



General Specifications for the Organization of the FMBB World Championships

Art. 1 – Purpose and Legal Validity

These specifications determine the binding conditions for the organization of the FMBB World Championship. They form an integral part of the formal Organization Contract between FMBB and the local organizer. In case of contradiction, the Organization Contract shall prevail. The Dutch version is the only legally valid text.

Art. 2 – Application and Allocation

2.1 Event Date

The World Championship shall be held between the last full weekend of April and the second full weekend of May. The final date shall be confirmed at least one year in advance.

2.2 Application Procedure

Applications must be submitted in writing to the FMBB Board two years prior to the event and must include:

- Name of the organizing club/organization and country
- Proposed venue for the World Championship
- Contact details of the responsible person
- Proposed event date
- Financial plan

2.3 Eligibility and Conditions

The organization may be assigned to a national Belgian Shepherd Club, a combination of clubs, or an FCI-recognized kennel club. Correspondence must be conducted in English or French. An organization contract must be signed.

Art. 3 – Disciplines

Possible disciplines include, among others: IGP, IGP FH, Mondioring, Agility, Obedience, Show, Canicross, Bikejöring, Herding (IHT/TS), Rescue Dog, Dogscooter. Venues and dates may differ per discipline.

Art. 4 – Financial Structure

4.1 FMBB Revenue

- Entry fees
 - IGP, Mondioring, Agility, Obedience, Rescue Dog, : € 150 + VAT.
 - Herding: € 180 + VAT.
 - Canicross, Bikejöring, Dogscooter: € 80 + VAT.

- Show: Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class, Puppy, Veteran Class: € 45 + VAT.
- Show: Junior Class, Intermediate Class, Open Class, Working Class, Champion Class: € 60 + VAT.
- Livestream income(viewer contributions, sponsorship, advertising)

4.2 Organizer Revenue

- Local sponsorship
- Catering, beverages, merchandising, ticketing, side activities
- Remaining balance of entry fees after deduction of FMBB costs

4.3 VAT and Fiscal Compliance

FMBB invoices in accordance with Belgian law (Flanders). The Organizer is responsible for complying with the fiscal regulations of its own country. All financial transactions shall be conducted in Euros.

4.4 Transfer of Remaining Funds

FMBB shall transfer the remaining balance to the Organizer no later than three months after the conclusion of the World Championship.

4.5 Audit and Transparency

FMBB shall provide an itemized report of income and expenditures under its management within 90 days after the event.

Art. 5 – Deductions from Entry Fees

5.1 FMBB Fees

- Working disciplines: €30 per entry
- Conformation show: €10 per entry (youth and above); €5 for puppies and veterans

5.2 Medals

FMBB Shall buy the medals for the top three in disciplines awarding an official world champion title. The costs shall be invoiced to the organizer.

Art. 6 – Fees and Expenses

6.1 FMBB – Paid Compensation

- Daily allowance: €40 per working day
- Economy class flights (mandatory from 1000 km)
- Local transport and parking costs
- Meal allowance up to €60 per day (no alcohol)
- Medals FMBB shall issue invoices for officials directly.

6.2 Cancellation by Officials

In case of last-minute cancellation, all compensation rights are forfeited. FMBB and the Organizer shall arrange replacements.

6.3 Organizer – Paid Costs

- Accommodation: hotel room or equivalent, normally single occupancy
- Local transport
- Flights for judges and helpers

- Grounds, infrastructure, catering, staff
- Prizes, trophies, souvenirs
- All other local costs

Art. 7 – Operational Requirements and SLAs

- Competition grounds must meet the FCI minimum standards per discipline
- Reliable high-speed internet for livestreaming
- Officials must speak English at the minimum
- Animal welfare shall comply with local laws
- Smoke-free zones shall comply with local regulations

Art. 8 – Organization and Communication

- Regular reporting to the FMBB Secretary
- Submission of minutes within 3 weeks
- Weekly online meetings
- The Organizer assumes full operational and fiscal responsibility

Art. 9 – Catalogue

Minimum contents:

- Organizational chart, team structure, FMBB commissions
- Statistics, site map, prize list, timetable, foreword
- By discipline: judges, helpers, schedules, participant lists by country
- Bilingual: English + language of the organizing country

A printed version is mandatory; a digital version is permitted.

Art. 10 – Prizes and Souvenirs

- Souvenir for each participant and team leader
- Trophies and medals for the top 3 finishers (Agility: top 4 in team events)
- Costs borne by the Organizer

Art. 11 – Registration and Entries

- Entries only via the online system
- Deadline: 4 weeks prior to the World Championship
- No refunds after the closing date
- In case of cancellation: FMBB and Organizer shall decide jointly
- Participation requires an FCI-recognized pedigree or partner organization

Art. 12 – Veterinary regulations

- Compliance with Local legislation
- FCI veterinary guidelines apply
- In case of doubt, the FMBB Board decides; decisions are final
- Pet passport with valid vaccinations required

Art. 13 – Ceremonies

- Opening ceremony: the day before the start
- Closing ceremony: after the final competition
- Prize ceremonies: Saturday (gala) and Sunday (closing)

Art. 14 – Media, Video Rights and Communication

- All video rights belong to FMBB
- Livestreaming by third parties and participants is prohibited without prior authorization
- Local media coverage only in coordination with FMBB
- Participants may post personal/team videos
- Sponsorship: organizer retains its own sponsorship; FMBB retains its own sponsorship

Art. 15 – Protests and Disputes

15.1 Protests

- Only submitted via the team captain
- Deposit: €300
- If deemed admissible: deposit refunded
- If deemed inadmissible: deposit forfeited to FMBB

15.2 Dispute Resolution

- Disputes shall be decided by the FMBB Board
- Only admissible complaints will be considered
- Decision of the FMBB Board are final and binding

Art. 16 – Final Provisions

- Unforeseen cases will be decided by the FMBB Board.
- Amendments are valid only if made in writing and signed.
- This document is governed by Belgian law.
- The Dutch text is the only legally binding version.
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