LIMES JUNIORS CUP
AALEN, GERMANY
27. – 29.05.2027

INVITATION

The *Deutscher Sportakrobatik Bund e.V.* is pleased to invite you to the **Limes Juniors Cup 2027**, that will be held from **27th to 29th of May 2027**. The Limes Juniors Cup is done in conjunction with the FIG World Cup Event Limes World Cup.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	**Deutscher Sportakrobatik Bund e.V.** Mörchinger Str. 53 D 14169 Berlin Germany Dana Kohn (LOC Executive Director) e-mail: dana.kohn@sportakrobatikbund.de https://limes-acro.com
LOCATION	Aalen, Baden-Württemberg, Germany (South of Germany, 70km from Stuttgart and 150 km from Munich)
DATE	From **27.** to **29.05.**2027
VENUE	**Competition Hall:** Ulrich-Pfeifle-Halle Parkstrasse 15, 73430 Aalen +49 (0) 7361 961600 https://www.aalen.de/ulrich-pfeifle-halle.3732.25.htm **Warm-up Hall:** Parkstraße 11 73430 Aalen Jahnturnhalle/Landesleistungszentrum Sportakrobatik - Stadt Aalen
APPARATUS SUPPLIER	Competition Floor: Spieth, model Moskau Training Floor: Bänfer, System Wiemers

ARRIVAL	25.05.2027
DEPARTURE	30.05.2027
ORIENTATION MEETING	26.05.2027
JUDGES MEETING	26.05.2027
QUALIFICATIONS	27. / 28.05.2027
FINAL	29.05.2027

GENERAL PROGRAMME

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
25th May	26th May	27th May
» Delegations Arrival » Free Training (Training Floor)	» Orientation Meeting » Judges Meeting » Podium Training as per schedule (limited slots, first come, first serve)	» Opening Ceremony » Qualifications Day 1
FRIDAY	**SATURDAY**	**SUNDAY**
28th May	29th May	30th May
» Qualifications Day 2	» Finals » Award Ceremonies » Banquet	» Departure of all delegations

Alongside the Limes Juniors Cup there will take place the Limes World Cup. Please refer to the Directives of the Limes World Cup for details.

SIZE OF DELEGATION

The Limes Juniors Cup is for national and regional teams, as well as for club teams.

Each delegation may include:

- Head of delegation / 1 Team Manager / 1 Doctor / 1 Physiotherapist
- Unlimited Coaches
- Unlimited acrobatic pairs / groups
- **JUDGE is COMPULSORY: 600 € penalty fee for each missing judge**
  › 2 to 19 Gymnasts – 1 JUDGE
  › 20 or more Gymnasts – 2 JUDGES

COMPETITON FORMAT AND RULES

The competition will be organized according the FIG rules and the specific general rules for Aspire and Pre Youth (Appendix 1).

The competition will take place in following categories:

Level	Age Limits	Balance	Dynamic	Combined	General Rules	Particularities
Pre Youth	9-16	x	x		FIG Age Group	No height deduction
Youth	10-18	x	x	x	FIG Age Group	No height deduction
Junior	11-19	x	x	x	FIG Age Group	No height deduction
Senior	min. 12	x	x	x	FIG Rules Senior	No height deduction

Qualifications:

› Pre-Youth/Youth/Juniors/Seniors: 1 balance and 1 dynamic exercise

Finals:

› Categories with more than 20 pairs/groups who participate in qualifications: top 10 proceed to the final.
› Categories with less than 20 but more than 12 pairs/groups who participate in qualifications: top 8 proceed to the final.
› Categories with less than 12 pairs/groups who participate in qualifications: top 6 proceed to the final.
› Pre-Youth: 1 balance or 1 dynamic exercise according World Gymnastics rules
› Youth/Juniors/Seniors: 1 combined exercise according World Gymnastics rules

Draw of lots by acro companion determine the starting order in the finals.

Scores in all finals start from zero.

Tie break rules will be explained in the accreditation folder and during the orientation meeting.

All competitors must take part in the qualifications.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

The registration procedure will be done online **by Acro Companion** as follows:

Provisional registration	January 27th, 2027
Definitive registration:	March 24th, 2027
Nominative registration:	April 28th, 2027

ENTRY FEES

The **non-reimbursable cost** for the entry fee is 60 EUR per gymnast and must be paid to the LOC by March 27th, 2027, directly after the *Definitive Registration*.

The invited participating club or federation must pay for all entry fees. At the time of definitive entry (27th March 2027) 100% of the entry fee must be paid to the LOC. **The entry fee is not refundable.**

Entries without payment of the entry fees will be considered as invalid and will be refused.

ACCOMMODATION

Category I
for example,
Piazza Hotel Aalen
Hugo-Theurer-Str. 6
73431 Aalen
Germany

phone: +49 7361 973400
e-mail: info@piazza-aalen.de
https://www.piazza-aalen.de/

Category II
for example,
B+B Hotel Aalen
Bahnhofstraße 2
73430 Aalen
Germany

phone: +49 6146 815366-9
e-mail: aalen@hotelbb.com
https://www.hotel-bb.com/de/hotel/aalen

	CAT I	CAT II
Single room: per person/night, incl. breakfast	135,00 €	110,00 €
Double/Twin room: per person/night, incl. breakfast	90,00 €	80,00 €

The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates.
The accommodation must be booked by Acro Companion by **March 24th, 2027** (completely) at the very latest. The hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first serve" basis.

The invited participating club or federation must pay for the accommodation expenses of their delegation members. The costs for the accommodations must be paid to the LOC as follows:

- 50 % of accommodation costs until **March 27th, 2027**
- The remaining 50% of the accommodation costs must be paid with nominative registration, until **April 28th** at the very latest.

Cancellation/Reimbursement Policy:
- Cancellations until **March 24th, 2027** will be free of charge.
- Cancellations until **April 28th, 2027** at the very latest will be subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total amount of the cancellation, to be paid by the club or federation concerned.
- Cancellations from **April 29th, 2027** until the arrival of the delegations on site or "no show" will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100%, to be paid by the club or federation concerned.

MEALS	The invited participating club or federation must pay for the meals expenses of their delegation members. » Full board 45 €/day. » Lunch and dinner will be served in the Sports Complex. » Meals (lunch, dinner): buffet, suitable for athletes, vegetarian alternative, daily changing. The meals must be booked by Acro Companion by **March 24th, 2027** at the very latest. Breakfast is included in accommodation packages. Breakfast will be served at the hotel. Cancellation/Reimbursement Policy: » Cancellations until **March 24th, 2027** will be free of charge. » Cancellations until **April 28th, 2027** at the very latest will be subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total amount of the cancellation, to be paid by the club or Federation concerned. » Cancellations from **April 29th, 2027** until the arrival of the delegations on site or "no show" will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100%, to be paid by the club or federation concerned.
FINAL BANQUET	The accommodations package, booked through the LOC, includes the closing party ticket for official delegation members. Banquet alone 45,00 €. Delegations not booking their accommodations through the Organizing Committee and additional visitors travelling with a delegation may purchase tickets to the *Final Banquet* for 45,00 € per person. Tickets for the Final Banquet must be purchased in advance until May 15th, 2027 at the very latest. Please include orders for the closing party tickets with the Definitive / Nominative Entry.
INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION	The participating club or federation must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members. Onward transport is organized only from the following arrival points: » Stuttgart Airport (STR) » Aalen Train Station (Aalen Hbf) **The travel schedule must be completed in Acro Companion until March 24th, 2027.**
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	Transportation » from and to Stuttgart International Airport or » Aalen Train Station and » between hotel and competition venue is provided by the LOC to all delegations that have booked the accommodation through the LOC. **Please note: Should the delegation/team not arrive together, we reserve the right to charge a separate fee to cover the additional transport costs incurred.** Transportation from and to *Munich International Airport* is not included.
VISA	Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the **German** Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to **Germany**. The LOC will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made before **April 27th, 2027** to the LOC. To request an invitation letter, please send the following information to the LOC: Full Name, Gender, Date of Birth, Citizenship, Passport Number, Passport Expiry Date, Function/Role within the Delegation, Arrival and Departure Dates, City where the visa application support letter should be sent.

	Please ensure that all information is complete and accurate to avoid delays in visa processing.
INSURANCE	All delegations are responsible for having the necessary coverage against accidents and illness. Those certificates of insurance (copy of policy) must be uploaded via Acro Companion at *Definitive Registration*. All person who cannot provide proof of adequate insurance coverage at time of accreditation are offered an insurance package at the cost of 100,00 € a person in order to be accredited.
ACCREDITATION	Accreditation cards will be distributed at the LOC Office upon arrival of the delegations. Accreditation card is personal for each of the delegation members. In case of a lost or stolen accreditation card the Organizing Committee must be informed immediately. A new card can be issued for a fee of 50,00 €. In addition, the LOC will distribute information regarding the safeguarding Officer operations plan upon accreditation. The Heads of Delegation have to present the passports of all members of the team. In order to save time, we encourage delegations to upload the copies of the passports and insurance certificates as early as possible in the registration process in Acro Companion. The definitive workplan will be given at the time of accreditation.
TARIFF SHEETS	Tariff sheets must be made on Acro Companion software and **uploaded until 18th May 2027.** The competition number for each team will be automatically filled in on the tariff sheets received after the nominative entry by Acro Companion.
MUSIC	The music must be uploaded on Acro Companion software. **Deadline: 18th May 2027**
ENTRY LIMES WORLD CUP	All participants of the Limes Juniors Cup and all team members have free admission to the competition of the Limes World Cup.
BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION	Payments must be made as stated in the invoices generated via Acro Companion by bank transfer to: Deutscher Sportakrobatik Bund e.V. DE67660908000002442850 GENODE61BBB BBBank eG, Karlsruhe Each participating club or federation is kindly requested to integrate the payment's purpose as follows: **ACRO JC 2027_Club_invoice number** (Example: ACRO JC 2027_Germany_048) The participating club or federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.

CANCELLATION POLICY

The LOC strongly recommend that each club or member federation takes cancellation insurance for their accommodation and meals booking.

Accommodation cancellation:

Date	Cancellation fee
Until March 24th, 2027	0 %
From March 25th to April 28th, 2027	50 %
From April 29th, 2027 onwards	100 %

Meal cancellation:

Date	Cancellation fee
Until March 24th, 2027	0 %
From March 25th to April 28th, 2027	50 %
From April 29th, 2027 onwards	100 %

Final banquet cancellation:

Date	Cancellation fee
Until March 24th, 2027	0 %
From March 25th to April 28th, 2027	50 %
From April 29th, 2027 onwards	100 %

LOC ONLINE PLATFORM

https://limes-acro.com/

EVENT MANAGER

The event manager will be:
Contact person: Dana Kohn
e-mail: dana.kohn@sportakrobatikbund.de

MEDIA OFFICER

e-mail: info@limes-acro.com

Media are requested to contact the LOC media officer for accreditation requests and other media services.

SOCIAL MEDIA

https://www.instagram.com/dsab_diesportakrobaten/?hl=de

MEDICAL SERVICES

The Organizing Committee will provide first aid medical services. The *German Red Cross* or the *Malteser* will be present during the competitions specialized in first aids.

OFFICIAL HOSPITAL

Ostalb-Klinikum Aalen
Im Kälblesrain 1
73430 Aalen
Phone.: +49 7361 550

DEADLINES SUMMARY

Accommodation via AC	March 24th, 2027
Travel Schedule via AC	March 24th, 2027
Visa Request Form	April 27th, 2027
Meals via AC	March 24th, 2027
Payment of the Entry Fee	March 27th, 2027
Payment of the Accommodation Costs	50% until March 27th, 2027 50% until April 28th, 2027
Payment of the Meals	50% until March 27th, 2027 50% until April 28th, 2027
Payment of the Final Banquet	April 28th, 2027
Payment of the fine for missing judge	April 28th, 2027

Apendix 1

Aspire Rules

The “Aspire” (old Youth) program is NOT entirely based on the “Pre-Youth” program.

General rules:

- Each pair or group must present a combined exercise, which must be choreographed and performed to music.
- The exercise is composed of compulsory elements, selected from the World Age Group Rules, and optional elements, selected the FIG Tables of Difficulty.
- Music of all exercises has a maximum duration of 2 minutes. There is a 2" (second) tolerance before the overtime of exercise penalty is applied. There is no minimum length.
- The first note of the music indicates the beginning of the time of the exercise. The first move made by one or more competitors from the start position is considered as the “start” of an exercise. The end of an exercise is the static position of partners, which must coincide with the end of the music.
- There is no height penalty. However, the rules for the logical relationship between partners in artistry are applied.
- Each pair/group must perform the elements as in the drawings.
- Each pair/group must also perform the required number of optional elements. Optional Elements can be the same as in the Compulsory Tables but not from the same row used in Compulsory and must be chosen out of the Tables of Difficulty. (to indicate that this is the optional element).
- Each element chosen from the COMPULSORY Difficulty Tables has a stated difficulty value, which is used to determine the Difficulty Value of the exercise.
- Optional elements are NOT used in calculating the Difficulty value of the exercise, although they must be performed to meet Special Requirements.
- The Difficulty value of the exercise is calculated according to the difficulty value of the performed elements up to a MAX of 0,5:

D-Value of Compulsory Elements
0,0
0,1
0,2
0,3
0,4
0,5

- A penalty of 1.0 is applied when:
  - For each missing requirement.
  - Performing more elements than the ones required.
  - A pair/group or individual element exceeds the stated maximum value.
  - A simple element exceeds the maximum number of rotations, twists or the maximum value of 5.
  - A forbidden element is performed. (see for forbidden elements FIG 11-16 rules)

  This penalty is applied for each violation, even if the performed element is not declared on the tariff sheet.

- In the whole exercise, exactly 3 individual elements must be executed by each partner from any category (Balance or Dynamic). No salto is required.
- Individual elements selected from the FIG Tables of Difficulty must not exceed value 10.
- Tumbling elements (Flic flac, salto's, handspring…) must be preceded by motion (run-up, round off,…) and land on one or two feet according to the character of the element. If an individual element is not declared, the element that follows is given no difficulty.
- Each pair or group may use simple entries, motions, links, catches and dismounts. They do not need to be declared on the tariff sheet.

  These elements must:
  - Be selected from the FIG Tables Of Difficulty.
  - Not exceed value 5.
  - Not exceed 3/4 rotation or more than 360° twist.

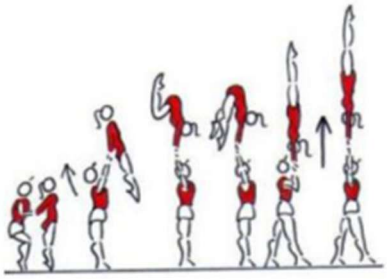
- A penalty of 0.3 is applied for incorrect Tariff Sheet (element order, wrong element,..). This penalty is applied only one time per exercise.
- All Special Requirements must be met within the declared elements on the Tariff sheet.

  Exception: If a different element is performed to that declared for difficulty on the Tariff sheet by the coach, the gymnasts will not receive the difficulty value of this element. However, this element will count for Specific Requirements and there will always be a 0.3 penalty for wrong Tariff sheet.
- Only 2 dismounts are allowed for difficulty.
- A maximum of 3 dismounts in the exercise are allowed.
- All the landings of all dynamic elements and dismounts with a value greater than 1 must be supported. If the landing is performed without support, a 0.5 penalty is applied for each occurrence.

  Exceptions: Support is optional for dismounts from "cannon-ball" elements and the 5/4 gainer salto from wrap
- For developmental reasons, in both pair and group balance and dynamic elements, **all handstands** may be performed with legs in either a straddle or any allowed positions or with legs together to the ankle. There is no need to identify the specific leg position on the tariff sheet.



- Elements that move from low arm to high arm as indicated in the compulsory tables may be performed first to low arm then moving into high handstand as one motion, but the low position must be included in the motion.



Pairs exercise:

- There must be exactly two (2) Compulsory Balance Pair elements, each selected from a different row, I, II, III and IV of the Compulsory Element Table, I.e. one from Row I, one from Row II etc.
- There must be exactly one (1) Optional Balance Pair element selected from the FIG Tables of Difficulty.
- There must be exactly two (2) Compulsory Dynamic Elements, each selected from a different row, I, II, III and IV of the Compulsory Element Table, I.e. one from Row I, one from Row II etc.
- There must be exactly one (1) Optional Dynamic element selected from the FIG Tables of Difficulty.
- One of the Dynamic Element (Compulsory or Optional) must be a catch.

Pairs restrictions:

- The difficulty of the Optional Dynamic Elements must be a minimum of 1 value and a maximum of value 14.
- The difficulty of the optional balance element must be a minimum of value 1 and a maximum of value 9.

Groups exercise:

- There must be one (1) Compulsory Pyramid from a row of the Compulsory Element Table.
- There must be one (1) Optional pyramid selected from the FIG Tables of Difficulty, with a minimum difficulty value of 4 and a maximum difficulty value of 16 for the static hold of all partners. (Value of the base position + the value of the top) and can not be joined with the compulsory pyramid. Each pyramid must be performed as a separate construction.
- There must be exactly two (2) Compulsory Dynamic Elements, each selected from a different row, I, II, III and IV of the Compulsory Element Table, I.e. one from Row I, one from Row II etc.
- There must be exactly one (1) Optional Dynamic element selected from the FIG Tables of Difficulty.
- One of the Dynamic Element (Compulsory or Optional) must be a catch.

Groups restrictions:

- The difficulty of the Optional Dynamic Elements must be a minimum difficulty value of 1 and a maximum difficulty value of 14 for women and a maximum difficulty value of 10 for men.
- Women's group may perform max three (3) horizontal catches.
- Men's group may perform one (1) horizontal catch selected from the Compulsory Element Table.
- Men's group may perform one (1) horizontal catch selected from the FIG Tables of Difficulty.

Tie Breaks in Qualifications:

- The highest E-score of the Combined exercise prevails.
- If there is still a tie, the tie will not be broken.

Tie Breaks in Finals:

- The highest E-score of the Combined exercise prevails.
- The highest sum of the E and A score of the Combined exercise prevails.
- If there is still a tie, the tie will not be broken.