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## JOB DESCRIPTION FOR EVENT ORGANISATION TEAM

# 1. Control and Competition Assistant for ISOLATION

#### **BEFORE COMPETITION**

If needed, turn on the heating or the air-conditioning before the opening of the isolation zone.

Check the presence of: sufficient food and beverages, enough chairs, clock or watch.

Check the toilets for the competitors. If the toilet is outside the isolation room, then additional staff to accompany the competitors is needed.

Check what to do if medical help is needed.

Check the call zone, make sure it is comfortable for the competitors (at least chairs).

Check that there is a timetable for the competition in the isolation zone close to the starting lists.

Check that there are starting lists on the wall of the isolation zone and the call zone.

Check that the starting time of the round is mentioned on the starting list.

Lead: check that it is marked on the starting list when the routes will be cleaned.

Get the mobile phone number of the Jury President and the IFSC Judge. If available, test the walkie-talkies

#### IN THE ISOLATION ZONE

Always remain friendly and helpful: Competitors can be nervous and may therefore react a bit rude.

Competitors are not allowed to have any contact with people outside the isolation zone. They may not obtain or try to obtain information regarding the climbing routes except during the allowed observation period (not through mobile phone, camera, video, etc. If it is observed that this rule is violated, contact the Jury President and/or the IFSC Judge immediately.

Smoking is allowed only in the therefore assigned area (usually outside).

Animals are not allowed in the isolation zone. If a competitor wants to take his/her animal with him/her, contact the Jury President, who has the right to permit this.

Team coaches and managers in the isolation zone are now subject to registration.







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No un-registered Team Official can join the isolation zone. In addition the same rules as the competitors apply to them(once they have left the isolation zone, they can not return).

Persons allowed in the isolation zone:

- IFSC officials
  - Organizer's officials
  - Competitors eligible to take part in the current round of the competitions
  - Authorized team officials\*
- Other persons specifically authorized by the Jury President (they must be escorted by an approved official).
- \*Note: maximum 5 team officials: 1 team manager, 2 team coaches, 2 qualified medical or para-medical personnel.

Team officials shall be permitted to enter and leave the isolation zone under the same conditions as those which apply to competitors.

## IN THE CALL ZONE

Check that the correct competitor prepares for climbing. Make him/her put on his climbing harness and remind about putting on the climbing shoes if needed (lead and speed). Collect his/her personal belongings.

If possible, make sure that there are a minimum of 2 competitors ready in the call zone at any time.

Check the team top and bib number. The official team top shall contain:

- (1) a representation of the national flag or the colors of the national flag or the national sports color
- (2) the name of the country or the three-letter IOC country code.

The official starting number bib is provided by the competition organizer. It may not be cut or otherwise modified. It shall be displayed prominently on the back of the top. The competition organizer may provide additional starting number bibs to be placed on the competitor's trouser leg.

Prevent disturbance by other competitors.

Don't disturb the competitor's concentration unless really necessary.







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Note that the competitor is not allowed to go to the toilet once he/she is in the call zone.

Cross out the name of the competitor on the starting list after he/she has left the call zone.

#### Additional isolation zone for technical incidents and immediate appeals

Make sure the competitor can not watch the route and/or has contact with other competitors/coaches.

Make sure there are some warm-up facilities (if needed).

Make sure that at least water is provided and that the competitor gets his/her personal belongings.

## 2. Belaying Team

#### **BEFORE THE COMPETITION DAY**

The belayer may choose the belaying device he/she is most familiar with to belay as long as it is a manual breaking device (automatic or semi-automatic belaying devices are not allowed). All belaying devices need the approval of the Jury President.

When using a tuber: always put climbing rope at the broadest side of the HMS-karabiner.

Train in stopping a competitor's fall dynamically.

Train in spotting the competitor.

#### ON THE COMPETITION DAY

It is advised to work with belaying partners. The belayer does the actual belaying while the assistant feeds the rope.

For the position of the rope bag: your partner should know whether you are left-handed or right-handed.

Consult the International Chief Routesetter and get informed about the more difficult sections, obligatory holds for clipping (blue cross) and timing of route maintenance.







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Get informed about pre-clips and take actions to do so (sometimes a small ladder is needed).

## IN THE CALL ZONE

Uncoil the rope and properly load it in the rope bag before getting the competitor.

Verify having the correct competitor attached to your rope.

Check the team top: country name or three-letter code of the country, national colour.

Check the bib number.

Check if competitor is ready for climbing: climbing harness correctly closed, figure of eight knot with an extra knot in the rope, climbing shoes on.

Never touch the competitor. If there is a problem, contact the IFSC Judge.

Don't interrupt the competitor's concentration unless really necessary.

Attach belaying device to your harness in the call zone.

Second belayer takes the competitor's personal belongings.

#### **DURING BELAYING**

Make sure that rope is correctly clipped in when pre-clip is used before competitor starts his/her attempt.

Make sure before the competitor starts, the rope is at the best side for clipping.

Keep the area in front of the wall vacant (no more persons than needed).

Place the rope bag sufficiently away and prepare some meters of uncoiled rope for easy rope handling.

Do not stand under the competitor (at start), but close enough to the wall to assure safety.

The second belayer may need to spot the competitor up to the first quickdraw.

After clipping the second quickdraw, the second belayer prepares the uncoiled rope.

Keep close to the wall for the first 2-3 quickdraws, later you can stand further back.

Be aware about rope aid but make sure to give sufficient rope.







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Be aware of fast competitors who clip two quickdraws in one movement.

Never encourage a competitor during the attempt.

Watch indications of possible fall: raising elbows, shaking, skipping a quickdraw.

Absorb the fall dynamically which is not synonymous to a long fall.

Absorb the fall safely – sometimes a longer fall is needed in order to avoid hitting a roof edge, etc.

If there is a problem, contact the IFSC Judge or the Route Judge immediately.

#### **AFTER THE ATTEMPT**

Pull the rope down as soon as the competitor is lowered to the ground and check the quickdraws after pulling down the climbing rope.

In the mean time, the second belayer can help the competitor to untie the knot (if needed).

Give personal belongings to the competitor or tell the competitor where to find his/her personal belongings.

Show competitor where he/she has to go: i.e. public arena.

Work as fast as possible.

## 3. Wall cleaning / Maintenance Team

NOTE: The operators mandated for such mission shall be working in line with the rope access regulation of the hosting country. The IFSC decline any responsibility.

#### **BEFORE THE COMPETITION**

Check the equipment needed during cleaning: rope ascenders, prusik ropes, karabiners, gri-gri, quickdraws, slings.

Check your hold cleaning material: large and small brushes (secured by strings to your harness).

Confirm the best way (rappel or top-rope) for cleaning with the routesetters.







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Also foresee a ladder for simultaneously cleaning the route from below.

Check timetable for timing of route cleaning.

Check that you have black and blue tapes ready to repair a demarcation or a blue cross.

Consult the Chief Routesetter and make sure you are fully informed.

#### **DURING THE COMPETITION**

Observe the highest reached hold (cleaning higher is unnecessary).

Prepare for cleaning on time.

Try to work fast and clean, respecting safety.

Do not touch the holds unnecessary, neither with hands nor feet.

Inform the IFSC Judge and the isolation zone steward when the cleaning is finished.

Be standby during the competition with your working material ready for use (i.e. in case of a technical incident).



