie MARTINET	smartinet@fig-gymnastics.org
AER	Alexandre COLA	acola@fig-gymnastics.org

#### THE TESTS

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## For Login Access to the Test platform (Practice Test & Official Test): https://ststests.com

For candidates there are two stages for the STS Tests system:

- 1) Practice Test
- 2) Official Test

#### **Time and Line Deductions**

Judges do not need to account for time and line deductions in their evaluations, except Parkour. In Parkour judges must keep the freestyle run time themselves and use it in their evaluation. It will not be shown on the test screen.

#### **Test Security**

Every judge has their own specific login. The Official Test will use the same test set for all judges in a specific time zone (i.e. Western Europe). However, each time zone/test time will have a different set of routines (runs PK). All candidates in a time zone/test time will have the apparatus/categories and routines within them randomized to prevent candidate judges from collaborating. This is the reason why all candidates in a time zone take the test at the same time. It is conceivable that 10 judges in the same room will be judging different routines (runs PK) at any specific moment of the test.

#### Practice Test (at https://ststests.com)

Approximately one week before each Official Test, candidates will have the opportunity to enter the STS Tests platform to practice and prepare for the Official Test. This test is to familiarize candidates with the login, video display quality and data entry input for their discipline. The goal is to have all candidates in a respective time zone for their specific test on the STS Tests platform to test their hardware and connection, and at the same time, allow STS to confirm all their systems are working optimally.

All candidates should login 10-15 minutes before their sessions. The login credentials will only become active a few hours before the scheduled Practice Test. This test is just a sample to get familiar with the input screens. No answers or results will be shown. The Practice Test can be completed in approximately 30 minutes to one hour depending on the discipline.

Once the Practice Test is over, candidates will have access to this test and may repeat taking it as many times as they like for 72 hours after their original Practice Test date (shown on the Judges' Tests Final Schedule in these Directives). If a judge is unable to access the practice session or has connection issues, they should contact STS and the FIG office through <a href="testsupport@fig.sport">testsupport@fig.sport</a>. Federations may use this email to ask other technical (IT, website) support questions as well.

Note: No reminder will be sent by FIG with judge login information. Logins are available for each candidate judge through each NF's online database. A reminder was only given for PK because it was the first Practice Test.

#### Official Test (at https://ststests.com)

All candidates should login 10-15 minutes before their sessions. More information about this Test can be found in the "Test Instructions" for each discipline, available on the STS Study platform (when available) at <a href="https://stsstudy.com/">https://stsstudy.com/</a> under "Info" and the FIG website <a href="https://www.gymnastics.sport/">https://www.gymnastics.sport/</a> under "Judging" and "2022 Judging Tests" and "Test Instructions". One important feature to mention is the "Submit" button. Candidates have two choices when they complete their input: 1) hit the submit button and immediately move to the next routine or 2) wait until time expires and anything entered will be automatically captured as their result. If a judge or NF has any problem, they should contact STS and the FIG office through <a href="mailto:testsupport@fig.sport">testsupport@fig.sport</a>.

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#### **Final Candidate Results**

Results will be administered on a 'pass/fail' basis. Final results will be sent to each NF once rechecked by the FIG office and confirmed by the respective TC President. The results of these online tests will not be used for any judges' selection/ranking by FIG during the cycle.

#### Hardware / WiFi Recommendations and Connection Issues

- Hardware recommended with high-speed internet / WiFi
  Chrome Browser computer or laptop (PC or MAC) or tablet with keyboard (at least 25cm or 10 inches) best to use mouse or stylus (like Apple pen)
- < Do not take your test on a smartphone

#### Technical (IT, website, database) Support for Educational, Practice Tests or Official Test platforms

Contact STS and the FIG office simultaneously by writing to <a href="mailto:testsupport@fig.sport">testsupport@fig.sport</a>.

#### Schedule

See final two pages of these Directives. There are some updates from the previous schedule highlighted in yellow, only a few course ID numbers changed.

#### Content Questions regarding the Study Materials for your Discipline

If candidates have any questions regarding the study material, they can write to persons mentioned below. Normally questions are asked and answered during in-person courses. This will be our procedure for questions during this online system. A Q&A section will be added to the STS study platform in each discipline prior to their Official Test dates, and this material will be used later to for a Newsletter. The goal is for all candidates receive uniform and official answers.

Questions may only be submitted by federations or continental union TC Presidents. The only exceptions are Parkour and Acro where individual judges may submit questions directly because of the tight time constraints.

	TC President or PK Judging Director	Copy to	
PK	nicolas.fischer@feelyourbody.ch	slipkzoe@gmail.com,	
	(Nicolas Fischer)	jkoslacz@fig-gymnastics.org	
ACRO	rosy.acro@skynet.be	bernardotomasfig@gmail.com,	
	(Rosy Taeymans)	nikolina.hristova.fig@gmail.com	
MAG	amickevics@gmail.com	none	
	(Arturs Mickevics)		
WAG	donatellasacchi@hotmail.com	dowdellkp@optusnet.com.au	
	(Donatella Sacchi)		
TRA	tophe_lambert@yahoo.com	Horst.G.Kunze@t-online.de	
	(Christophe Lambert)		

RG	noha.aboushabana@yahoo.com (Noha Aboushabana)	nkuzmina.rg@gmail.com
AER	tammybear1@gmail.com (Tammy Yagi-Kitagawa)	acola@fig-gymnastics.org

In order of tests schedule

There are deadlines for submitting official questions:

	Questions Deadlines		
	(accepted from NFs and continental union		
	TC Presidents only)		
PK	Saturday, 22 January 2022 at 23:59 CET		
ACRO	Sunday, 23 January 2022 at 23:59 CET		
MAG	Tuesday, 25 January 2022 at 12:00 CET		
WAG	Friday, 28 January 2022 at 12:00 CET		
TRA	Friday, 04 February 2022 at 12:00 CET		
RG #1	Questions already received		
RG #2	Friday, 11 February 2022 at 12:00 CET		
	New questions		
AER	Friday, 25 February 2022 at 12:00 CET		

### **Updated Information**

Directives document version 3, is possible in the future, if there is new information to share.

Please distribute this document to all of your judging candidates as soon as possible.

With warm regards,

### FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE

Nicolas Buompane FIG Secretary General

Lausanne, January 2022

JUDGES' TESTS FINAL SCHEDULE All judges test in the time zone where they reside on the official test day.

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New Judge Profile Deadline	Mon 10 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 10 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time		Mon 10 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Thu 13 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Thu 13 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time		Thu 13 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
PK Practice Test	Wed 19 Jan 16:00 EST	Thu 20 Ja	n 14:00 CET	Wed 19 Jan 14:00 JST
PK <u>OFFICIAL</u> Test	Wed 26 Jan 16:00 EST <b>ID#16931</b>	Thu 27 Jan 14:00 CET <b>ID#16932</b>		Wed 26 Jan 14:00 JST <b>ID#16933</b>
New Judge Profile Deadline	Mon 10 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 10 Jan 2	3:59 Swiss Time	Mon 10 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Thu 13 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Thu 13 Jan 23	3:59 Swiss Time	Thu 13 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
ACRO Practice Test	Fri 21 Jan 16:00 EST	Sat 22 Jan 14:00 CET		Fri 21 Jan 14:00 JST
ACRO OFFICIAL Test	Fri 28 Jan 16:00 EST <b>ID#16934</b>	Sat 29 Jan 14:00 CET ID#16935		Fri 28 Jan 14:00 JST <b>ID#16936</b>
New Judge Profile Deadline	Mon 17 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 17 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 17 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 17 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
MAG Practice Test	Thu 03 Feb 16:00 EST	Wed 02 Feb 14:00 CET	Mon 31 Jan 14:00 EET	Tue 01 Feb 14:00 JST
MAG <u>OFFICIAL</u> Test	Thu 10 Feb 16:00 EST <b>ID#16937</b>	Wed 09 Feb 14:00 CET <b>ID#16938</b>	Mon 07 Feb 14:00 EET ID#16939	Tue 08 Feb 14:00 JST <b>ID#16940</b>
New Judge Profile Deadline	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 24 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Mon 31 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 31 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 31 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time	Mon 31 Jan 23:59 Swiss Time
WAG Practice Test	Mon 07 Feb 16:00 EST	Tue 08 Feb 14:00 CET	Thu 10 Feb 14:00 EET	Wed 09 Feb 14:00 JST
WAG <u>OFFICIAL</u> Test	Mon 14 Feb 16:00 EST <b>ID#16941</b>	Tue 15 Feb 14:00 CET <b>ID#16942</b>	Thu 17 Feb 14:00 EET ID#16943	Wed 16 Feb 14:00 JST ID#16944
New Judge Profile Deadline	Thu 03 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Thu 03 Feb 2	3:59 Swiss Time	Thu 03 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Thu 10 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Thu 10 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time		Thu 10 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time
TRA Practice Test (TRA)	Sat 19 Feb 14:00 EST	Mon 21 Feb 14:00 CET		Sat 19 Feb 14:00 JST
TRA OFFICIAL Test (TRA)	Sat 26 Feb 14:00 EST <b>ID#16945</b>	Mon 28 Feb 14	:00 CET <b>ID#16946</b>	Sat 26 Feb 14:00 JST <b>ID#16947</b>
TRA Practice (DMT)	Sat 19 Feb 15:30 EST	Mon 21 Feb 15:30 CET		Sat 19 Feb 15:30 JST
TRA <u>OFFICIAL</u> Test (DMT)	Sat 26 Feb 15:30 EST <b>ID#16948</b>	Mon 28 Feb 15	:30 CET <b>ID#16949</b>	Sat 26 Feb 15:30 JST <b>ID#16950</b>
TRA Practice Test (TUM)	Sat 19 Feb 17:00 EST		eb 17:00 CET	Sat 19 Feb 17:00 JST
TRA <u>OFFICIAL</u> Test (TUM)	Sat 26 Feb 17:00 EST <b>ID#16951</b>	Mon 28 Feb 17:00 CET <b>ID#16952</b>		Sat 26 Feb 17:00 JST <b>ID#16953</b>
New Judge Profile Deadline	Tue 08 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Tue 08 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Tue 08 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Tue 08 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Tue 15 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Tue 15 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Tue 15 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Tue 15 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time
RGI RGG Practice Test	Fri 25 Feb 16:00 EST	Tue 22 Feb 14:00 CET	Wed 23 Feb 14:00 EET	Thu 24 Feb 14:00 JST
RGI <u>OFFICIAL</u> Test	Fri 04 Mar 16:00 EST <b>ID#16955</b>	Tue 01 Mar 14:00 CET <b>ID#16958</b>	Wed 02 Mar 14:00 EET <b>ID#16959</b>	Thu 03 Mar 14:00 JST <b>ID#16960</b>
RGG OFFICIAL Test	Wed 09 Mar 16:00 EST <b>ID#16961</b>	Sat 05 Mar 14:00 CET <b>ID#16962</b>	Mon 07 Mar 14:00 EET <b>ID#16963</b>	Tue 08 Mar 14:00 JST <b>ID#16964</b>
New Judge Profile Deadline	Thu 24 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time	Thu 24 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time		Thu 24 Feb 23:59 Swiss Time
Final Registration Deadline	Thu 03 Mar 23:59 Swiss Time	Thu 03 Mar 23:59 Swiss Time		Thu 03 Mar 23:59 Swiss Time
AER Practice Test	Fri 11 Mar 16:00 EST	Thu 10 Mar 14:00 CET		Sat 12 Mar 14:00 JST
AER OFFICIAL Test	Fri 18 Mar 16:00 EST <b>ID#16954</b>	Thu 17 Mar 14:00 CET <b>ID#16957</b>		Sat 19 Mar 14:00 JST <b>ID#16956</b>



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Corrections to ID numbers are highlighted in yellow on the previous page.

#### **Time Zones for Official Tests & Practice Tests**

**Legend**: Eastern Standard Time (New York, USA) = EST / Central European Time (Paris, FRA) = CET / Eastern European Time (Sofia, BUL) = EET / Japan Standard Time (Tokyo, JPN) = JST

Western Europe: Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kosovo, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, North Macedonia, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland

Eastern Europe: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Greece, Israel, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation\*(Time zones: EET, MSK, SAMT, YEKT only), Turkey, Ukraine

\*Russian Federation (Time zones: OMST, KRAT, NOVT, IRKT, YAKT, VLAT, MAGT, SAKT, SRET, ANAT, PETT) will be in the Asia & Oceania Tests & Practice Tests