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SECTION ONE

COMPETITION CLIMBING CANADA COMPÉTITION D'ESCALADE CANADA “CEC”

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Competition Climbing Canada / Compétition d'escalade Canada (CEC) is the governing body for competition climbing in Canada and is a sub committee of the Services Division of the Alpine Club of Canada (ACC). The CEC, through its parent the ACC, is the only competition climbing federation in Canada recognized by the International Council for Competition Climbing (ICC). It is only through membership in the CEC that a competition climber can be selected to represent Canada at ICC sanctioned international competitions.

1.2. The CEC maintains authority in respect to all Canadian climbing competitions as defined in Section Two below. As such, it is the body responsible for:

- a) Receiving applications from Competition Organizers to organize Canadian competitions (see Exhibit III);
- b) Approving those applications that it deems in the interest of the sport and which it assesses as being Organizationally and financially viable; and
- c) Controlling all technical and other aspects of Competition Climbing in Canada.

All CEC-approved competitions shall be organized and undertaken in strict accordance with the regulations and rules governing such competitions.

2. COMPETITIONS

2.1. Any organizing body in Canada may apply for the right to hold a sanctioned Canadian Climbing Competition.

2.2. CEC members shall be eligible to enter such competitions.

2.3. Among the Canadian climbing competitions requiring the specific approval of the CEC are those outlined on the attached Exhibit I:

3. ORGANIZATION OF THE CEC

3.1. The CEC is directly accountable to the Services Division of the Alpine Club of Canada (ACC). The UIAA has granted recognition of the Alpine Club of Canada as the sole member federation respecting Competition Climbing in Canada.

3.2. Members of the CEC executive are set out in the attached Exhibit II.

3.3. Canadian Competition Officials: Exhibit I sets out the specific requirements and the number of Officials for each type of sanctioned competition climbing event in Canada.

a) Chief Judge: The Chief Judge has overall authority within the competition area; i.e. from the point where competitors and others enter the isolation zone to the point where they exit the competition zone in front of the climbing wall and return to the public section of the arena; this authority extends to covering the activities of the media and all other persons nominated by the Organizer. The Chief Judge has overall authority with respect to all aspects of the running of the competition and presides over all meetings of the CEC Officials. In addition, he/she presides over all Organization and technical meetings with the Competition Organizers, team officials, competitors, etc. The Chief Judge is required to submit a detailed report on the competition and on each 'Aspirant' Judge undergoing the final phase of their Canadian judges training programme.

b) Category Judge: The qualifications of the Category judge for the various competition climbing events are set out in Exhibit I. The Category Judge is assisted by Route Judges.

c) Chief Coursesetter: The Chief Coursesetter is responsible for checking the technical standard and safety of each route of the competition and for advising the Chief Judge on all technical matters within the competition area.

d) Provincial Representative: This is the CEC Provincial Representative who has the right to attend all meetings with the Competition Organizers and take part, in an advisory capacity, in all meetings of the Competition Officials. The Provincial Representative deals with all non-competition matters during the running of the competition and if requested by the CEC, shall submit a detailed report on the competition upon its completion.

e) Route Judges: When not specifically appointed by the CEC (e.g. Judges in training), the Competition Organizer shall provide a Route Judge for each route of the competition. The qualifications of the Route Judges for the various CEC sanctioned events shall be as set out in Exhibit I. They shall be fully informed of the technical rules and regulations governing CEC sanctioned competitions, and shall be instructed in their duties by, and work under the direction of, a Category Judge or the Chief Judge if there is no Category Judge.

f) Competition Officials: The make up of the Competition Officials for the various sanctioned CEC events shall be as set out in Exhibit I.

4. EXECUTIVE TASKS

4.1. Matters concerning applying for a sanctioned competition and the role of the CEC executive with respect to reviewing these application and granting sanctioning, are set out on the attached Exhibit III.

5. COMPETITION ORGANIZERS, SPONSORS AND MEDIA

- 5.1. It is the responsibility of the Competition Organizers and those associated with a CEC sanctioned competition to:
- a) Unconditionally accept that the promotion, development and administration of the sport of competition climbing in Canada is under the exclusive control of the CEC;
 - b) Ensure that no financial or other agreement shall be entered into with an Organization (e.g. television, competition sponsors, etc.) which conflicts with the CEC's own agreements without first obtaining the written approval of the CEC;
 - c) At all times seek the advice and agreement of the CEC in respect to any decision which might conflict with the best interest of the sport.

SECTION TWO

COMPETITION ORGANIZATION

1. APPLICATION TO ORGANIZE A CEC SANCTIONED COMPETITION

- 1.1. A Competition Organizer must complete a sanctioning application to the CEC in writing as set out in Exhibit III.
- 1.2. Before CEC sanctioning is given, the proposed venue of the competition and its associated facilities may be subject to inspection by the Provincial Representative.
- 1.3. The sanctioning application has been laid out to establish criteria for the sanctioning of competition climbing events in Canada and to ensure that sanctioned competitions are run at a "high standard of quality". The term "high standard of quality" is characterized and guided by three main intents:
 - a) To create a competition atmosphere that is fair for each and every competitor;
 - b) To provide consistency in sanctioned events by running a competition at a similar standard to other sanctioned competitions in Canada regardless of venue location; and
 - c) To promote and encourage the growth of competition climbing by organizing and executing a professional competition.

It is important to note that for the results of a competition to be included in the national ranking in the CEC, all of the conditions of sanctioning must be adhered to, or divergence from these conditions must be explicitly approved by the CEC.

2. COMPETITION FACILITIES

- 2.1. The Competition Organizer shall, at a minimum, provide the following facilities in accordance with the regulations governing these facilities:
 - a) Isolation zone area and facilities as specified in accordance with the regulations;
 - b) Isolation Zone registration - including the security of the Isolation Zone and the continuous scrutiny in respect to all persons entering or leaving the Isolation Zone;
 - c) Isolation Zone warm-up/practice wall and associate facilities in accordance with the regulations;
 - d) Transit zone adjacent to the climbing wall;
 - e) A separate isolation zone adjacent to the climbing wall to be used following a technical incident. Provision being made to ensure that strict isolation regulations are maintained between competitors when two or more are in the separate isolation zone at any one time;
 - f) A competition area in front of the wall to which entry is restricted to CEC officials, the Organizers officials, competitors taking part in the official period of route observation or in process of making their attempt upon a route, authorised television personnel and other persons specifically authorised by the Chief Judge;

- g) Height measurement and results service;
- h) Medical personnel and a medical room; and
- i) With respect to Regional and National competitions, a Press office.

3. COMPETITION ORGANIZER'S DUTIES

3.1. The Competition Organizer shall provide the following:

- a) Assistants to carry out the following activities:
 - (i) All pre-competition Organization/administration and supervision/liason with those for the provision and construction of the competition climbing wall and associated facilities, and the arena facilities;
 - (ii) Welcome competitors and team officials, etc.;
 - (iii) Register and control authorised persons entering and leaving the isolation zone;
 - (iv) Maintain security of the isolation zone and competition zone;
 - (v) Accompany and generally assist competitors on leaving the isolation zone and walking to the transit zone and the competition wall;
 - (vi) Organize the opening and closing ceremonies;
- b) Route Judges (in accordance with CEC regulations) to assist the Category Judge (including route time-keeping duties);
- c) A competent belaying team;
- d) A competent belaying team;
- e) A wall cleaning team;
- f) Coursesetters and wall maintenance team;
- g) Height measurement and recording service team.
- h) Media and Press services and facilities; and
- i) Medical services and facilities.

4. CLIMBING WALL AND ROUTE-SETTING

4.1. Climbing Wall: The climbing wall and/or the boulders shall be constructed in accordance with local building codes and regulations where the climbing wall and or the boulder wall is located. The Competition Organizer is solely responsible to ensure that all of the building code certificates for the wall are current and available for examination by the Provincial Representative.

4.2. The Competition Organizer shall, subject to the provisions set out in Exhibit I, appoint the Chief Coursesetter and the route-setting team. The duties of the Chief Coursesetter shall include:

- a) Design of the routes for each round of the competition, installing the holds and protection points and equipment for each route in accordance with Section Two, Clause 5, Safety, ensuring that the routes are of the appropriate technical standard;
- b) Co-ordination of the work of the assistant Coursesetters and responsibility to ensure that proper working and competition safety precautions are observed during the construction and dismantling of the wall and throughout the competition;
- c) Repair and cleaning of the routes as instructed by the Category Judge;

- d) Design, install and maintain the warm-up facilities;
- e) Assist the measurement team and/or the Route/Category Judges in compiling the 'topo' for each route;
- f) Advise the Chief Judge and Category Judge for each route on the maximum time that competitors should be permitted to attempt each route.

5. SAFETY

- 5.1. The Competition Organizer shall be solely responsible for maintaining all safety precautions within the isolation/transit zones, the competition area, the competition hall and for all activities concerned with running the competition.
- 5.2. The Chief Judge, in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter, shall have the sole authority in respect to any question of safety within the isolation and competition area – including, but not limited to declining to give permission to start or continue any part of the competition. Any officials or other persons deemed, by the Chief Judge, to have infringed or, in his/her opinion, likely to infringe safety procedures shall be subject, by the Chief Judge, to summary removal from their duties and/or dismissal from the isolation and competition areas.
- 5.3. Every precaution shall be taken to ensure safety. Each route shall be designed to avoid the possibility of a competitor's fall:
 - a) Injuring the competitor; and or
 - b) Injuring or obstructing any other competitor spectator and or official.
- 5.4. The Chief Judge, the Category Judge and the Chief Coursesetter shall inspect each route prior to the start of each round of a competition in order to ensure the maintenance of safety standards. In particular, the Category Judge and the Chief Coursesetter shall:
 - a) Ensure that all safety equipment and procedures comply with UIAA rules and local by-laws governing these matters;
 - b) The Category Judge shall have the authority to demand the immediate replacement of any belayer (if necessary stopping the competition and declaring a technical incident) and any other person he/she feels jeopardises safety standards;
 - c) In the interest of safety, and in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter and with the approval of the Chief Judge, the Category Judge shall decide whether or not to have the climbing rope pre-fixed to the first (and, where deemed appropriate, other) protection points. Wherever possible, the design of the route should be such as to make such precautions unnecessary.
- 5.5. Before the start of each round of a competition, the Category Judge shall ensure that appropriately qualified medical personnel are in attendance in order to ensure a rapid response to any accident or injury to a competitor or official working inside the competition/isolation zone area.
- 5.6. All equipment used in a competition shall comply with UIAA standards unless otherwise specified below or by the CEC or, under exceptional circumstances, by the Chief Judge through the authority delegated to her/him by the CEC. Within these general requirements:

- a) Competitors shall use a UIAA approved single rope provided by the Organizers. The Category Judge shall decide the frequency with which the rope is changed.
- b) Belayers shall use a locking carabineer and either a UIAA approved Gri Gri or an ATC or similar belay device.
- c) Both Belayers and climbers shall use UIAA approved harnesses secured in the manner specified by the manufacturer of that harness. As a minimum, these harnesses shall be a sit harness (with leg loops and waist belt; no swami belts) or a full body harness, from by a commercial manufacturer (no home-made harnesses);
- d) Under specific circumstances, the Provincial Representative may be instructed by the CEC to carry with him some technical equipment and providing the Organizer with this equipment (i.e. maillon rapide, ropes, etc.) which is not available in their cities. The CEC will charge the cost of this gear to the Competition Organizer.

5.7. Equipping of routes: The following safety precautions shall be observed:

- a) Maillon Rapides and quickdraw slings: Each protection point to be used during a round of a competition shall be equipped with a 'quick-draw' sling and karabiner through which a competitor shall connect the rope. The possibility of cross loading the karabiner must be minimised. The connection link between the 'quickdraw' sling (with no intermediate karabiner) and the protection point shall be made by means of a UIAA approved 10 mm Maillon Rapide.

NOTE: the sleeve of the Maillon Rapide must be closed and tightened in accordance with the manufacturer's approved specification.

- b) Where an extension of a normal quickdraw sling is required, a continuous (machine sewn) tape sling of the same strength (or greater) shall be used in place of the normal, shorter quickdraw. Adhesive tape may be used to hold the loops of the sling together; under no circumstances shall such slings be shortened or adjusted by means of knots. Under no circumstances shall a chain of normal length quickdraws (connected to each other by either Maillon Rapides, or locking or non-locking karabiners) be used. Knotted rope or tape slings shall not be permitted .

5.8. Belaying: At the start of each attempt on a competition route:

- a) Each competitor shall be equipped in accordance with the CEC regulations governing equipment as outlined above in Clause 5.6 of Section Two;
- b) The climbing rope shall be tied to each competitor's climbing harness using a figure of eight knot which itself is secured with a safety knot;
- c) Before the competitor begins their attempt on a route, the belayer shall check (preferably in the transit zone) that the rope is secured to the competitor's harness in accordance with 5.8(a) and 5.8(b) above, and that the harness is properly fastened up;
- d) Before accompanying the competitor to the start of the route, the belayer shall ensure that the rope is coiled in such a manner that it is ready for immediate use;
- e) Difficulty Competitions: the Category Judge shall, in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter, decide whether a belayer should have an assistant at the beginning of the route to provide additional security (i.e. to 'spot') for a competitor during the lower part of their attempt on a route.

5.9. Regarding Difficulty Competitions, each Category Judge shall, in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter, decide whether a belayer should have a spotter at the beginning of the route to

provide additional security for the competitor during the lower part of their attempt on a route. Regarding Speed Competitions, the Category Judge shall, in consultation with the Chief Forerunner, decide whether a belayer should have an assistant to provide additional security in taking in a top-roped competitor.

5.10. The belayers must at all times during a competitor's attempt on a route pay careful attention to the progress of the competitor to ensure:

- a) That the competitor's movements are not hindered in any way by the rope being too tight;
- b) That when the competitor attempts to connect the rope to any protection point he/she is not hindered in doing so or, if failing to make the connection of the rope to the protection point, any excessive slack in the rope is immediately taken in;
- c) That all falls are stopped in a dynamic and safe manner;
- d) That no excessive fall shall be experienced by the competitor being belayed;
- e) That great care be taken to ensure that in stopping a fall a competitor shall not be exposed to injury caused by the edge of an overlapping section or any other feature of the climbing wall.

5.11. On connecting the rope to the final protection point (quickdraw) or in having stopped a fall, the competitor shall be lowered to the ground. Care shall be taken to ensure that the competitor does not come into contact with any ground-based equipment.

5.12. Whilst the competitor is untying the rope from their harness, the belayer shall pull the rope down in as fast a manner as is consistent with the quick-draws not being unduly disturbed. It is the responsibility of the belayer to ensure that the competitor vacate the climbing zone as quickly as possible.

5.13. The Category Judge shall be authorised to instruct the Competition Organizer to replace any belayer at any time during the round of a competition. If replaced, the belayer shall not be permitted to play any further part in the belaying of any competitor at that competition.

5.14. If there are reasons to believe that a competitor is unfit to compete for any reason (for example injury or illness) then the Chief Judge has the authority to request a check-up of the competitor by the Organization's medical personnel who will proceed with the approved physical tests. If, following the results of these tests, the Organization's medical personnel is of the opinion that the competitor is unfit to compete then the Chief Judge may stop the competitor from competing. Should there, at a later stage, be evidence that the climber has recovered, then he or she may request to undergo the approved physical tests again.

5.15 Under no circumstances shall special provisions be made at the request of any climber, e.g. descent to the ground from the top of the boulder problem by a ladder.

6. HEIGHT MEASUREMENT AND TIME KEEPING

6.1. The Competition Organizer shall arrange for an experienced team specifically responsible for providing a height measurement, time keeping and results service for each round of the competition, when not provided by the CEC itself.

6.2. The height measurement team shall provide, in consultation with and the approval of the Chief Coursesetter, a topographical outline ('Topo') of each route of the competition showing the position and height (in the case of traverse sections, distance along the axis of a route) of each hold and protection point on the route. These 'topos' shall only be made available to the Chief Judge and the Category Judge.

7. RESULTS SERVICE

7.1. The Competition Organizer shall ensure that a public information display system updating the progress of each competitor and the current ranking of the leading competitors is installed for the duration of the competition.

7.2. At the entry of each competitor, shall provide information on the name of the competitor and her/his nationality.

7.3. At the end of each round of the competition, the Category Judge shall be immediately provided with a complete and fully ranked list of competitors. Once this information has been checked (and, where necessary, amended) and officially approved in writing by the Category Judge and the Chief Judge then the final ranking shall be made available for publication.

7.4. Official Results Lists: Shall be produced by the height measurement and results service team. All results lists should be in printed form; hand-written lists or sections of lists shall not be permitted.

7.5. The results list of each round of the competition shall be printed on an CEC-approved results form and shall include the following information:

- a) The approved CEC heading and logo;
- b) The title of the competition;
- c) City and Province of the competition;
- d) The type of competition (e.g. CEC Local Open Difficulty Competition);
- e) Date of the competition;
- f) The title of the round of the competition (e.g. Men's Final);
- g) When the round of the competition takes place on one or more parallel routes, the results for each route should be clearly identified (e.g. Route A).
- h) The names, official status and signatures of the presiding officials; i.e. Chief Judge, Category Judge and Route Judge and a space for each of their signatures.
- i) Time of day when the ranking has been published

7.6. End-of-round list of the competitors results shall include the following information:

- a) Rank position of each competitor in descending order;
- b) Family name (upper case letters) of each competitor;
- c) First name (except for the first letter - lower case letters) of each competitor; and
- d) Province and City of residence of each competitor.

7.7. The final (end-of competition) results list shall include all the items listed in 7.6 above and the following additional information:

- a) Against each competitor's name, the heights attained in each of the previous rounds of the competition in which he/she competed; and
- b) Complete results of each round of the competition.

7.8. No other information other than that specified above shall be included on any official results list except where specifically approved by the CEC.

7.9. Following the approval of the results for each round of the competition (including the final or super-final round), a complete copy of the results shall be immediately issued to:

- a) Chief Judge;
- b) Category Judge;
- c) Provincial Representative;
- d) Team Managers -or in the case of a team not having a team manager, a nominated team competitor;
- e) Press office (if any);
- f) Public information operator (if any).

8. COMPETITION STARTING LISTS

8.1. The starting list of the opening round shall be compiled and published on the venues front door by noon on the day preceding the technical meeting for the event. The starting list might be amended (due to absences) during the technical meeting on the day preceding the competition, in accordance with the Section Three, Competition Regulations, governing the particular type of Competition and:

- a) Issued to those listed in 7.9 above;
- b) Published on the official notice board and on other notice boards (e.g. the principal hotels at which the team managers and competitors are staying).

The starting list for each following round of the competition shall be compiled within 30 minutes of the completion of the previous round of a competition, in accordance with the same regulations as above.

8.2. Each starting list shall also contain information on the next round of the competition including:

- a) Opening and closing time of the isolation zone for the next round of the competition;
- b) Starting time of the next round of the competition;
- c) Any other information approved by the CEC and/or the Chief Judge.

8.3. Method of Compiling Starting Lists:

- a) Where the opening round of a competition for each category takes place on a single route, the starting order for this round shall be determined by random selection.
- b) Starting order for the rounds following the opening round: Except as specified below, the starting order shall be determined by the reverse order of the ranking of the previous round (i.e.

the first shall start last). In the case of tied competitors from a previous round, the starting order between them shall be made through random selection.

c) Superfinal: The starting order shall be the same as for the final round of the competition.

9. MEDICAL FACILITIES

9.1. The Competition Organizer shall arrange for a skilled and experienced medical team to be available throughout the whole of the competition (starting when the isolation zone opens, until the last competitor has completed his/her attempt on the route). Either the presence of a certified individual trained in St. John's Ambulance First Aid and CPR, or the presence of a Registered Nurse is mandatory. During every competitor's attempt on a route, he/she and qualified, experienced and equipped members of the medical team should remain within, or in very close proximity to, the competition area in order to provide a rapid response following any injury or need for medical attention.

9.2. As a minimum, a private and easily accessible medical room should be provided and equipped to deal with non-major ailments and injuries.

9.3. Arrangements should be made and tested in practice to ensure that any serious accident to a competitor, official, member of the public and/or any other person will be dealt with in an efficient and professional manner.

10. DRUG TESTING

10.1. If requested by the CEC, the Competition Organizer shall arrange for drug testing to be carried out in accordance with Section Six of these Rules and Regulations.

11. TELEVISION COVERAGE

11.1. The CEC reserves the right to appoint an Organization to provide television coverage of the competition. In which case:

a) The CEC shall be entirely responsible for all costs incurred in providing such coverage;

b) The Competition Organizer shall provide free access to the CEC's nominated television Organization and shall provide all reasonable assistance in enabling that Organization to provide professional coverage of all aspects of the competition. The conditions underlying this appointment shall be specified in the agreement between the CEC and the Competition Organizer.

11.2. Where the CEC elects not to exercise its right to appoint an Organization to provide television coverage, the Competition Organizer shall comply with the relevant sections of the CEC sanctioning agreement between the CEC and Competition Organizer. The Competition Organizer shall be required to keep the CEC fully informed of all arrangements in respect to television coverage.

11.3. Copy of the possible (edited) tapes (in a professional format) shall be sent to the CEC for future internal or promotional purposes.

12. MEDIA FACILITIES

12.1. Press Office: For National Competitions, and National Championships, the Competition Organizer shall provide a Press Officer, a press office and appropriate staffing to service the needs of the press personnel registered and having official status at the competition. The press office shall be equipped to provide journalists, other media personnel and the Provincial Representative with the following facilities:

- a) Appropriate working space;
- b) At least one telephone;
- c) At least one fax machine;
- d) At least one photocopier machine.
- e) Full and relevant background information on the competition and each competitor;
- f) Copies of the starting lists, interim and final results and, at the completion of the competition, the updated CEC Registry ranking.

12.2. Interview Area: For National Competitions, and National Championships, the Competition Organizer shall provide a separate, reasonably quiet and comfortable area/room to enable interviews to take place. This facility should be in reasonably close proximity to the competition climbing wall area.

NOTE: Interviews by public address, press and/or television interviewers in front of the climbing wall during the competition (or carried out in such a manner as to delay the competition) shall not be permitted.

12.3. Photographers: Dedicated space shall be provided on each side of the competition area to accommodate photographers. Where possible, elevated areas shall be provided to enable photographers to obtain non-ground based pictures.

NOTE: Under no circumstances shall photographers (professional or amateur) or any other non-authorized personnel be permitted to enter the competition area except with the specific approval of the Chief Judge. Any flash or other photography that might be liable to distract or interfere with a competitor during their attempt on a route shall not be permitted.

12.4. Television Camera Crews: With the approval of the Chief Judge, television camera crews may be permitted to operate in the competition wall area. They shall be allowed to do so on the understanding that:

- a) They do not distract or interfere with a competitor during their preparation for, or their attempt on, a route;
- b) They do not distract or interfere with the belayer and her/his assistant;
- c) That any mechanical equipment used to support camera crews and equipment does not interfere with the competitors and/or belayers. Special care shall be taken to ensure that any fall does not result in a competitor coming into contact with any television personnel, television cameras or associated equipment.
- d) That all camera crew personnel obey immediately any instruction given to them by a Category Judge and/or the Chief Judge;

e) Television camera crews may operate from the top of the wall subject to the approval of the Chief Judge, no use of excessive or changing lighting patterns, or any activities which might interfere with a competitor during their attempt on a route, shall be permitted.

f) Interviews: Clause 12.2 above shall be observed at all times.

12.5. Access to the Isolation Zone: Television camera crews and photographers may only be allowed into the isolation zone (but not the transit zone) with the specific permission of the Chief Judge. Whilst in the isolation zone, each camera crew and photographer must be accompanied and supervised by an official of the Competition Organizer to ensure that the security of the isolation zone is at all times maintained and that competitors do not suffer any unwanted interference or distraction.

13. INSURANCE

13.1. The Competition Organizer shall ensure, and provide evidence, that the insurance coverage for the competition is in strict compliance with all national and provincial regulations regarding competition climbing sporting events.

14. AWARD CEREMONIES

14.1. There shall be a competitors award ceremony at the end of the competition.

14.2. Unless specifically authorised by the Chief Judge, all competitors shall attend the opening, award and closing ceremonies. Failure to observe this regulation shall make a competitor liable to a 'Yellow Card' sanction, or in the case of the three best ranked competitors of each category, to a 'Red Card' sanction.

15. COMPETITION COST, PRIZE MONEY AND AWARDS

15.1. The Competition Organizer shall be solely responsible for all costs associated with organising and running the competition and the provision and award of prize money and trophies (except the award of an official CEC trophy if any) as specified in the agreement between the CEC and the Competition Organizer unless the CEC has agreed to assist the Competition Organizer monetarily in said agreement.

SECTION THREE

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

PART I - GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. CLIMBING WALL

- 1.1. All competitions sanctioned by the CEC shall take place on artificial climbing walls having those minimum specifications as set out on the attached Exhibit I for the specific type of competition.
- 1.2. The entire surface of the climbing wall shall be permitted to be used for climbing except the holes created for the placement of bolt-on holds may not be used by the competitor's hands.
- 1.3. Neither the side-edges nor the top-edge of the wall shall be used for climbing unless specifically stated in the technical meeting before the commencement of climbing on that wall.
- 1.4. If there is a need to demarcate a route on the wall in order to clearly separate it from another, the demarcation shall be made using a continuous and clearly identifiable marking.
- 1.5. The starting line for beginning an attempt on a route must be clearly marked.

2. TYPES OF COMPETITION

2.1. Definitions:

- a) **Difficulty Competitions:** Are defined as those competitions which are climbed on lead, with the competitor belayed from below, where each quickdraw is clipped sequentially in accordance with the regulations, and where the height attained (or, in the case of traverse or roof sections, the greatest distance along the axis of the route) shall determine a competitor's position in a round of the competition;
- b) **Speed Competitions:** Are defined as those competitions which are attempted by top-roped competitors, where the time achieved by the competitor in completing a route determines a competitor's position in a round of the competition;
- c) **Bouldering Competitions:** Are defined as those competitions consisting of a number of individual technical climbing problems. Subject to the question of safety, each problem shall be attempted either with belayed protection (from above or below) or shall be attempted without belayed protection. The aggregate number of points achieved by a competitor shall determine a competitor's position in a round of the competition.

2.2. Difficulty competitions may include routes which are attempted:

- a) **On-sight:** attempted after an authorised period of observation of the route;
- b) After demonstration of the route by an authorised forerunner ("flash"); or
- c) After authorised practice("after work")..

2.3. Speed Competitions include routes which are attempted after demonstration of the routes given by an authorised forerunner;

3. SAFETY

3.1 Safety matters are dealt with under Clause 5 of Section Two, Competition Organization.

4. REGISTRATION AND ISOLATION ZONE

4.1. All competitors eligible to compete in a round of a competition shall register and enter the isolation zone no later than the time specified by the Chief Judge and published/announced by the Competition Organizer. It is the responsibility of each team manager to ensure that he/she is fully informed of all details pertaining to a competition.

No competitor or Team Official is permitted to possess or use a cellular phone or similar electronic communication equipment; or a camera, video-camera or similar recording equipment in the isolation zone.

4.2. Only those persons specified below shall be permitted to enter the isolation zone:

- a) CEC Officials;
- b) Competition Organizer's officials;
- c) Competitors eligible to take part in the current round of the competition;
- d) Authorised team officials; and
- e) Other persons specifically authorised by the Chief Judge. Such persons shall, throughout their stay in the isolation zone, be escorted and supervised by an approved official to ensure the maintenance of security of the isolation zone and prevent any undue distraction of, or interference with, any competitor.

Animals shall not be allowed in the isolation zone.

5. ROUTE OBSERVATION AND PRACTICE

5.1. Observation Period: Except where otherwise specified in the regulations governing Difficulty, Speed and Bouldering competitions, competitors who are registered to take part in a particular round of the competition heat shall be permitted an observation period before the start of a competition during which they shall be allowed to study the route. Team officials shall not be permitted to accompany the competitors during the observation period. While in the observation area, all competitors shall consider themselves as being under the regulations governing the isolation zone.

5.2. The observation period shall be decided by the Chief Judge in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter and should normally not exceed six (6) minutes for each route. In the case of unusually long routes, the period may be extended.

5.3. Competitors must remain within the designated observation zone during the observation period. They are not permitted to climb on the climbing wall or stand on any equipment or furniture.

Competitors shall not communicate in any way with any person outside the observation area. They may only seek clarification from either the Chief Judge or from the Category Judge.

- 5.4. During the observation period, competitors may use binoculars to observe the route and make hand-drawn sketches and notes. No other observation or recording equipment shall be permitted. Competitors are allowed to touch only the Start hold, without leaving the ground with either or both feet. It is the sole responsibility of each competitor to fully inform him/herself (within the regulations) in respect to all instructions that are required to undertake regarding the route.
- 5.5. Competitors shall have no knowledge of any route other than that obtained during the official observation period.
- 5.6. At the end of the observation period competitors shall immediately return to the isolation zone. Any undue delay to do so may result in the immediate award of a 'Yellow Card'; any further delay shall result in immediate disqualification in accordance with the Section Four, Disciplinary Procedures During Competitions.
- 5.7. Practised (worked) routes: Where pre-practised (worked) routes form part of the competition, the Chief Judge - in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter - shall decide the timetable, procedure and duration of the competitors practice periods.

6. PREPARATION PRIOR TO CLIMBING

- 6.1. On receiving an official instruction to leave the isolation zone to proceed to the transit zone, competitors shall not be accompanied by any person other than an authorised official.
- 6.2. On arrival in the transit zone, each competitor shall put on their climbing shoes, tie on to the rope with the approved "figure of eight" knot, and make all final preparations for their attempt on a route.
- 6.3. All climbing equipment and the knot used shall be inspected and approved by an authorised official both for safety and compliance with these CEC Rules and Regulations before the competitor shall be permitted to proceed to their attempt on their route.
The approved knot is the "figure of eight" knot, which is itself secured with a safety knot.
Each competitor shall be entirely and solely responsible for the equipment and clothing that he/she intends to wear during their attempt on a route.
Use of non-approved equipment, knots and/or clothing, or any non-approved modification of the climbing jersey, or any non-compliance of the advertising regulations, or any infringement of any part of the CEC regulations shall make the competitor liable for immediate disqualification. Under no circumstances shall competitors be permitted to return to the isolation zone after leaving for the transit area.
- 6.4. Each competitor shall be ready to leave the transit zone and enter the competition area when instructed to do so. Any undue delay to do so may result in the immediate award of a 'Yellow Card'; any further delay shall result in immediate disqualification in accordance with the Section Four, Disciplinary Procedures During Competitions.

7. WALL MAINTENANCE

- 7.1. The Chief Coursesetter shall ensure that an experienced and practised maintenance team is available throughout each round of the competition in order to perform any maintenance and repairs ordered by the Category Judge in an efficient and safe manner. Safety procedures shall be strictly enforced. The Chief Judge shall be authorised to demand the dismissal from the competition area of any person who fails to observe safety procedures.
- 7.2. Repair of holds: On the instruction of the Category Judge, the Chief Coursesetter shall immediately arrange for any repair work. On completion of a repair, it shall be inspected by the Chief Coursesetter who shall advise the Chief Judge whether the repair results in any unfair advantage or disadvantage to the following competitors. The decision of the Chief Judge to continue, or to stop and re-start, that round of the competition shall be final and no appeal shall be accepted in respect to this decision.
- 7.3. Cleaning of the holds: The frequency and method of cleaning the holds on the climbing wall shall be decided by the Category Judge (in consultation with the Chief Coursesetter) before the start of each round of the competition and be announced to the competitors during the technical meeting preceding the observation of the routes.

8. TECHNICAL INCIDENTS

- 8.1 A technical incident is defined as:
 - a) A tight rope which either assists or hinders a competitor;
 - b) A broken or loose hold;
 - c) An improperly positioned quickdraw or karabiner;
 - d) Any other occurrence that results in a disadvantage or unfair advantage to a competitor which is not the result of an action on the part of the competitor;
- 8.2 The belayer must leave an appropriate amount of slack in the rope at all times. Any tension on the rope may be deemed as an artificial aid or hindrance to a competitor and a technical incident shall be declared by the Category Judge.
- 8.3 A technical incident shall be dealt with as follows:
 - a) If a technical incident is indicated by the Category Judge:
 - (i) If the competitor wishes, and is still in a legitimate position, he/she may choose to
 - (ii) continue to climb or accept the technical incident. If the competitor chooses to continue to attempt the route no further appeal connected with that technical incident shall be accepted;
 - (iii) If the competitor is in a non-legitimate position due to the technical incident, the Category Judge shall make an immediate decision on whether to declare a technical incident and thereby terminate the competitor's attempt on the route (and in accordance with the rules governing technical incidents, permit the competitor a subsequent attempt).

- b) If a technical incident is indicated by a competitor:
 - (i) While the competitor is climbing , the competitor must specify the nature of the technical incident and, with the agreement of the Category Judge, may continue or cease climbing. If the competitor elects to continue to climb, no subsequent appeal shall be accepted in respect to that technical incident. If the competitor is in a non-legitimate position due to the incident the Category Judge shall make an immediate decision and that decision shall be final.
 - (ii) If a competitor falls and claims that a technical incident precipitated the fall, the competitor shall be immediately escorted to the special isolation zone to await the outcome of the investigation of the claimed technical incident. The Chief Coursesetter shall immediately check (and where appropriate correct) the claimed technical incident and report to the Chief Coursesetter, Category Judge and the Chief Judge. The decision of the Chief Judge (having taken into account the technical incident and any misuse of a hold by a competitor) shall be final and no appeal shall be accepted in respect to this decision.
- c) The competitor subject to a confirmed technical incident shall be allowed a recuperation period in a separate isolation zone and must not be permitted to come into contact with any other person other than a CEC official or a Competition Organizer's official. The competitor must decide immediately when he/she wishes to start his/her next attempt on the route which must be either after the following competitor and before the fifth following competitor. If less than four competitors remain in the round the competitor shall be allowed to request up to a maximum of 20 minutes between attempts on the route;
- d) On completion of a legitimate attempt on a route, a competitor shall be recorded as having achieved the best result of their permitted attempts on the route.

9. RANKING AFTER EACH ROUND

- 9.1. The ranking after each round of a Difficulty, Speed or Bouldering competition shall be determined in accordance with the relevant regulations governing that form of competition.

10. TERMINATION OF AN ATTEMPT ON A ROUTE

- 10.1. A competitor's attempt on a route shall be terminated in accordance with the relevant regulations governing that form of competition.
- 10.2. A competitor shall be permitted to down-climb at any time during their attempt on a route as long as he/she is not in violation of regulations governing the termination of an attempt on a route.

PART II. - DIFFICULTY COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. These regulations shall be read in conjunction with Section Three, General Regulations.
- 1.2. All Difficulty competition routes shall be climbed on-lead with the competitor belayed from below. CEC sanctioned Youth competitions require that certain age groups be top roped as set out in Exhibit I.
- 1.3. Other than for top roped competitors, as provided in the second paragraph of this clause, a route shall be considered successfully completed if it is climbed in accordance with the regulations and rules governing Difficulty competitions and if the competitor from a legitimate position safely clips the rope into the karabiner on the final quickdraw.

Routes for top-roped Youth competitors shall be considered successfully completed if it is climbed in accordance with the regulations and rules governing Difficulty competitions and if the climber has both hands on the final hold and is in control of the final hold.

2. STARTING ORDER

- 2.1 The starting order shall be determined by random selection.
- 2.2 Starting order for the rounds following the opening round: Except as specified below, the starting order shall be determined by the reverse order of the ranking of the previous round (i.e. the first shall start last). In the case of tied competitors from a previous round, the starting order between them shall be made through random selection.
- 2.3 Superfinal: The starting order shall be the same as for the final round of the competition.

3. OBSERVATION PERIOD

- 3.1. In accordance with the General Regulations, competitors (as a group) shall be permitted to observe the on-sight route they are required to attempt.
- 3.2. In the case of the superfinal, the Chief Judge may decide not to permit an observation period.

4. CLIMBING PROCEDURE

- 4.1. Each route shall be allocated a pre-designated period in which a competitor may attempt the route. This time period shall include a 40 second final preparation period, at the base of the route, described in Clause 4.2 below.
- 4.2. On entering the competition area at the base of the climbing wall, the competitor shall be required to immediately step over the official start line. At that point, the Category Judge shall start (or give instruction to start) the recording of the time taken by a competitor in attempting the route.

Each competitor shall be permitted 40 seconds to prepare for their attempt on the route. If the competitor has not started their attempt at the end of this 40 second period they shall be instructed to start immediately. The 40 second final observation period shall be part of the overall time for the route. Any further delay shall make the competitor liable to the disciplinary procedures specified in Section Four, Disciplinary Procedures During Competitions.

- 4.3. Each competitor's attempt shall be deemed to have started when both feet have left the ground.
- 4.4. A competitor may ask the Category Judge at any time during their attempt on their route how much of their allotted route-time remains, and the Category Judge shall immediately inform the competitor of the remaining time. The Category Judge shall also inform a competitor when only 60 seconds of the allocated route-time remains. When the route-time has ended, the Category Judge shall stop the competitor and instruct the measurement procedure to take place. A competitor who fails to obey the Category Judge's instruction to stop climbing shall be liable to the disciplinary procedures specified in Section Four, Disciplinary Procedures During Competitions.
- 4.5. During their attempt on a route:
 - a) Each competitor shall snaplink each karabiner/quickdraw in sequence. Each karabiner must be snaplinked before either: (1) in the case of a vertical ascent, the lowest part of the competitor's body has moved above the lowest karabiner connected to a quickdraw; or (2) in the case of a traverse or roof section of the route, all of the competitor's body has moved beyond an unclipped karabiner/quickdraw in the line of the route as defined by the Chief Coursesetter. Any violation of this rule shall result in the competitor's attempt on the route being terminated and a measurement taken in accordance with Clause 5 Part II, of Section Three below. The refusal by a competitor to obey the instruction of a Category Judge to terminate their attempt on a route shall make the competitor liable to the disciplinary procedures specified in Section Four, Disciplinary Procedures During Competitions.
 - b) In special circumstances (e.g. in the interests of safety) the Chief Judge shall be authorised to amend Clause 4.5(a) above for a particular route; in this case the last legitimate position from which to clip is the last hold from which the competitor can clip without down climbing or back climbing. In order for this amendment to be effective, the Chief Judge must have verbally advised of same at the competitor's meeting before commencement of climbing on that route.
 - c) A competitor may down-climb at any point during their attempt on a route as long as he/she is not in violation of Clause 4.5.a) or b) or does not return to the ground.
 - d) Where a competitor clips the rope into a karabiner in accordance with Clause 4.5(a) above but where some technical error has occurred (including but not limited to a "Z" clip), the competitor shall be permitted to clip the next karabiner in sequence and then unclip and re-clip (if necessary, by down-climbing) the previous karabiner. At the end, all the protection points must be clipped in.

The Category Judge may order that the attempt be terminated and the greatest height (or greatest distance) measured if he/she decides that to proceed further would contravene Clause 5 of Section Two, Safety.

5. HEIGHT MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. In accordance with Clause 8 below, in the event of a fall or the Category Judge instructing a competitor to stop climbing, the highest hold held or touched (or in the case of a traverse or roof section of a route, the furthest hold held or touched), in the line of the route as determined by the Chief Coursesetter, shall be measured. Each hold shall be deemed as such by the Chief Coursesetter before the start of a round of the competition or following positive use by a competitor during that round of the competition.
- 5.2. Only holds used by the hands shall be considered. As determined by the Category Judge, a hold that is 'held' shall be considered as having a higher ranking than a hold that is 'touched':
 - a) A hold that is 'held' shall be given the height of the hold with no suffix;
 - b) A hold that is 'touched' shall be given that height with a minus (-) suffix;
 - c) A hold which is 'held' and from which a climbing movement is made in the interest of progressing along the route shall be given that height of the hold 'held' with a plus (+) suffix.
- 5.3. If a competitor touches a point devoid of holds (as specified by the Chief Coursesetter), this point shall not be included in any measurement of the maximum height (or, in the case of a traverse or roof section of the route, the greatest distance) achieved by the competitor.
- 5.4. If a competitor takes hold of the final quickdraw before the rope is safely clipped into the final karabiner this shall be considered as an artificial aid and the competitor's attempt on the route shall be terminated and measured in accordance with Clause 5.1 and Clause 5.2.

6. RANKING AFTER EACH ROUND OF THE COMPETITION

- 6.1. After each round of the competition, the competitors shall be ranked according to Clause 5.2 of Part II of Section Three.
- 6.2. In the case of tied places, a countback procedure shall be used such that the results of the previous round shall be taken into account in separating tied competitors. If ties remain, successively earlier rounds shall be taken into account in the countback procedure.
- 6.3. When not otherwise specified in the competition format, if a qualifying round of a competition requires that the competitors be allocated between two or more non-identical routes having the same technical grade, for those competitors who do not qualify for the following round, the final ranking shall be determined by the aggregate place achieved on the ranking of the combined routes.
- 6.4. Superfinal: If, after applying the countback procedure at the end of the final round of the competition, there exists a tie for the first place a superfinal shall be held. If a tie exists at the end of a superfinal, the competitors that remain tied shall be deemed equal and the competition will be terminated.

7. QUOTAS FOR EACH ROUND

- 7.1. Clause 7 must be read in conjunction with Clause 6 above; i.e. the ranking procedure must first be completed before Clause 7 is applied.
- 7.2. Where there are insufficient competitors who have successfully completed the route in the preceding round of the competition, the remaining places of the fixed quota shall be filled by the next best ranked competitors.
- 7.3. The fixed quota of competitors qualifying for the semi-final and final shall be in accordance with Exhibit I.
- 7.4. Semi-Final and Final Rounds - Floating Quotas: If the fixed quotas for the semi-final and final rounds of the competition are exceeded as a result of tied places following the application of the countback procedure, the number of competitors nearest to the fixed quota (when calculated from above and below) shall qualify for the next round of the competition. If this number is the same when calculated from above and below, the number of competitors corresponding to the greater quota shall qualify for the final round.

Under special circumstances (e.g. TV live broadcasting requirements), the smaller quota may be taken. The Chief Judge shall announce this decision after consulting the Organizer, in the technical meeting prior to the competition.

8. TERMINATION OF AN ATTEMPT ON A ROUTE

- 8.1. Successful attempt on a route: A competitor shall be deemed to have successfully completed an attempt on a route if that attempt is in accordance with Clause 1.3 above.
- 8.2. Unsuccessful attempt on a route: A competitor shall be deemed to have unsuccessfully completed an attempt in a route if he/she:
 - a) Falls;
 - b) Exceeds the permitted time for the route;
 - c) Touches any part of the wall surface beyond the marked boundaries of the route. If tape is used to demarcate the boundaries of a route, then the entire width of the tape shall be deemed to be outside the boundaries of the route;
 - d) Uses the side-edges or top-edges of the wall;
 - e) Fails to snap link a quickdraw in accordance with regulations governing the competition;
 - f) Once having started, touches the ground with any part of the body;
 - g) Uses any artificial aid.

PART III - BOULDERING COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

These Rules shall be read in conjunction with the CEC General Regulations and Rules in Section Four.

2. GENERAL

- 2.1. Bouldering competitions consist of a series of short routes, usually called problems. All problems shall be climbed without ropes. The number of handholds for each problem shall not exceed 12 and the average number of handholds for each problem shall be between 4 and 8.
- 2.2. All problems shall be protected by landing mats. It is the responsibility of the Chief Coursesetter to decide the size and the position of the mats. If different mats are joined, the mats shall be covered to make it impossible for the climbers to fall in-between them.
- 2.3. Bouldering competitions shall consist of one round, or two rounds, named qualifying and final rounds. In case of unforeseen events the qualification round can be cancelled. For the same reason the number of problems may be reduced at the discretion of the Chief Judge.
- 2.4. The number of problems in the qualification round must be not less than 4 and not more than 8. The minimum number of problems in the final round shall be 6.
- 2.5. For safety reasons, the problems should be made in such a way that the lowest part of the body of the climber shall never be higher than 3 metres above the landing mat.
- 2.6. For safety reasons, downward jumps from one hand hold to the next hand hold shall not be designed.
- 2.7. The Officials for each problem and their qualifications shall be as outlined on Exhibit I.
- 2.8. Each problem shall have a pre-designated starting position from which all attempts must start. It shall consist of at least fixed and marked positions for the two hands, and may include fixed and marked positions for either one or both feet. These starting positions must be clearly marked, and the marking must be the same for all the problems. At the discretion of the Chief Coursesetter the pre-designated starting holds may be labeled left or right.
- 2.9. One bonus point will be awarded for holding a specified hold on the problem. The positioning of this hold will be at the Chief Coursesetter's discretion. This hold must be clearly marked, and the colour used should be different from that used to mark the starting and finishing holds. The bonus point will be awarded also in the case of a climber having successfully completed an attempt of the entire route without having held the bonus hold.

- 2.10. The finishing hold must be clearly marked in the same color as the starting hold(s). In some cases it is possible that successful completion of the problem can be attained by a standing position on the top of the problem.
- 2.11. If necessary, red tape can be used to demarcate the boundaries of a problem. If tape is used to demarcate the boundaries of a route, then the entire width of the tape shall be deemed to be outside the boundaries of the route;
- 2.12. The markings used in points 2.7 to 2.10 will be the same for all the competition. An example must be installed on the isolation zone practice wall.

3. OBSERVATION PERIOD

- 3.1. No separate observation period is allowed as the observation period is part of the allocated time for the problem.
- 3.2. Competitors must remain within the designated observation zone during the observation period. They are not permitted to climb on the climbing wall or stand on any equipment or furniture. Competitors shall not communicate in any way with any person outside the observation area. They may only seek clarification from either the Chief Judge, a Category Judge or one of the Route Judges assigned to the problem. Touching holds other than the starting hold(s) shall be considered an infringement of the Disciplinary Regulations Art. 2.4. a) (i).

4. CLIMBING PROCEDURE

- 4.1. In each round of the competition, competitors must attempt a number of problems. After each problem the climber has a rest-period equal to the allocated problem time. The Chief Judge must announce/publish the number and sequence of problems to be attempted in each round before the start of the round. Each route must include a clearly marked area from which the competitor can see the route. This area must not allow observation of any other routes and must include the safety matting.
- 4.2. Each problem shall be allocated a pre designated period of time, in which a competitor may attempt the route as many times as he/she wants. The period of time for each problem is the same for all problems in a given round. The amount of permitted time must be announced/published by the Chief Judge and must not be less than 4 minutes and no more than 8 minutes. In the final round the permitted time shall be 6 minutes.
- 4.3. The beginning (and ending) of every period of time shall be announced by a loud and clear signal. At this signal the competitors that are climbing must stop climbing and enter the resting area. This area must not allow observation of any other problems. The climber who has finished his/her resting period must move on to the next problem.
- 4.4. An attempt on a problem is deemed to have started when every part of the body of the competitor has left the ground.

- 4.5. The last minute from the allocated time will be announced with a defined signal.
- 4.6. Brushes may be used by competitors to clean holds that may be reached from the ground. Only brushes that are provided by the organization and that are available at every problem must be used for this purpose. Any personal cleaning system is forbidden.
- 4.7. The use of any other substance but chalk can only be authorized by the Chief Judge.
5. END OF AN ATTEMPT
 - 5.1. An attempt is considered successful when the finishing hold is held with both hands and the judge announces "OK".
 - 5.2. An attempt is considered finished in the case of a return to the ground or at the end of the allocated rotation time.
 - 5.3. The competitor will be stopped if he/she trespasses the problem's boundaries or uses a forbidden hold.
6. TECHNICAL INCIDENT
 - 6.1. If the technical incident can be repaired before the end of the current climbing period the climber involved will be offered the opportunity to continue with his/her attempts. If the climber elects to continue then the technical incident is finished and no further appeals shall be allowed. If the climber elects to not continue his/her attempts within the current climbing period then the climber will resume their attempts after completing the competition round. In this instance the Chief Judge will decide when a gap of time has to be made to allow the victim of the technical incident to continue their attempts. The climber will be allowed the time remaining at the moment when the incident occurred, with a minimum of two minutes.
 - 6.2. If the incident can not be repaired before the end of the rotation time, at the signal announcing the end of the rotation time, the round will be stopped for the victim of the incident as well as for all the climbers on the preceding problems. For all the other climbers, the round continues. After repair, the victim of the incident will be allowed the time remaining at the moment the incident occurred, with a minimum of two minutes in a rotation time. After this time, the competition starts again at the rotation signal for all the climbers on the preceding problems.
 - 6.3. In the event of a technical incident occurring, the first attempt taken by the victim of the incident (on the same problem) after the attempt in which the technical incident occurred, shall be deemed a continuation of that attempt.
7. RANKING AFTER EACH ROUND
 - 7.1. After each round of the competition the competitors shall be ranked according to the following criteria :
 - a) The number of successfully completed problems.

- b) The total number of attempts to complete the problems (if completed).
- c) The total number of bonus points.
- d) The total number of attempts to complete these bonus points.

7.2. In the case of tied places, the results of the successively preceding rounds shall be taken into account in the count-back procedure. The countback procedure shall not apply to that round where competitors have competed, split into two or more groups.

7.3. Superfinals: If after applying the count-back procedure there exists a tie for first place at the end of the final round, a superfinal shall be held on one problem. Each competitor will try only one attempt in the same order as for the final. A pre-designated period of time is fixed in accordance with the Chief Coursesetter and the attempt must be started before 40 seconds. The performance of each competitor will be judged following Clause 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 of Difficulty Competition Regulations. After their attempt, they are ranked. If several competitors have reached the top, they are deemed equal and the final ranking is announced. If nobody has reached the top and if there is still a tie, the climbers in first place shall make another attempt following the same procedure until they are separated, up to a maximum of 6 attempts. If a tie exists at the end of the superfinal, the competitors shall be deemed equal.

8. QUOTAS FOR EACH ROUND

8.1. This Clause must be read in conjunction with Clause 7 of these Bouldering Regulations i.e. the ranking procedure must first be completed before Clause 8 applies.

8.2. Where there are insufficient competitors who have successfully completed the problems in the preceding round of the competition, the remaining places of fixed quota shall be filled by the next best-ranked competitors.

8.3. A competition consists of 2 rounds, one qualification round and one final round.

The fixed quota for the final round shall be as set out in Exhibit I. If this quota is exceeded as a result of tied places following the ranking of the qualification round, the number of competitors nearest to the fixed quota (when calculated from below and above the fixed quota) shall qualify for the final round. Where the difference between the fixed quota is identical when calculated from below and above the quota, the greater number of competitors shall qualify.

8.4. If there are two groups in the qualification round, the fixed quota for the next round shall be equally divided and applied to both groups.

9. APPEALS PROCEDURE

9.1. Any appeal against an official decision shall be made in accordance with the CEC Appeals Procedure.

PART IV - SPEED COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. These Regulations shall be read in conjunction with the CEC General Regulations and Rules in Section Four.

1.2. All speed competitions shall be climbed with the competitor secured by means of a top-rope belayed from below. The rope must be a CSA approved single rope.

1.3. Speed competitions shall consist of two stages:

- a) the qualification round of the competition;
- b) the final round of the competition which may consist of an eighth final, and always a quarter final, semi final and final.

2. COMPETITION ROUTES

2.1. Speed competitions shall always consist of two routes that shall be of the same length and of similar profile and difficulty.

2.2. If Qualification and Final rounds are held:

- a) on the same day: the routes for both rounds shall be the same.
- b) on different days: the routes for each rounds may be slightly different. Competitors shall be informed about that in advance.

2.3. The height of a route is recommended to be within 12-20 metres, with the total overhang being less than 5 metres. If the route is stepped, the roof width is recommended to be less than 1 metre.

2.4. Safety

- a) The top rope shall pass through two separate protection points; each consisting of one locking karabiner secured to the protection point by a quick-draw sling and a 10mm Maillon Rapide closed in accordance with the manufacturer's specification.
- b) The position of the final protection points must be above the switch controlling the timing device or finishing signal for the route.
- c) The climbing rope shall be connected to each competitor's harness. Connection must be either:
 - i.) by the approved knot (i.e. tying-in)
 - ii.) or by clipping a pre tied approved knot in the rope to the harness by a screwgate karabiner(s) that minimise the possibility of cross loading and of the possibility of "roll out" of the rope through the gate.

2.5. The position of the protection points shall be such as to neither assist, hinder and/or endanger a competitor during his/her attempt on a route.

2.6. Belaying

- a) Each rope shall be controlled by two belayers.

- b) The belayers shall be situated in a position at the bottom of the wall such as to prevent accidents due to falling holds or other equipment, that may occur during climbing.

2.7. All excess equipment (karabiners, quickdraws, bolts, etc.) shall be removed from the routes.

2.8. The routes should be designed such that the competitors cannot interfere or unduly distract each another. If the axis of the routes is not vertical, they shall be diverted towards opposite directions.

3. ROUTE TIMING

3.1. The time of the route shall be determined by:

- a) A mechanical-electrical switch controlling the route timing system with an accuracy of 0.01 of a second. Should this timing system suffer a failure during any attempt, a technical incident shall be called for both competitors. Hand-timing (manual stop-watches – usually accurate to 0.2 second) shall not be used to determine the result of the attempt.
- b) Manual timing: Each route shall be equipped with a switch operating a red-coloured indicator light and, preferably, an audible signal. Each route shall be timed by a Category Judge and two assistants, each operating a stopwatch. The competitor's time (completing his/her attempt) shall be recorded by the Category Judge taking into account the average of the stop watches, eliminating obvious spurious timing errors.

4. NUMBER OF COMPETITORS, RANKING AND STARTING ORDER

4.1. Each competitor shall be ranked in accordance with the aggregate time achieved on both routes. A competitor shall not be deemed to have successfully completed an attempt on a route if he/she:

- a) Falls;
- b) Exceeds the permitted time for the route;
- c) Touches any part of the wall surface beyond the marked boundaries of the route;
- d) Uses the side-edges or the top edges of the wall;
- e) Once having started, touches the ground with any part of the body; and or
- f) Uses any artificial aid.

4.2. Qualification Round: The starting order of the qualification round shall be set by random selection. Each competitor shall proceed by first climbing Route A (or 1). Following the successful completion of this he/she shall proceed to climb Route B (or 2).

4.3. Qualification Round - Ranking: If a competitor fails to complete one of the routes, he/she shall be eliminated and ranked in last position.

4.4. Final Round - number of competitors:

- a) When the number of competitors entering the Qualification Round is 16 or more then 16 competitors shall qualify for the Final Round;
- b) When the number of competitors entering the Qualification Round is less than 16 then 8 competitors shall qualify for the Final Round.

4.5. Final Round: The Final Rounds shall take place as a series of knock-out rounds, decided on the aggregate time achieved by competitors on both routes.”

Overall results of the losers of the pairs in the eighth final (9-16 places) and in the quarter final (5-8 places) shall be decided in accordance with their times in the heat.

4.6. The starting order for the first set of the Final Round (pairs) shall be set in accordance with the final ranking of the Qualification Round, as follows:

Scheme 1): 16 competitors:

Competitor Ranked			Competitor Ranked	
Heat 1:	1	with	16	
Heat 2:	8	with	9	
Heat 3:	4	with	13	
Heat 4:	5	with	12	
Heat 5:	2	with	15	
Heat 6:	7	with	10	
Heat 7:	3	with	14	
Heat 8:	6	with	11	

Scheme 2) : 8 competitors:

Competitor Ranked			Competitor Ranked	
Heat 1:	1	with	8	
Heat 2:	4	with	5	
Heat 3:	2	with	7	
Heat 4:	3	with	6	

The starting order for other stages of the Final Round is shown by the Schemes 1 and 2 (see Appendix to these Speed Regulations).

4.7. Failure to complete a route in the Final Round:

- a) Semi final and Final heats. If one competitor fails to complete either route they are eliminated and the other competitor is declared the winner of that heat. If both competitors fails to complete both routes then the heat must be re-run immediately.
- b) The third and fourth place heat must always take place and must always produce a winner.
- c) Final. If both competitors in the Final fail to complete both routes, then the Final shall be rerun until a winner is decided.

4.8. Tied competitors:

- a) Qualification Round - if two or more competitors are tied for the last qualifying place in the Final Round none shall proceed into the Final Round. They shall be ranked equally.
- b) Final Round - when two competitors are tied in the semi final and final heats, the winner shall be determined by an additional elimination heat(s) between the two competitors.
- c) Final Round - when two competitors are tied in any other heats the winner shall be determined by their results of the preceding heat of the Final Round or by their results of the Qualification Round (for the first heat of the Final Round).

- 4.9. Preliminary information (ranking place and times of each competitor in each round of the competition) shall be provided to spectators and coaches directly after determining results:
- a) on electronic display (board or screen) or
 - b) by information posters or blackboard, if a) is not possible.

4.10. Overall results shall report the competitors' achieved times on all routes and in all rounds.

5. DEMONSTRATION AND OBSERVATION PERIOD

5.1. Route A shall be demonstrated by Chief Coursesetter twice. First at slow speed, and second at race speed. This will be followed by an observation period (maximum 6 minutes).

5.2. Immediately after 5.1, the same procedure will be repeated for route B.

5.3 Each observation period shall take place in accordance with the General Regulations.

6. PREPARATION PRIOR TO CLIMBING

6.1. Preparation prior to climbing shall be in accordance with the General Regulations.

6.2. Qualification Round: After a successful performance competitors shall return to the isolation zone where they shall remain until the Route Judge requests them to leave it. Competitors qualified for the Final Round, shall stay in the isolation zone after the end of the Qualification Round.

6.3. Final Rounds: When a heat is completed, competitors qualified for the following heat shall return to the isolation zone.

7. CLIMBING PROCEDURE

7.1. On being called to the start of a route by the Category Judge, each competitor shall take up a starting position consisting of one foot on the floor and the other on the first hold, with one or both hands on the first handhold.

7.2. When both competitors are in position, the Category Judge shall ask: "Ready?". After getting confirmation from both competitors, the Category Judge shall call "Attention" and after a short pause (1 - 2 second) the Category Judge shall give a short (0.1-0.2 sec) and loud (clearly) audible starting signal or call "Go!" where manual timing is used.

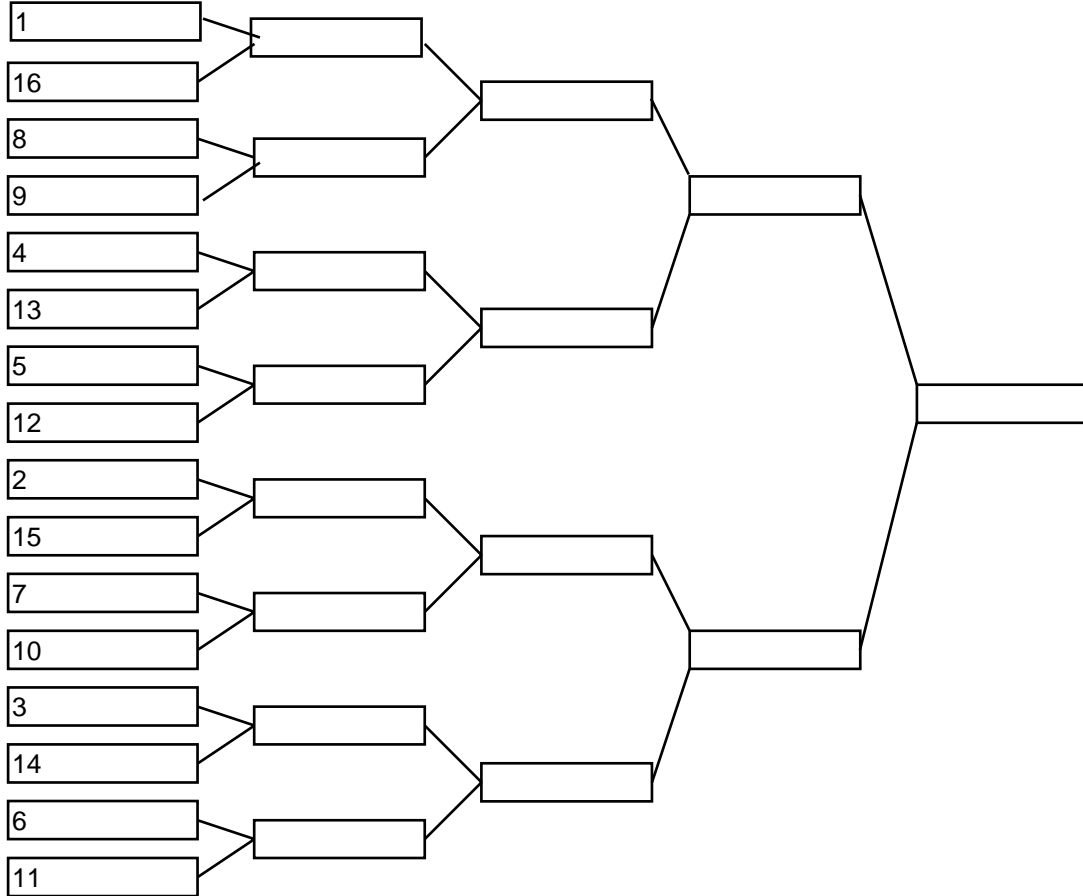
7.3. The position of the starting signal should be equidistant from both competitors.

7.4. On being given the instruction or signal to start, each competitor shall commence his/her attempt on the route. No appeal against the starting instruction shall be allowed unless the competitor clearly calls that he/she is not ready when the Category Judge asks: "Ready?"

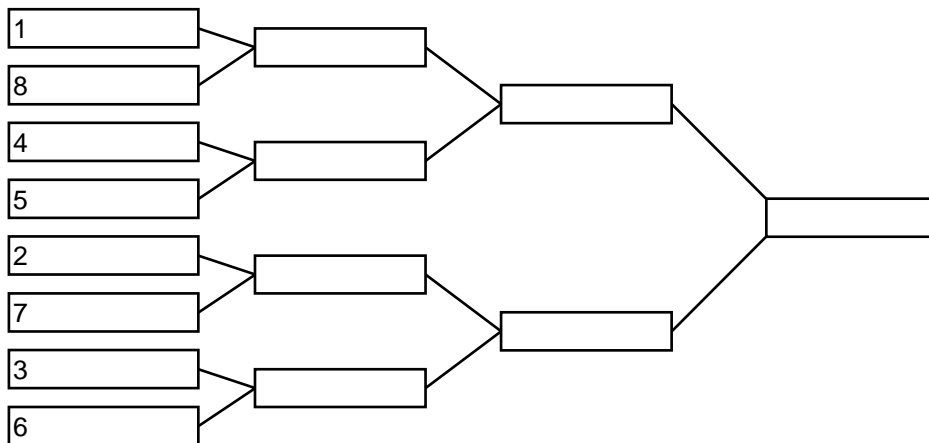
- 7.5. When the Category Judge is giving the starting instructions, there shall not be any kind of noise or other distraction which might prevent the starting signal being clearly heard by competitors and/or Judges.
- 7.6. In the case of a false start, the Route Judge shall stop both competitors immediately. This instruction shall be clear and loud.
A competitor committing two false starts in the same heat is eliminated.
- 7.7. If one competitor suffers a technical incident during any Final Round's heat and interrupts his/her attempt, his/her opponent competitor shall continue to climb, only the competitor who suffered the technical incident shall be allowed to re-start (alone).
- 7.8. At the top of the route each competitor shall stop the timing device by striking the switch with his/her hand.

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Scheme 1) - 16 competitors:



Scheme 2) – 8 competitors



SECTION FOUR

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES DURING COMPETITIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Chief Judge shall have overall authority for all activities and decisions affecting the competition within the competition zone; i.e. the competition registration area, the isolation and transit zones, the competition area immediately in front of the climbing wall and on the climbing wall.
- 1.2. These Disciplinary Regulations should be read in conjunction with the CEC Rules and Regulations governing competition climbing in Canada.

2. COMPETITORS

- 2.1. The Chief Judge and the Category Judge shall be authorised to take the following actions, as specified below, in respect to infringements of the competition regulations and in regard to matters of lack of discipline by any competitor whilst in the competition area:
 - a) Informal, verbal warning;
 - b) An official warning accompanied by the showing of a 'Yellow Card'.

Only the Chief Judge shall be authorised to take the following sanction:

- c) Disqualification from the competition - accompanied by the showing of a 'Red Card'.
- 2.2. A Yellow Card warning, Clause 2.1(b) above, may be issued for any of the following infringements of the regulations
 - a) Undue delay in returning to the isolation zone following the instruction of the Category Judge or the Chief Judge
 - b) Failure to start in accordance with the Category Judge's instruction;
 - c) Failure to obey the instruction of the Category Judge and/or the Chief Judge;
 - d) Use of obscene or abusive language or behaviour of a relatively mild nature;
 - e) Unsporting behaviour of relatively minor nature;

Appeals against such decisions shall follow the procedure specified in Clause 7.

- 2.3. The issue of a second yellow card in one competition, shall determine the disqualification of the competitor from that competition.
The issue of two yellow cards in the same season, will result in one of the following:
 - a) if the competitor is already registered for the next CEC approved competition, counting for the CEC Registry, then the competitor will not be eligible to enter this event.

b) if a) is not applicable, then the competitor is ineligible for registration in the next CEC approved competition, counting for the CEC Registry, in the same discipline the second yellow card was issued.

2.4. Disqualification without Further Sanction: The following infringements of the regulations shall result in issuing of a Red Card and the immediate disqualification of the competitor from the competition without further sanction:

- a) Observing the routes from outside the permitted observation zone;
- b) Failure to report properly equipped at the start of a route;
- c) The use of non-approved equipment;
- d) Unapproved modification of, and/or failure to wear, the competition vest and/or competitor's number as provided by the Competition Organizer.
- e) Unauthorised use of any means of communication while in the isolation zone or in other restricted area

Appeals against such decisions shall follow the procedure specified in Clause 7.

2.5. Disqualification with Immediate referral to the Discipline Commission: The following infringements of the regulations shall result in the issuing of a Red Card and the immediate disqualification of the competitor from the competition along with referral to the Disciplinary Commission, In addition, the competitor shall not be permitted to participate in the next sanctioned competition in the CEC Calendar of Events.

a) Infringements of the regulations committed in the competition area, isolation and transit zones:

- (i) Gathering information regarding a route which the competitor is to attempt beyond that which is permitted by the regulations;
- (ii) Gathering and communicating information to other competitors beyond that which is permitted by the regulations;
- (iii) Distracting or interfering with any competitor who is preparing for, or in the process of attempting, a route;
- (iv) Failure to comply with the instructions of the official judges and/or Organizer's officials;
- (vi) Non-participation in any official ceremony or any other designated official event;
- (vii) Refusal to conform with the advertising regulations governing competitor's clothing.
- (viii) Unsporting behaviour or other serious disturbance to the competition;
- (ix) Unsporting behaviour or other serious disturbance, and/or abusive, insulting and/or violent words and/or behaviour to CEC officials, the Competition Organizer's officials and/or team officials and/or other competitors and/or members of the public.

b) Infringements committed outside the competition area but in the public arena:

- (i) Unsporting behaviour or other serious disturbance to the competition;
- (ii) Unsporting behaviour or other serious disturbance, and/or abusive, insulting and/or violent words and/or behaviour to CEC officials, Competition Organizer's officials and/or team officials and/or other competitors and/or members of the public.

2.6. At the earliest convenient time after issuing a 'Yellow' or 'Red Card', the Chief Judge shall:

- a) Submit a written statement to the competitor's team manager (or in the absence of a team manager, to the competitor concerned) regarding the offence and whether the Chief Judge proposes to refer the matter for consideration in respect to further disciplinary action in accordance with the regulations.
- b) The Chief Judge shall submit a copy of this written statement together with a detailed report of the offence against the regulations, any evidence, and any recommendations regarding consideration of additional sanction to the CEC for referral to the CEC's Disciplinary Commission.

3. TEAM OFFICIALS

3.1. Team officials shall be regarded in the same manner as competitors and shall be treated accordingly.

4. OTHER PERSONS

4.1. The Chief Judge shall be authorised to demand the immediate dismissal from the competition area (including the isolation and transit zones) of any person in contravention of the regulations and, if necessary, suspend all competition activities until this demand has been complied with.

SECTION FIVE

COMPETITION APPEALS PROCEDURE

1. GENERAL

- 1.1. All oral and written appeals and official responses to appeals shall be made in English.
- 1.2. An appeal shall only be accepted if accompanied by the official appeal fee of \$50.00 Canadian.

2. COMPETITION APPEALS JURY

- 2.1. In the event of a written appeal, or in the case of a verbal appeal in the case of Clause 3.1. and 4.2(b) of these Procedures, the Chief Judge shall convene an Appeals Jury. The members of the Appeal Jury will be the Chief Judge, the Provincial Representative and the Chief Coursetter. If the Chief Judge has been involved in the original decision and the Category Judge has not, then the Category Judge will take the place of the Chief Judge. If the Jury can not come to a unanimous decision on the appeal, the original decision will stand. A decision shall be made as rapidly as circumstances allow. In the case of written appeals, the decision of the Appeal Jury shall be made in writing and handed by the Chief Judge to the person who officially lodged the appeal or, in the case of an appeal under 4.2(b) below the team manager and/or competitor shall be informed..
- 2.2. The decision of the Appeal Jury in respect to Clause 3 and 4 below of these regulations shall be final and not subject to further appeal.

3. APPEALS AGAINST A JUDGE'S DECISION CONCERNING A COMPETITOR'S ATTEMPT ON A ROUTE

- 3.1. In respect to an appeal regarding Clause 10 of Part I of Section Three, entitled "Termination of an Attempt on a Route", this may be made to the Category Judge, who will immediately inform the Chief Judge, in order to proceed in accordance with the above procedure.

4. APPEALS FOLLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THE RESULTS OF EACH ROUND

- 4.1. 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 only following the publication of the results at the end of each round of a competition. The appeal shall be made in writing (in English) to the Chief Judge by the team manager or (where an official team manager is not present) by the competitor. The appeal must be accompanied by the relevant CEC-approved appeal fee of \$50.00 Canadian.

4.2. Speed Competitions:

- a) In the case of a round based on a competitor's time (i.e. the qualification round), an appeal must be made in accordance with 4.1 above.
- b) In the case of the final ('knock-out' elimination) round of the competition, an appeal must be made immediately after the announcement of the result of the completion of the heat of the competitor concerned. The Category Judge shall immediately refer the matter to the Chief Judge. The next round of the Speed final shall not commence until the Chief Judge has announced his/her decision. No fee shall be payable in respect to such appeals.

5. APPEALS TO THE DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION

- 5.1. In those cases where the Chief Judge assesses that an infringement of the regulations merits consideration by the CEC's Disciplinary Commission, the matter shall be referred to the disciplinary body together with the Chief Judge's report, copies of written communications between the Chief Judge and the team manager/competitor concerned, and all relevant evidence.

6. DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION

- 6.1. The composition and the procedures of the Disciplinary Commission shall be those members of the Board of Directors of the CEC.

7. APPEAL FEES

- 7.1. The appeal fees payable shall be \$50.00 Canadian.
- 7.2. If an appeal is upheld, the appeal fee shall be returned. If an appeal is rejected, the appeal fee shall not be returned.

SECTION SIX

OLYMPIC MOVEMENT ANTI-DOPING CODE

1. ADOPTION

The CEC along with the UIAA, being the International Federation recognised by the IOC for mountaineering and climbing, herewith adopts the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code. The adoption includes the present Code as well as future changes that might be decided by the IOC.

2. APPLICATION

The Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code applies to all competitions that are organized under the authority of the CEC. Any person who enters, prepares for or participates in any manner - as athlete, coach, trainer, official, medical or para-medical personnel - in such competitions is presumed to have agreed to comply with the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code.

3. COMPETENT BODIES

The competent body for the application of the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code in Canada with respect to Competition Climbing is the CEC.

The CEC may delegate this authority to a permanent working group including medical experts, preferably from those recognized in sport medicine by Sport Canada.

4. PROHIBITED CLASSES OF SUBSTANCES AND PROHIBITED METHODS

The list of prohibited classes of substances and prohibited methods in the Olympic Anti-Doping Code as well as future amendments to said list are applicable. In addition to chapter III of said list (Classes of prohibited substances in certain circumstances) the following is laid down:

A. Alcohol.

In-competition tests will be conducted for ethanol.

B. Cannabinoids

In-competition tests will be conducted for cannabinoids. A concentration > 15 nanogram/ml constitutes doping.

C. Local anaesthetics.

Notification of administration to the relevant medical authority is necessary.

D. Glucocorticosteroids

Notification of administration to the relevant medical authority is necessary.

E. B-blockers.

In-competition tests will be conducted for B-blockers.

5. OUT-OF-COMPETITIONS-TESTS

The CEC undertakes to do Out-of-Competition-Tests in accordance with the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code.

6. PENALTIES FOR INFRACTIONS

The penalties for infractions as outlined in Chapter II of the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code are applicable without restriction.

7. COMPETENT ORGANS TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS AND RIGHT OF APPEAL

The Disciplinary Commission of the CEC is the organ competent to impose sanctions for infractions of the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code.

Any person afflicted by a decision rendered by the Disciplinary Commission in application of the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code has the right of appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, CH - 1001 Lausanne, Switzerland, in accordance with Chapter III of the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code.

By participating according to Clause 2 of the present Regulations in competitions organized under the authority of the CEC, the participant acknowledges the exclusive competence of the Court of Arbitration for Sport and undertakes to refrain from appealing to any other Court.

EXHIBIT I
To the 2003 CEC Rules and Regulations
For Canadian Competition Climbing Competitions

MINIMUM COMPETITION COMPONENTS

The following sections are the minimum competition components for the different levels of competitions sanctioned by the CEC. Section One sets out the Open Competition Components; Section Two sets out the Youth Competition Components; Section Three is the Quota system used for advancement from one round of competition to the next; and Section Four sets out how to become a member of the CEC.

SECTION ONE - OPEN COMPETITIONS

For each of the different levels of competitions in the Open Division, the following shall apply:

Participation:	No restrictions
CEC Registry	To have points tracked in the CEC Registry, participants must have a Competitive CEC membership or be a member of the USCCA
Quotas	Advancement from one round of competition to the next is based on the Quota system outlined in Section Three below. If no Semi Finals, then the number of competitors advancing from the Qualifiers to the Finals will be the number set out under the heading “# of Competitors advancing to Final Round”.

Open Local

	Difficulty	Bouldering
Format:	On-sight final round.	Any format approved by CEC. Must have independent Route Judges on each route.
Minimum Officials:	Chief Judge, two Category Judges, and Chief Coursesetter	Chief Judge, two Category Judges, and Chief Coursesetter
Routes:	Min. eight metres long with min. overall wall height of six metres	As per ICC Regulations
Sanctioning Notice:	Minimum four weeks or one (1) month prior to event	Minimum four weeks or one (1) month prior to event
Sanctioning Fee:	\$50 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)	\$50 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)

Open Regional

	Difficulty	Bouldering
Format:	On-sight Final round; minimum Flash Semi-final round	Any format approved by CEC. Must have CEC approved Category Judge on each route.
Minimum Officials:	Chief Judge (with min. Regional Level certification), two Category Judges, and Chief Coursesetter all of whom must be approved by CEC.	Chief Judge (with min. Regional Level certification), two Category Judges, and Chief Coursesetter all of whom must be approved by CEC.
Routes:	Min 10 metres long with min. overall wall height of eight metres	As per ICC Regulations
Sanctioning Notice:	Minimum two (2) month prior to event	Minimum two (2) month prior to event
Sanctioning Fee:	\$100 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)	\$100 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)

Open National

	Difficulty	Bouldering
Format:	Final round and Semi-final round must be on-sight. Quarterfinals must be minimum Flash. Open/ Youth Combined Events – If Open & Youth Categories are to compete on the same routes, the routes should be set to best suit the entire Youth field, not the top Open competitors.	As per CEC Regulations.
Minimum Officials:	Chief Judge (with min. National Level Certification), two Category Judges (Min Regional Level Certification), and Chief Coursesetter all of whom must be approved by CEC.	Chief Judge (with min. Regional Level certification), two category Judges, and Chief Coursesetter all of whom must be approved by CEC.
Routes:	Min 12 metres long with min. overall wall height of 10 metres	As per CEC Regulations
Sanctioning Notice:	Minimum three (3) months prior to event	Minimum three (3) months prior to event
Sanctioning Fee:	\$200 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)	\$200 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)

Open Canadian National Championships

	Difficulty	Bouldering
Format:	Final round and Semi-final round, must be on-sight. Quarterfinals must be minimum Flash. Open/ Youth Combined Events – If Open & Youth Categories are to compete on the same routes, the routes should be set to best suit the entire Youth field, not the top Open competitors.	As per CEC Regulations.
Minimum Officials:	Chief Judge (with min. National Level Certification), two Category Judges (Min Regional Level Certification), and Chief Coursesetter all of whom must be approved by CEC.	Chief Judge (with min. Regional Level certification), two Category Judges, and Chief Coursesetter all of whom must be approved by CEC.
Routes:	Min 12 metres long with min. overall wall height of 10 metres	As per CEC Regulations
Sanctioning Notice:	Minimum three (3) months prior to event	Minimum three (3) months prior to event
Sanctioning Fee:	\$250 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)	\$250 (+GST) (invoiced upon approval)

SECTION TWO - YOUTH SANCTIONED COMPETITIONS

For each of the different levels of competitions in the Youth Division, the following shall apply:

Participation:	Open to all Youth age categories (U11, 12-13; Youth B {14-15}; Youth A {16-17}; and Junior {18-19}). Athletes with Competitive Memberships will have their points tracked in the CEC Registry for selection on the National Youth Team. Recreational Members will not have their points tracked and therefore will not be eligible for selection on the National Youth Team.
CEC Registry	To have points credited to the CEC Registry, participants must be Competitive Members of CEC or be members of the USCCA
Quotas	Advancement from one round of competition to the next is based on the Quota system outlined in Section Three below. If no Semi Finals, then the number of competitors advancing from the Qualifiers to the Finals will be the number set out under the heading “# of Competitors advancing to Final Round”.

1. Youth Local

Format:	No minimum format requirement. Format must be approved by CEC. Lead for Youth B (14-15), Youth A (16-17), Juniors (18-19) age categories and top rope for Tier II, 12/13, U11.
Officials:	Chief Judge, Chief Coursesetter approved by CEC
Routes:	No route requirements.
Notice	Minimum four weeks or one (1) month prior to event.
Fee:	\$50 (invoiced upon approval)

2. Youth Regional

Minimum Format:	Two (2) qualifiers, One (1) Final. Lead for Youth B (14-15), Youth A (16-17), Juniors (18-19) age categories and top rope for Tier II, 12/13, U11. Qualifiers may be on-sight or flash (forerun). The starting order is reversed on the second qualifier. Semi Finals and Finals must be on-sight.
Officials:	Chief Judge (CEC Regional Level Certified); Category Judge (CEC approved); Chief Coursesetter (CEC approved)
Routes:	Required minimum: 10 meters long with overall wall height of at least eight (8) meters
Notice:	Minimum two (2) months prior to event.
Fee:	\$75 (invoiced upon approval)

3. Youth Nationals

Minimum Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All competitors will climb two (2) qualifying routes. One Final Route. Qualifiers may be on-sight or flash (forerun). The starting order is reversed on the second qualifier. Semi Finals (if held) and Finals <u>must be</u> on-sight. • Competitors in Tier II, 11&U and 12/13 <u>must</u> top-rope <u>all</u> routes. Competitors in Youth B, Youth A, and Junior categories <u>must</u> lead <u>all</u> routes. • The period of time between a climber's attempts on his/her two qualifying routes is at the discretion of the competition organizer, but <u>must be a minimum of 40 minutes.</u> • Open/ Youth Combined Events – If Open & Youth Categories are to compete on the same routes; the routes should be set to best suit the entire Youth field, not the top Open competitors.
Officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Judge (must be CEC Nationally certified or equivalent); Category/ Route Judges (<u>must</u> be approved by the CEC); Chief Coursesetter (<u>must</u> be approved by the CEC). • The employment of at least 2 (two) other experienced coursesetter is strongly recommended.
Route Length & Style	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routes <u>must</u> be a <u>minimum</u> of 12 meters in length with a <u>minimum</u> wall height of 9 meters. Walls less than 9 meters must be approved by the CEC. • Routes for Youth B, Youth A, and Juniors should be as long and consistently steep as the facility will allow and attempt to use as many changes in terrain as possible (this is to create consistency with European routesetting styles).
Notice	A completed sanctioning application <u>must</u> be submitted a <u>minimum</u> three (3) months prior to the competition date.
Fee	\$150.00 (invoiced upon approval)

Tier I and Tier II Categories

- The CEC Youth Division also has a Tier II category in the Youth A, Youth B and Junior male and female categories. This is geared towards older youth who are new to the sport of climbing and who may not be at the point of lead climbing yet. All routes in the Tier II category are to be top-roped only.
- The following set of standards is used to determine ‘Tier I’ and Tier II’ competitors. However, competitors who have not reached the ‘Tier I’ standard can still choose to register in the ‘Tier I’ category. Once a competitor has registered and competed at a sanctioned competition at the Tier I level, or has attained the Tier I standards below then he/she may not go back to the Tier II level.
- ‘Tier I’ standards - on-sight in competition

• Age Category	• Difficulty	• Boulder
• Youth B girls	• 5.11a	• V1
• Youth B boys	• 5.11a	• V1
• Youth A girls	• 5.11b/c	• V2
• Youth A boys	• 5.11c	• V2/3
• Junior Boys	• 5.11c	• V3
• Junior Girls	• 5.11c	• V3

- If a Tier II athlete has joined the CEC as a Competitive Member, then the ‘Tier II’ member will have their points tracked in the CEC Registry but will not be eligible for selection on the National Team.

SECTION THREE QUOTA SYSTEM

With respect to Difficulty and Bouldering Competitions, the number of competitors who will progress from one round of competition to the next is dependent upon the number of competitors registered for the event. If there are no Semi Finals, then the number of competitors advancing from the Qualifiers to the Finals will be the number set out under the heading “# of Competitors advancing to Final Round”.

# of Competitors in Qualifier Round	# of Competitors advancing to Semi-Final round	# of Competitors advancing to Final Round
50+	26	8
40 to 49	22	8
30 to 39	16	8
20 to 29	12	6
15 to 19	10	6
10 to 14	8	5
8 or 9	6	5

Less than 8	5	4
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SECTION FOUR MEMBERSHIP AND NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION

1. TYPES OF MEMBERSHIPS AND FEES:

a) Competitive Youth

Member's points will be tracked in the CEC Registry for selection of the National Team. Points will be tracked for each attended sanctioned event from the date of registration with the CEC. For further information please visit our website and click on the tab "What is the CEC".

Fees: On or before November 15, 2003 - **\$64.20** (includes GST) (Max \$128.40 / family)
After November 15, 2003 - **\$74.90** (includes GST). Max \$149.80 / family

b) Recreational Youth

This is a flat one-time fee for annual Recreational Membership in the CEC Youth Division. Recreational members points will not be tracked in the CEC Registry and accordingly, this type of membership is not eligible for selection for the National Youth Team. However, recreational members will be entitled to participate in any number of sanctioned Youth Competitions including Locals, Regionals, and the National.

Fees: \$16.05 (includes GST)

c) Alpine Club Of Canada Waiver:

In order for a registration to be complete each athlete and if applicable, their parent/Legal /Guardian, must complete the ACC waiver, which can be found on our web site at www.competitionclimbingcanada.com.

2. SELECTION CRITERIA FOR THE CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM AND THE CEC POINT SYSTEM:

Selection for the National Team is based primarily on a CEC registered competitor's points awarded at various CEC sanctioned competitions throughout the year. The CEC selects the Youth National Team and the Open National Team shortly after their respective National Championships each competition season. A competition season runs for 12 months beginning after the World Championships (usually in September of each year).

The Open Division and the Youth Division will have their own separate competition year and their points will be tracked separately.

YOUTH DIVISION

With respect to the Youth Division, there are four National Youth Team members in each age category for both men and women. The age categories are: 11 and under; 12 - 13; Youth B (14 - 15); Youth A (16 - 17); and Junior (18 - 19).

A competitor's age for each category is determined by the age of that competitor as at December 31 in the year in which the Nationals are held in a Competition Season. For example, if the National Championships are held in July 2003, the competitor's age on December 31, 2003, will determine the age category for that competitor for that competition season. In addition, certain international competitions have specific rules on the minimum age of the competitors, potentially resulting in the younger age groups not being able to attend those competitions. The four team members in each of the men's and women's age categories are determined by adding the points for their competitions as outlined below for that competition season. However, if a competitor in an age category has applied for a "Wild Card" then the CEC selection committee will determine the fourth place in that age category. The selection committee will only consider a Wild Card if there are significant extenuating circumstances that prevented a competitor from attending the minimum number of competitions.

The points awarded for the competitions sanctioned by the CEC for Youth in 2003 will be:

PLACING	YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	YOUTH REGIONAL	YOUTH LOCAL
1	125	50	20
2	80	36	16
3	63	28	12
4	47	21	9
5	33	16	7
6	18	10	5
7	13	8	4
8	9	6	3
9	7	5	2
10	6	4	1
11	4	3	
12	3	2	
13	2	1	
14	1		
15			

For Youth National Team selection purposes, final standing will be determined by adding points as follows (subject to Wild Card):

- * The points awarded in the National Competition; plus
- * The points awarded in the best Regional Competition; plus
- * The points awarded at the best three Youth Local Competitions (two such Locals may also be any combination of CEC Open Locals (actual placing will be used) or USCCA sanctioned competitions).

OPEN DIVISION

With respect to the Open Division, 10 male and 10 female athletes will be selected for the National Team based on the point system outlined below. Open Competitive Memberships are available to anyone 16 years of age and over. Sixteen is the minimum age permitted to attend ICC sanctioned

competitions. In addition, if a competitor wants to have their points tracked they must obtain a "Competitive Membership" in the CEC (this membership requirement is being waived during the 2003 Competition Year). The top three males and the top three females on the National Team will represent Canada at ICC sanctioned competitions.

During the 2003 Competition Year, Open competitors will not be required to pay for a CEC Competitive membership to have their points tracked. If they would like their points tracked, an Open competitor is required to provide the following information to the Competition Organizer during registration for that competition:

Name:

Address:

Email address:

Gender:

Date of Birth:

The points awarded for the competitions sanctioned by the CEC for Open in 2003 will be:

PLACING	OPEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	OPEN NATIONAL	OPEN REGIONAL	OPEN LOCAL
1	150	125	50	20
2	96	80	36	16
3	76	63	28	12
4	57	47	21	9
5	40	33	16	7
6	22	18	10	5
7	16	13	8	4
8	11	9	6	3
9	9	7	5	2
10	7	6	4	1
11	5	4	3	
12	4	3	2	
13	3	2	1	
14	2	1		
15	1			

For Open National Team selection purposes, final standing will be determined by adding points as follows

- * The points awarded in the National Championships; plus
- * The points awarded in the National Competition; plus
- * The points awarded in the best Regional Competition; plus
- * The points awarded in the best three Open Local Competitions (two such Locals may also be a USCCA sanctioned competition - actual placing to be used).

EXHIBIT II
To the 2003 CEC Rules and Regulations
For Canadian Competition Climbing Competitions

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE CEC

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
Alpine Club of Canada Rep	David Dornian	ddornian@agt.net
Director and Open Coordinator	Andrew Weldon	aweldon@shaw.ca
BC Rep	Andrew Wilson	andrew@edgeclimbing.com
Saskatchewan Rep	Sue Holowach	hollywood5@shaw.ca
National Technical Coordinator	Les Berezowski	berezowl@telus.net
Website	Les Berezowski	berezowl@telus.net
Alberta Rep	Simon Villeneuve	climbingsim@hotmail.com

EXHIBIT III
TO THE 2004 CEC RULES AND REGULATIONS
GOVERNING COMPETITION CLIMBING

COMPETITION SANCTIONING PROCEDURES

To apply for sanctioning, review the 2004 CEC Rules and Regulations governing Competition Climbing (“Regulations”) thoroughly and complete the Application for Sanctioning attached as Schedule “A” hereto and email it to the Alpine Club of Canada at [ACC Office Manager](#). If necessary, fax drawings, pictures or supplemental information to the ACC at (403) 678-3224. Feel free to contact your CEC Provincial Representative or any member of the executive of the CEC for more information regarding any sanctioning requirements or questions you may have. If your application is accepted, you will be invoiced for the sanctioning fee.

The CEC will review all applications for sanctioning at its earliest opportunity. If requested, the CEC will assist the Competition Organizer in fulfilling the sanctioning requirements and provide technical advice regarding sanctioning and running the competition. Wherever possible the CEC will provide sanctioning for proposed competitions.

STEP 1 REVIEW THE REGULATIONS

Become familiar with the Regulations. When you are confident that you can fulfill all the requirements of sanctioning, call your CEC Provincial Representative to arrange a date for the competition.

If you have any questions about these requirements, please feel free to contact your CEC Provincial Representative. We will be more than happy to guide you through any portion of the Regulations.

STEP 2 CONTACT THE CEC FOR POSSIBLE DATES

Contact your CEC Provincial Representative and make tentative arrangements for the event to be included in the Canadian Competition Calendar. Your CEC Provincial Representative will let you know about other competitions on the calendar and other events in the planning stages. Once there is a date arranged (or a number of possible dates) the event organization can continue. It is very important to set tentative dates with the CEC prior to setting any date with sponsors, event officials, etc.

STEP 3 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FOR SANCTIONING

The Application for Sanctioning (attached as Schedule “A” to this Procedure) must be fully completed by the Competition Organizer for all levels of sanctioned competitions. The sanctioning fee will be invoiced to the Competition Organizer if the competition receives sanctioning.

STEP 4 APPLICATION DEADLINES

Applications should be emailed to the to the Alpine Club of Canada at [ACC Office Manager](#). as early as possible to ensure sufficient time for review of the material and to allow for as

much notice to potential competitors as possible. The following are mandatory minimum time lines for submitting applications prior to the date of the competition:

Local	Youth and Open	1 Month
Regional	Youth and Open	2 Months
National Championships	Youth and Open	3 Months
National Competition	Open	3 Months

Applications submitted with less than the minimum required notice will usually not be considered. It is strongly advised that substantially longer notice be provided for sanctioning requests.

If you wish your competition to be placed on the Canadian Competition Climbing Calendar of Events, you must submit your application on or before December 15, 2002. Applications will be considered after this date, but will not be included in this unique advertising opportunity.

STEP 5 FULL SANCTIONING

Upon receipt of an Application for Sanctioning, the CEC consider the Application at its earliest convenience. If the application is complete and the CEC is confident that all the conditions for sanctioning can be met, then preliminary Sanctioning will be granted. The CEC will contact the Competition Organizer and inform him/her that the competition has received preliminary sanctioning subject to the Terms and Conditions of Sanctioning (see Step 8). The Competition Organizer will then be invoiced the Sanctioning Fee.

Once Sanctioning has been granted, the Event can be referred to in all registration and promotional material as CEC Sanctioned.

STEP 6 SANCTIONING FEES

The sanctioning fee covers the administrative costs to process the application. It also covers the schedule inclusion fee, and placing the event on the competition calendar for the year.

The fees for sanctioning competitions are as follows:

Open Local	\$50	Youth Local	\$50
Open Regional	\$100	Youth Regional	\$75
Open National	\$200	Youth National Championships	\$150
Open National Championships	\$250		

Upon approval of sanctioning, the CEC will contact the Competition Organizer.

STEP 7 CEC DELEGATE

The Competition organizer shall ensure that a CEC delegate is present at the competition to carry out the following duties:

- a. Set up a CEC registration booth;
- b. Collect the CEC memberships; and
- c. Submit all of CEC membership fees collected to the Alpine Club – Attention: Office

Manager.

- d. Collect any medals or ribbons that were not awarded at the event and return them to the ACC.

STEP 8 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SANCTIONING

It is important to remember that sanctioning requirements extend through the duration of the competition. The Terms and Conditions on the granting of sanctioning include:

- a. the approved submitted Application;
- b. Receipt of the Sanctioning Fee;
- c. Changes to the submitted Application for Sanctioning as agreed upon by the Organizer and the CEC; and
- d. The Competition adhering to the Regulations as may be amended on the approved Sanctioning application.

The CEC has the authority to withdraw sanctioning from any competition which does not meet all of the above agreed upon Terms and Conditions of Sanctioning.

SCHEDULE "A"
CEC APPLICATION FORM
FOR SANCTIONING A COMPETITION

www.alpineclubofcanada.ca
www.competitionclimbingcanada.com



In order to efficiently and effectively sanction a climbing competition and to have it run in a **safe** and standardized level with other competitions, CEC requires information regarding the organizational and technical aspects of the proposed competition.

Complete this Application for Sanctioning and email it to the Alpine Club of Canada at [ACC Office Manager](mailto:pzettel@AlpineClubofCanada.ca), Paula Zettel. pzettel@AlpineClubofCanada.ca If necessary, fax drawings, pictures or supplemental information to the ACC at (403)678-3224.

ACC Office Manager
Indian Flats Road
P.O. Box 8040
Canmore, AB
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I ORGANIZATIONAL

A) THE COMPETITION

1 What level of sanctioning is being applied for (enter "X" in applicable box)?

<i>Open Local</i>		<i>Youth Local</i>	
<i>Open Regional</i>		<i>Youth Regional Championship</i>	
<i>Open National</i>			
<i>Open National Championship</i>		<i>Youth National Championship</i>	

2 What is the official name of the competition?

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3 What is the competition venue? (Climbing gym, arena, stadium etc. in what city?)

4 What are the dates of the competition?

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5 What is the format?

(Describe the entire format for all rounds of competition. For example: bouldering, top rope, on-sight, after work, etc. in the Quarterfinals, Semi-final, Final rounds etc.)

6 Describe the schedule of events.

(Which heats on which days at approximately what time?)

7 Describe any policies, restrictions, or material extenuating circumstances imposed by the host facility which the sanctioning review panel should be aware of that might effect attendance or participation by the general public or members of the CEC.

B) THE COMPETITION JURY

The Competition Jury is composed of those individuals as set out in Exhibit I to the Regulations.

Please provide the names (and levels of certification, if any) of the personnel for the following positions:

Chief Judge: _____

Category Judge: _____

Category Judge: _____

Route Judges: _____

Chief Coursesetter: _____

Other Coursesetter: _____

CEC delegate: _____

II TECHNICAL

A) THE CLIMBING WALL

To grant sanctioning for a competition, it is necessary for the CEC to have an understanding of the type of climbing wall to be used. Please provide information about the walls and their appropriateness to the level of sanctioning being applied for. On attached documents (fax to ACC at (403)678-3224) please describe the climbing surface (material or commercial manufacturer) as well as the dimensions and angles of the walls to be used. If possible email photos of the wall to [ACC Office Manager. pzettel@AlpineClubofCanada.ca](mailto:pzettel@AlpineClubofCanada.ca)

***Note:** Venues which have previously held sanctioned competitions of the level currently being applied for or venues with which the CEC are familiar need not provide this information again. This information will be kept on file for reference for future applications by the same venue.*

B) VENUE

It is also necessary for the CEC to have an understanding of the competition venue areas. Please provide information about the competition venue and the designated areas for the following requirements:

- *Competition Registration Area*
- *Isolation Area*
- *Warm-up Facilities*
- *Transit Zone*
- *Competition Area (Wall Base Area)*
- *Judges Areas*
- *Spectator Areas*

The best way to provide this information is typically with a diagram or a floor plan of the venue with the competition areas drawn in. This diagram does not need to be a true blueprint of the building or professionally rendered. An accurate (close to scale), understandable hand drawing of the venue floor plan is generally adequate. This should be faxed to the ACC office at (403)678-3224).

***Note:** Again this information need only be sent to the CEC once. We will keep it on file to facilitate ease of sanctioning at the same venue in the future.*

- ***Competition Registration Area***
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- ***Isolation Area***
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- ***Warm-up Facilities***
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- ***Transit Zone***
- ***Competition Area (Wall Base Area)***
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- ***Judges Areas***
- ***Score Keeper Area***
- ***Spectator Areas***

Other Info:

- *planning to set up food, burgers/pop like they did on Sunday last year at the Nationals*
- *depending on money raised and budget, will include an outside tent area for competitors and/or food are in front of the gym (also pending adjacent builder tenant approval)*

III SANCTIONING AGREEMENT

For all CEC Sanctioned Competitions;

The CEC will:

- *Include the competition on the official Canadian Competition Climbing Calendar of Events;*
- *Provide status as a sanctioned competition and the inclusion of the event in the official standing of the CEC;*
- *promote the competition with its members and on its web site;*
- *Provide registration forms for the CEC to be provided to the competitors;*
- *Provide ribbons for Locals and funding for medals (with prior approval of the CEC) for Regionals and Nationals.*
- *Provide a list of the current standings of all competitions registered in the CEC as of the date of the sanctioned competition; and*
- *Upon request, provide technical advice regarding organizational and officiating matters for the sanctioned competition.*

The Competition Organizer will:

- *Ensure that the competition has been organized with a specific focus on the safety of the climbers and spectators.*
- *Be familiar with the Regulations and the Terms and Conditions of a CEC Sanctioned Competition included in the Competition Sanctioning Procedures;*
- *Organize and ensure that the competition is run in accordance with the Regulations; and*
- *For Youth competitions, utilize as closely as possible, the registration form attached as Attachment “1” to this Application for Sanctioning. The highlighted information is of particular importance to the CEC – Youth Division.*

Competition Organizer Name:

Competition Organizer’s Address:

Competition Organizer’s Fax: _____

Competition Organizer’s email:

Competition Organizer Signature: _____

Date: _____

CEC Approval: _____ Date: _____

