



**IWF**

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FEDERATION

HOST BIDDING  
PROCEDURE  
FOR  
IWF EVENTS



## **HOST BIDDING PROCEDURE FOR IWF EVENTS**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this procedure is to establish a clear framework outlining the steps to be followed by IWF Member Federations (MFs) wishing to bid to host an IWF Event.

### **Call for Bids**

IWF Administration will issue call for bids for a specific IWF Event and will publish the relevant Bidding Questionnaire, approx. 2 to 3 years before the staging of the event, depending the level.

### **Letter of Intent**

Any Member Federation (MF) wishing to be considered as a future IWF Event Host must submit a Letter of Intent no later than the communicated deadline. The Letter must clearly state that the Bidding MF commits to planning, organising, and delivering the IWF Event in full compliance with IWF rules and regulations, and that it has the financial capacity to meet the related costs.

### **IWF Bidding Fee**

Any Member Federation wishing to be considered as a future IWF Event Host must submit a non-refundable Bidding Fee of USD 5,000.

### **Host Bidding Questionnaire**

The Bidding Questionnaire includes all relevant high-level questions that an organiser must be able to address. The responses should provide IWF with confidence that the Bidding MF has a clear understanding of the requirements and the capacity to meet the core organisational standards of the event. The Bidding MF is encouraged to attach supplementary materials such as videos, photos, maps, diagrams, or any other supporting documentation.

### **Guarantee and support Letters**

The Bidding MF must present written endorsements and guarantees from its National Olympic Committee and/or National or Local Government, confirming their support for the event. These letters must cover:

- Organisational support
- Financial support
- Visa issuance guarantees for all participants
- Safety and security assurances

Support letters from sponsors are also encouraged.

### **Host Bidding MF Presentation**

Each Host Bidding MF that has paid the required Bidding Fee and submitted all required documents, including complete and valid information, will be invited to present its proposal to the IWF Executive Board (EB). Incomplete or invalid submissions, or failure to pay the Bidding Fee, may result in the candidature not being considered for presentation.

Format of the Presentation and recommendations:

- Presentation length: Maximum 15 minutes
- Q&A session: Maximum 15 minutes
- Presentation in PowerPoint or PDF, in English
- Minimal slides, concise text (bullet points/short sentences)
- Effective use of graphics or videos to reinforce the message
- Emphasis on the strengths, opportunities, and legacy of hosting the event
- Identification of potential weaknesses and threats, and how these can be turned into opportunities for the Host City

### **Host Agreement**

Following EB approval, the IWF and the selected Host Federation will sign the relevant Host Agreement. A draft template of the agreement, adjusted to the specific IWF Event, will be provided to the MF in advance.

## Steps of the Host Bidding Procedure

PROCEDURE	DEADLINE
IWF Administration issues call for bids and publishes the Bidding Questionnaire	3 (WC) / 2 (YWC, JWC & other events) years before the Event
MF submits to IWF: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of Intent</li> <li>• Payment of the Bidding Fees</li> <li>• Completed Bidding Questionnaire</li> <li>• Guarantee and support letters</li> </ul>	(approx.) 30 days following the call for Hosts
IWF may conduct an Evaluation Visit and/or organise online meetings	Following the submission of fees and documents
IWF Administration reviews and validates submitted documents; may request further clarifications	Before the scheduled EB meeting
Host Bidding delegation invited to present their proposal	EB meeting
EB decision on Host	EB meeting
Host Agreement signed by IWF and Host MF	no later than 60 days following the EB approval

## **IWF Event Fees for Hosting Rights**

The selected Host Federation will have to pay the following **Event Fee** for the Hosting Rights of the respective IWF Event:

### **IWF Events – Minimum Event Fees:**

- Youth World Championships: USD 50,000
- Junior World Championships: USD 100,000
- Grand Prix: USD 100,000
- World Cup: USD 200,000
- Senior World Championships: USD 600,000
- Other IWF Event: TBD

### **IWF Events (qualification events for Youth Olympic Games/ Olympic Games) - Minimum Event Fees:**

- Youth World Championships: USD 200,000
- (Host) Qualifier: USD 300,000
- Senior World Championships: USD 1,000,000

The IWF EB, will welcome proposals from Host Bidding MFs for increase to Event Fees.

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