

### Enquiry Process for MAG & WAG Competitions

- At all GI Competitions a coach has the right (in line with the rules laid down by FIG) to appeal the D-Score of a routine of his or her gymnast.
- Going forward the D1 Judge must display the D-Score & E-Score of all routines at all Gymnastics Ireland competitions. This can be done either by way of **a)** a Score slip to the coach or **b)** a white board / display scoreboard.
- If a coach feels that the incorrect D-Score has been given to his / her gymnast, then he / she is permitted to make a **quick** verbal enquiry to the D1 Judge on the Apparatus. Please note that the “Verbal Enquiry” system is being allowed on a **Trial basis Only** and its effectiveness will be reviewed routinely by the MAG & WAG Brevet Judging Panels.
- The above verbal enquiry must be done immediately after the score of the gymnast in question has been flashed or at the very latest before the score of the next gymnast is flashed but **never** during another gymnast's exercise.
- If the gymnast in question was the last gymnast in the rotation, then one minute will be allowed for the enquiry to be made to the D1 Judge.
- If the Coach is not satisfied after making his / her verbal enquiry to the D1 Judge then he / she has the right to make a written enquiry to the Superior Jury. Please note that if the coach is not satisfied with the response of the D1 Judge he / she must not at any stage engage in an argument / lengthy discussion about the score. The verbal enquiry system is being permitted for now, to ensure that any regrettable errors can be rectified quickly. At no time should the verbal enquiry become a lengthy discussion between the Coach & the Judge nor should it delay the competition in any way.
- The Superior Jury is comprised of the Chair of the Apparatus (MAG) and the Judging Convenor (WAG) **plus** the highest qualified Judge at the competition (cannot be the D1 Judge who was involved in the initial enquiry).
- The written appeal to the Superior Jury must be done within 4 mins. of the verbal enquiry being rejected by the D1 Judge (as set down by F.I.G.)
- The written appeal must be accompanied by written confirmation that the coach on behalf of his / her Club agrees to forward a cheque (made payable to Gymnastics Ireland) in the sum of €100 for the first enquiry, €150 for the second enquiry and €200 for each and every subsequent enquiry to the GI Office within one week of the Competition.
- Should the enquiry be successful the above detailed sums due will be cancelled immediately, however, if the appeal is unsuccessful, the sum must be forwarded to the GI Office within one week of the Competition.
- The Superior Jury will review the appeal and their decision will be relayed to the coach within max. 15 mins from the time it was received.
- The Superior Jury will be pre-appointed by the Head of Judging for all National Competitions.
- The Superior Jury will be pre-appointed by the Regional Chair of the Apparatus (MAG / if applicable and required) & the Regional Judging Convenor (WAG) for all Regional Competitions
- At all National Competitions the Chair of the Apparatus (MAG) and the Judging Convenor (WAG) will not Judge on the day and will therefore be free to deal with any issues.
- At all Regional Competitions we would encourage the same practice in that the Chair of the Apparatus (MAG) and the Judging Convenor (WAG) would not Judge so as to ensure that they are free to resolve any issues, however, we understand that in some Regions this may not be possible.

#### Notes:-

- The decision of the Superior Jury is final and **cannot** be appealed.
- Video evidence is not permitted, however, in exceptional circumstances it may be accepted at the discretion of the Superior Jury.
- Only accredited coaches may appeal.
- A coach cannot appeal the score of a gymnast who is not from his / her Club.
- Appeals on the E-Score of a routine are not permitted.

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