



Competition Policy

Jury President – Job Description

The Jury President (JP) has overall authority in the competition area. The JP will work in coordination with the competition organizer to ensure a smooth progress the event.

1 Before the Competition

- Plans and presides over all meetings of officials.
- Presides the technical meeting: makes sure he/she is fully informed about all the details of the competition before the technical meeting
- Consult with Chief Route Setter to ensure the route setting plan is adequate to the proposed competition planning
- Inspects each route/boulders with regard to safety aspects prior to start
- **LEAD ONLY:** Agrees with the Chief Route Setter about the last acceptable hold to clip a particular quickdraw, if necessary, and makes sure the hold and the quickdraw are marked with (preferably) a blue cross (and briefs the Judge)
- **LEAD ONLY:** Decides about the observation time (normally 6 minutes) in consultation with the Chief Routesetter (and briefs the IFSC Judge)
- **LEAD ONLY:** Decides in conjunction with the Head Route Setter and Head Judge if/when cleaning of a route needs to be done and communicates this to the route judges.
- Makes sure an emergency plan exists (competitor accident, others)
- When applicable: determines the position of the cameras (in consultation with the Chief Routesetter) and instructs the camera crew.
- Checks the isolation zone and the call zone and makes sure everything is in accordance with the rules and regulations.
- Check the quality of the warm up area in isolation zone
- Checks with the Chief Routesetter if there are any problems related to the route setting.
- Makes contact with the speaker and gives advice and direction.



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2 During the Competition

- Is responsible for the briefing of the competitors before each round (blue crosses, boundaries...). May assign Head Judge to run briefings.
- Answers questions of competitors during observation time.
- Is responsible for the safety (can, for instance, stop a competitor).
- Is responsible for the slotting after a technical incident, both in lead and boulder competitions.
- Deals with appeals (convenes and chairs the Appeals Jury).
- Informs a competitor/coach when the competitor is downgraded after an appeal.
- Approves and signs the final result lists.
- Approves and signs the starting lists for the next round.
- May issue warnings and red cards.
- May request a medical check-up of a competitor and may, depending on the outcome of the check-up, stop the competitor from competing.
- May permit the use of otherwise non-allowed equipment in the isolation zone (i.e. a laptop for watching DVD's...).
- May allow communication between competitors and persons outside the competition area.
- Verifies the planned time schedule and makes corrections if necessary.
- **LEAD ONLY:** Replaces belayers or other persons jeopardizing safety (instructs the organiser).
- Deals with problems among officials (please be diplomatic and discrete).
- Makes sure the whole team (judges, belayers, isolation stewards, camera crew, routesetters) get good working conditions and get sufficient rest between two rounds.



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3 After the Competition

- Takes all the official recordings and keeps them for 1 year. Notes in the report if there is any sequence that may be of interest for training/seminar purposes, and sends relevant information to Sport Climbing Australia.
- After issuing a Yellow or Red card the Jury President shall submit a written statement to the team manager (or where this is not possible, directly to) the person(s) concerned regarding the offence and whether the Jury President proposes to refer the matter for consideration in respect to further disciplinary action in accordance with the rules.
- Submits a detailed report on the competition to Sport Climbing Australia
- Submits a detailed report about each Aspirant Judge and belayers to Sport Climbing Australia
- Organises a debriefing for the Judges and other officials if possible.