



Individual Regulations for WSC Israel 2018 (IREX)

Article 1 – Purpose

1.1 World Stamp Championship Israel 2018 shall be held for the following purposes:

- To mark the 70th celebration of the State of Israel and the 50th anniversary of Jerusalem reunification.
- To stage the fifth F.I.P. World Stamp Championship Exhibition, which will be the highest level of competition in philately where the best philatelists in the world will compete for awards. There will be three finalists: The World Champion, First Runner Up and Second Runner Up. The World Champion is therefore recognized as having won the highest award in the world's stamp competitive exhibitions.
- To promote friendly relations and maintain close co-operations among the philatelists and stamp collectors all over the world.
- To promote philately and stamp collecting at the highest international level
- To improve and develop Israel's philatelic culture by providing Israeli philatelists and stamp collectors with opportunities for international creative activities.
- To demonstrate the educational aspect of stamp collecting and to develop initial working relations with the Israel Education System in order to open philatelic courses in schools on a broad basis.

Article 2 – Organization, Venue and Date

2.1 WSC Israel 2018 is organized by the Israel Philatelic Federation in co-operation with the Israel Post Company Ltd and its Philatelic Service in accordance with F.I.P. General Regulations for exhibitions. WSC Israel 2018 is managed and run by an Organizing Committee.

2.2 WSC Israel 2018 will be held on May 27 to 31, 2018 at the ICC – International Convention Center, Jerusalem.

Article 3 – Patronage, Auspices and Applicable Regulations

3.1 WSC Israel 2018 is a "**World Stamp Championship**" Exhibition which has granted the FIP Patronage in the F.I.P. Board Meeting in Bandung 2017, Indonesia, on August 7, 2017.

3.2 The following regulations shall be generally applicable for WSC Israel 2018

- The General Regulations of the F.I.P. for Exhibitions (GREX)
- The general Regulations of the F.I.P. for the Evaluation of Competitive Exhibits at F.I.P. Exhibitions (GREV)
- The Special Regulations for the Evaluation of Exhibits at F.I.P. Exhibitions (SREVs)
- Individual Regulations of WSC Israel 2018 (IREX)

- Where these Regulations deviate from GREX, GREV, SREVs, the IREX shall apply

Article 4 – Condition and Participation

4.1 Competitive Exhibit Classes: Exhibitors from F.I.P. Member Federations thereof shall be eligible for participating at WSC Israel 2018. An exhibitor who satisfies the following condition may submit exhibits (for classes mentioned under Article 5.2): Entries winning at least a vermeil awards at national exhibitions.

4.2 Non- Competitive Classes: Entries in non-competitive classes (including Court of Honor) shall be by special invitation at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.

Article 5 – Exhibition Classes

5.1 Non- Competitive Exhibits (By invitation): a. Court of Honor b. Other Non-Competitive Entries

5.2 Competitive Exhibit Classes

Class 1 – World Stamp Championship

For Traditional Philately and Postal History exhibit that have been awarded:

- FIP Gold/Large gold medals at the exhibitions with patronage or auspices of F.I.P.
- F.I.P. Grand Prix (National/International, Grand Prix d'Honneur and Grand Prix d'Exposition.)

Neither the 10 –year time frame restriction stated in GREX Article 9.1 nor GREX Article 9.5 applies here:

(GREX Article 9.1 - Participation in the F.I.P. Championship Class is restricted to exhibits, which have received 95 or more points in F.I.P. World Exhibitions in any three separate years during the previous 10 years.

GREX Article 9.5 – On receiving the Grand Prix d'Honneur in the F.I.P. Championship, or having completed eligibility under article 9.3, an exhibit may only be shown out of competition by the same owner.)

Class 2 – Traditional Philately

- Holy land and Israel
- Europa
- Asia, Oceania and Africa
- America

Class 3 – Postal History

- Holy land and Israel
- Europa
- Asia, Oceania and Africa
- America

Class 4 – Modern Philately (1980 to date)

- Traditional Philately
- Postal History

The objectives are to encourage collectors of Modern Philatelic materials to exhibit at the highest level and to demonstrate to the Postal Administrations that there is an extensive body of philatelists who collect and study materials issued by them after 1980.

The Organizing Committee is making this class available for exhibits complying with the F.I.P. special regulations for (A) Traditional Philately, (B) Postal History

Qualifying exhibits for the Modern Philately must contain philatelic materials issued by the Postal Authorities after 1980. Stamp Series of philatelic topics chosen for this class which were substantially issued on/after 1980 are qualified topics for the Modern Philately. However, the exhibit may include a small percentage of material issued pre-1980, which is important and relevant to the exhibit.

Modern Philately exhibits will be judged according to the respective F.I.P. SREVs currently in force for the above –mentioned two F.I.P. classes.

The distribution of points available recognize that Modern Philatelic materials worthy of study and in many instances is difficult to acquire, treat and present while the short passage of time since their issue has not provided an accurate indication of importance or rarity.

F.I.P medals will be awarded to the appropriate exhibit and they will be recorded in the F.I.P Awards records. Certificate of Participation will be given to exhibits attaining less than 60 points.

Acceptance of entry into Modern Philately for WSC Israel 2018 will be based on the recommendation of national commissioner and at discretion of the WSC Israel 2018 organizing committee. Acceptance of any entries in Modern Philately will not preclude acceptance of entries in any other class. All other requirements of the WSC Israel 2018 will apply.

Class 5 – Philatelic Literature

- A) Philatelic books and research papers (published on or after January 01, 2013)
 - B) Philatelic magazines and periodicals (the whole annual volume issued after January 01, 2016)
 - C) Catalogues (Published after January 01, 2016).
- Exhibitors are requested to fill in the particulars stated in the "Philatelic Literature Exhibit Information Form", in addition to the "Exhibit Application Form"**

Article 6 – Judging of Exhibits and Awards

6.1 Exhibits in the Competitive Classes will be judged by appointed and accredited by F.I.P. judges in accordance with principles laid down in the GREV and SREVs. Any deviation in judging system has to have prior approval of F.I.P. Board.

Article 7 – Frame Size and Allotment of Frames

7.1 The exhibition frame for WSC Israel 2018 shall be 97cm X120cm. Each frame shall have a capacity of 16 album pages, 23cm X29cm each.in size (maximum) including their protective mount. Album pages slightly exceeding the said size shall be accepted if the pages can be overlapped in the frame, in each case, the Organizing Committee shall not be responsible for any loss of or damage to, the pages.

7.2 All exhibits must be mounted on white or light colored pages. No exhibit mounted on dark colored or black pages will be accepted

7.3 The original copy of Expertizing Certificate must be placed at the disposal of the jury by inserting it at the back of the page. **A small letter e is to be denoted at the right bottom corner of the display sheet.**

7.4 Every exhibit shall be allowed five or eight frames according to GREX articles 6.4 & 6.5. Eight frames shall be allotted to exhibits under Class1: World Stamp Championship.

Article 8 -Application and Acceptance

8.1 Exhibitors shall submit one Exhibit Application Form for each exhibit applied for through the Commissioners of their respective countries, as provided for Articles 11 and 21 of GREX

8.2 The organizing Committee, with the advice of the F.I.P. Consultant, shall have the authority to accept or reject entries without specifying the reason therefore.

8.3 Exhibit Application Forms duly filled shall be submitted through the respective Commissioners to the Commissioner General **no later than November 15, 2017**. When submitting the Exhibit Application form, the exhibitor shall attach a copy of the introductory page, in one of the F.I.P.'s official languages.

8.4 Exhibitors may enter exhibits under a pseudonym. However, their identities must be notified to the Organizing Committee (GREX Article 16).

8.5 Notification of acceptance or rejection shall be sent to the applicants through their respective Commissioners **not later than January 15, 2018**.

8.6 The Commissioners are to collect the participation fee from the exhibitors, and shall remit to the Organizing committee **by February 15, 2018**.

8.7 Each exhibit shall be listed in the exhibition catalogue under its given title as stated in the application form.

8.8 When the title of the exhibit differs from the past (irrespective of minor or major changes), **the previous title of the exhibit must be stated in the Exhibit Application Form**. Furthermore, the F.I.P. created Exhibitor's Identity Number must be stated. This IDnumber could obtained from the Secretary of your Federation. The F.I.P. Secretariat circulated annually a "list of Awards

and ID Numbers for all exhibitors" of the member federation concerned, together with the annual membership dues invoice.

Article 9 – Participation Fee

9.1 There is no fee for Non-Competitive Class entries

9.2 The participation fee for all Competitive Classes will be 80 US\$ per frame.

Article 10 – Handling of Exhibits

10.1 In the event an exhibit is delivered late or fails to be delivered, or in the event the page size does not comply with the provisions of Article 7.1, the exhibit will not be judged and the participation fee shall not be refunded.

10.2 Each exhibit page shall be placed in a transparent protective cover and numbered in a consistent manner, in the lower right hand corner margin.

10.3 The Organizing Committee shall certify the receipt of the exhibits to the exhibitor or the Commissioners.

10.4 The Organizing Committee shall distribute attachable labels for the exhibitors envelopes and exhibit inventory forms through the Commissioners to the exhibitors.

10.5 Each and every exhibit shall be forwarded in the envelopes (one envelope per frame). The exhibit inventory form shall be put in the envelope for the first frame.

10.6 The Organizing Committee strongly recommend that the National Commissioners will deliver all the exhibits by hand. **Personal deliver by hand by the exhibitors are not allowed.**

10.7 Exhibitors in the Philatelic Literature Class (Class 5A, 5B and 5C) must send two copies of each title or volume – none of these returnable. Periodicals shall exhibit a complete volume a year. Philatelic Literature **exhibits** must be received by the Organizing Committee **no later than February 15, 2018**, in order that preliminary judging may take place.

10.8 The address to which Philatelic Literature must be sent is:

Israel Philatelic Federation, POB 3301, Tel Aviv 6103201, Israel.

10.9 If the declared value is above US \$ 75 the Organizing committee must pay VAT of aprox 20%(including the postage). In this case- the commissioner of the exhibitor will pay the same.

Article 11 – Mounting and Dismounting

11.1 The mounting and dismounting of the exhibits shall be undertaken by the Organizing Committee. In the event, the exhibitor or Commissioner requested to mount or dismount his exhibit, the Organizing Committee shall provide the directions and conditions under which this may be undertaken.

11.2 The exhibitor or Commissioner shall pay the costs of a) delivering his exhibit to the Exhibition site as well as b) collecting his exhibit at the close of the Exhibition from the Exhibition site and returning to his country.

11.3 Dispatching exhibit to the Organizing Committee and returning of exhibits by means of Air Cargo are not allowed.

11.4 No complains after dismounting and return of the exhibit to the exhibitor or Commissioner will be entertained by the Organizing Committee.

11.5 Requests for return, dismounting etc. of the exhibits during the Exhibition period shall not be accepted.

Article 12 – Customs Regulations

12.1 The Organizing Committee shall establish simplified customs procedures through the customs consultative committee, and details of the applicable customs regulations shall be sent to the exhibitor/Commissioner in each country.

Article 13 – Security Measures

13.1 The Organizing Committee shall take all appropriate measures to ensure the security of the exhibits from arrival to return thereof. However, the Organizing Committee shall not be liable for any loss or damage to an Exhibit that might occur during the transportation to and from the exhibition; from receipt to return of the Exhibit; and during the exhibition.

13.2 After the Exhibit is mounted by the Organizing Committee, the National Commissioner is required to check that all pages and philatelic items are intact. In the event of any missing items, the National Commissioner must inform the Organizing Committee immediately. A confirmation form shall be signed by the National Commissioner in the exhibition hall, to be returned to the Organizing Committee to confirm that the exhibit mounted is in order. This procedure is to be executed prior to the Opening day of the exhibition, except where an Exhibit is received after the Opening day when such report shall be made at the soonest opportunity.

13.3 Every exhibitor has to insure his or her exhibit at own expense (GREX Article 50.2).

Article 14 – Expert Group (GREX Article 45)

14.1 An Expert Group will be appointed by WSC Israel 2018 Organizing Committee in consultation with the F.I.P Consultant.

Article 15 – Rights of the Organizing Committee

15.1 Every exhibitor applying to exhibit at WSC Israel 2018 is required to accept the stipulations of this IREX.

15.2 The Organizing Committee shall have the right to revise the IREX through consultation with F.I.P Consultant. Exhibitors shall be promptly notified of any of such revisions either directly or through his commissioner.

15.3 The Organizing Committee shall have the right to adjudicate any problems arising that are not covered by F.I.P. Regulations or by IREX, after consultation with the FIP Consultant. The decisions made shall be final.

Article 16 – Acceptance of these Regulations

16.1 By signing the Exhibit Application Form, the exhibitor shall be deemed to accept the stipulations of IREX, GREX, GREV, and SREV's.

16.2 In the event of any discrepancies in the text arising from translation, the English text shall prevail.

16.3 Any legal cases arising shall be settled within the jurisdiction of the Court of Israel.

Article 17 – Addresses

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