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# **Youth Climbing Series 2021 Grand Final Regulations**

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## 1. General

### 1.1 Youth Climbing Series- Grand Final

- 1.1.1 These rules must be read in conjunction with the regional YCS Regulations, the COVID Addendum and the IFSC international lead climbing and bouldering competition rules.
- 1.1.2 Competitors in categories A, B and C will lead climb all routes. Competitors in category D will top-rope all routes.
- 1.1.3 The top three competitors in each category at the end of the regional series who have competed in at least 3 rounds will qualify to enter the Grand Final.
- 1.1.4 A qualifying competitor may withdraw from taking part in the Grand Final. No replacement competitor will be sourced.
- 1.1.5 At the conclusion of the Grand final competition of the annual Series, the Championship Medals shall be awarded to the competitor(s) in each category achieving the highest number of points in accordance with these regulations.

### 1.2 Eligibility

- 1.2.1 All ages are inclusive. Competitors must be no younger than 8 and not older than 17 on the 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of the Series.
- 1.2.2 Colour-blind competitors must be identified as such to the Event Organiser prior to the registration deadline for the competition. The Youth Climbing Series Coordinators will inform the judges of any Colour-blind competitors.
- 1.2.3 Competitors must be registered within the deadlines published for the competition. Payment for the competition cannot be taken on the day and therefore must be made with the competition entry
- 1.2.4 Anyone route setting for the Grand Final may not compete in the Grand Final.

### 1.3 Scoring

- 1.3.1 The scoring for all routes and boulders will be in line with those set out in the Youth Climbing Series 2021 Regulations.

## 2. Grand Final Boulder Competition

### 2.1 Format

The Regional bouldering format, as set out in the Youth Climbing Series 2021 Regulations, shall be used for the Grand Final bouldering competition.

## 3. Grand Final Lead and Top Roping Competition

### 3.1 Format

The Regional lead and top roping format, as set out in the Youth Climbing Series 2021 Regulations, shall be used for the grand Final competition.

## 4. Grand Final Team Competition

### 4.1 Format

- 4.1.1 A regional team competition will run concurrently with the Grand Final. At the end of each individual event, the competitors in each category shall be awarded ranking points as shown in the table in Article 4.2.1 of the Youth Climbing Series 2021 Regulations.

- 4.1.2 Where competitors are tied in a category, each will be awarded the average of ranking points shared by the tied group.

Example 1: If three competitors are tied in third place they are 'occupying' third, fourth and fifth places which would be a total of  $65+55+51=171$  ranking points so each competitor would be awarded  $171\div 3=57$  points.

Example 2: If two competitors are tied in second place they would each be awarded  $(80+65)\div 2=72.5$  points.

- 4.1.3 Each region's team score is the sum of the best ranking points in that team.
- 4.1.4 The number of individual scores counting towards the regional team score will be the fewer of;
  - a) The average of all regional team sizes rounded down to the nearest whole number;
  - b) The whole regional team;
- 4.1.5 If, after applying articles 4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.3 and 4.4.4, there exists a tie, those regional teams shall be deemed equal.

### 4.2 Overall Grand Final Ranking

- 4.2.1 Each competitor participating in the Grand Final shall be awarded "Overall Ranking Points" for each individual event.
- 4.2.2 A Ranking Point Total shall be calculated for each relevant competitor by adding together the Ranking Points awarded for each discipline.
- 4.2.3 The overall winner of the Youth Climbing Series in each category will be the competitor with the highest number of Overall Ranking Points.
- 4.2.4 If, after the calculation of Overall Ranking Points, a category tie exists for **first**, **second** or **third** place, a count-back procedure shall be used such that the results of the tied competitors in the Grand Final top-rope or lead event shall be considered in resolving the tie. The winner will be the tied competitor to have gained the greatest number of first place results, or if this is the same, second place results, etc.
- 4.2.5 If after applying the procedure described in Article 4.2.4, there exists a tie for **first**, **second** or **third** place, the Series Climb-off procedure, as set out in section 4.3 of the Youth Climbing Series 2021 Regulations, shall be used to resolve the ties. A Climb-off must take place on an appropriate roped route (i.e. not a boulder).
- 4.2.6 If after applying the procedure described in Article 4.2.5, there exists a tie for **first**, **second** or **third** place, those competitors shall be deemed equal.

### 4.3 Award Ceremonies

- 4.3.1 The competitors' award ceremony at the Grand Final shall comply with the basic IOC protocol for such events. All podium placed competitors shall attend the award ceremony. Failure to observe this regulation will make the competitor liable to a red card sanction.

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### 5. Competition Appeals

#### 5.1 Procedure

- 5.1.1 All oral and written appeals and official responses to appeals shall be made in English.
- 5.1.2 Any appeal made must include the appeal fee of £20.
- 5.1.3 An appeal against a ruling by a Category Judge during a round of the competition must be made to the Chief Judge by the competitor no later than 30 minutes after the ruling.
- 5.1.4 An appeal against the ranking of a competitor after the completion of a round of the competition and after the official results have been published must be made no later than 30 minutes after the publication of the results. The appeal must be made following the publication of the results at the end of each round of the Series. The appeal may be made in writing to the Event Coordinator and Chief Judge.
- 5.1.5 In the event of an appeal, the Chief Judge shall convene an Appeals Jury comprising the Event Coordinator and Chief Judge, the Category Judges not involved in the case (if available) and the NGB Delegate (if available). A decision shall be made as rapidly as circumstances allow. In the case of written appeals, the decision of the Competition Appeal Jury shall be made in writing and handed by the Chief Judge to the person who officially lodged the appeal.
- 5.1.6 The decision of the Appeal Jury in respect of these regulations shall be final and not subject to further appeal.
- 5.1.7 In those cases where the Event Coordinator and Chief Judge assess that an infringement of the regulations merits consideration by the NGB's Disciplinary Body, the matter shall be referred to the Disciplinary Body together the Chief Judge's report, copies of written communications between the Chief Judge and the competitor concerned, and all relevant evidence.
- 5.1.8 The composition and the procedures of the Disciplinary Body are defined in the NGB's referred documents