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Copenhagen WCC Rules & Regulations Released

JANUARY 10, 2024 — Today, the Specialty Coffee Association is releasing updated rules & regulations for the 2024 Copenhagen World Coffee Championships; including the World Latte Art Championship (WLAC), World Coffee in Good Spirits Championship (WCIGS), World Coffee Roasting Championship (WCRC), and Cezve/Ibrik Championship (CIC). These four world championships take place at World of Coffee Copenhagen, Denmark, June 27-29.

Updates to the rules & regulations are overseen by the WCC Competitions Strategic Committee, a volunteer leadership group that meets regularly to work on strategic initiatives, including rules updates, that foster the competition community and keep the competitions moving forward.

The WLAC Art Bar portion has been moved from Round One to Semifinals, and competitors are now required to title their Art Bar design. An additional one minute of performance time has been added to the stage portion of the Semifinals and Final round, and new 0-3 scoring scale has been added. The provided espresso machine has been expanded to include semi-automatic and fully-automatic espresso machines, better reflecting the wide range of equipment available in the coffee industry. WLAC scoresheets have also been updated.

In the WCRC, the sweetness section of the coffee evaluation procedure has been updated with more details, to reflect ongoing SCA research on the topic, and to help judges to evaluate this element. The temperature evaluation scale has been relaxed, procedures in the production roast evaluation section are more detailed to improve the blind cupping procedure, and a new head judge scoresheet to track accuracy information has been created.

Station dimensions for the CIC have been increased and the WCIGS evaluation section has been reworded with added details and for clarity. The WCRC, WCIGS, and CIC all have minor general updates for consistency and clarity across the World Coffee Championships.

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The SCA is a trade association built on foundations of openness, inclusivity, and the power of shared knowledge. From coffee farmers to baristas and roasters, our membership spans the globe, encompassing every element of the coffee value chain. The SCA acts as a unifying force within the specialty coffee industry and works to make coffee better by raising standards worldwide through a collaborative and progressive approach. Dedicated to building an industry that is fair, sustainable, and nurturing for all, the SCA draws on years of insights and inspiration from the specialty coffee community. Learn more at sca.coffee

About the WCCs

The seven annual World Coffee Championships are produced by the SCA. The WCC portfolio includes the World Barista Championship, World Latte Art Championship, World Brewers Cup, World Coffee in Good Spirits Championship, World Cup Tasters Championship, World Coffee Roasting Championship, and the Cezve/Ibrik Championship; the WCC All-Stars program; and show features such as the WCC Bars. Learn more at worldcoffeeevents.org.

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