



MAIA INTERNATIONAL
ACRO CUP
MIAC XXI

(21th edition)

Maia, Portugal

11 – 16 May 2027

All info: www.maiaacrocup.com



1. General Information

Acro Clube da Maia and the Maia City, with the support of the Portuguese Gymnastics Federation (FGP) and the Portuguese Sports Institute (IPDJ), are pleased to present the:

21th Maia International Acro Cup (MIAC'27)

The Competition will take place in the city of Maia from 11 to 16 May 2027. MIAC'27 is open to National, Regional and Club Teams.

This competition is being prepared in accordance with the FIG regulations and rules with the following age groups and categories:

Level	Age Limits	Balance	Dynamic	Combined	General Rules	Particularities
<u>D BASE INFANTIL</u>	8 years old - 15 years old			X	General rules on page 4	NO HEIGHT DEDUCTION
<u>ASPIRE</u>	9 years old - 16 years old			X	General rules on page 4	NO HEIGHT DEDUCTION
<u>PRE-YOUTH</u>	9 years old - 16 years old	X	X		Rules for <u>Pre-Youth</u> FIG Age Group	NO HEIGHT DEDUCTION
<u>D BASE JUNIOR</u>	10 years old - 18 years old			X	General rules on page 4	NO HEIGHT DEDUCTION
<u>YOUTH</u>	10 years old - 18 years old	X	X	X	Rules for <u>Youth</u> FIG Age Group	
<u>JUNIOR</u>	11 years old - 19 years old	X	X	X	Rules for <u>Junior</u> FIG Age Group	NO PENALTY FOR EXCEEDING DIFFICULTY
<u>SENIOR</u>	minimum 12 years old	X	X	X	Rules for <u>Seniors</u>	

There will be a Team Competition for each level.

The Team classification is defined by the sum of the marks of 3 pairs or groups of the same level (regardless of composition; example: 3 Mix Pairs or 2 Men Four + 1 Women Pair – each PG may only be part of one team).

TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THESE AMAZING 21 YEARS OF ACRO HISTORY:

ALL DELEGATIONS (Clubs or National Teams) WILL HAVE

5% DISCOUNT if the delegation has more than 20 gymnasts

WE ARE COMMITTED WITH A HIGH QUALITY AND FAIR JUDGING:

ALL FIG BREVET JUDGES HAVE 30% DISCOUNT IN THEIR ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE

2. Provisional Schedule

Tuesday, 11 th May	All day	Delegations' arrival (official Day)
	10:00 – 12:00	Free Training
	12:00 – 21:00	Training per Schedule (no music)
Wednesday, 12 th May	All day	Delegations' arrival (non-official Day)
	08:00 – 22:00	Training per Schedule / Podium Training (music)
	18:00 – 21:00	World Cup Free Training (no music)
Thursday, 13 th May	09:00 – 17:00	Training per Schedule / Podium Training (music)
	11:30	Orientation Meeting (City Hall)
	12:30	Technical Round Table (City Hall)
	13:30	Judge Meeting (City Hall)
	13:00 – 17:30	World Cup Podium Training (music)
	17:00	Warm-up
	18:00 – 22:00	MIAC Qualif. 1 st exercise (Pre-Youth / Youth / Jun / Sen - Provisional)
Friday, 14 th May	08:00	Warm-up
	09:00 – 21:00	MIAC Qualif. 1 st or 2 nd exercise
	17:00 – 20:00	World Cup Qualifications
	21:00 – 21:45	Acrobattle 1st round
Saturday, 15 th May	08:00	Warm-up
	09:00 – 21:00	MIAC Qualifications 2 nd exercise
	18:00 – 20:00	MIAC Semi-Finals
	17:00 – 20:00	World Cup Qualifications
	21:00 – 21:45	Acrobattle 2nd round
Sunday, 16 th May	08:00	Warm-up
	09:00 – 15:00	MIAC FINALS
	15:30 – 17:30	World Cup Finals
	17:30 – 18:15	World Cup Award Ceremonies
	20:30	Banquet & Farewell Party
Monday, 17 th May	All day	Departure of all delegations

Official Arrival Day is Tuesday 11th May.

If your delegation arrives on Wednesday, LOC will do their best efforts to give you a training schedule – but it's not guarantee.

Arrival on Thursday = no podium training!

If your team arrives on Wednesday after 13:00, we cannot guarantee available training sessions on the Main Sports Hall.

3. Competition Venues & Organizing Committee

- COMPLEXO MUNICIPAL **GINÁSTICA** MAIA (Gymnastics Hall)

- COMPLEXO MUNICIPAL **TÉNIS** MAIA (Tennis Hall)

Rua Altino Coelho - 4470 – 233 Vermoim – MAIA - PORTUGAL

ACRO CLUBE DA MAIA

Rua de Almorode, 185, C - 4470-213 – Maia – PORTUGAL: +351 22 9410731

Info: www.maiaacrocup.com

Email: maiaacrocup@gmail.com

4. Delegation Size

Each delegation may include:

- 1 Head of delegation / 1 Team Manager / 1 Doctor / 1 Physiotherapist
- **Unlimited Coaches**
- **Unlimited acrobatic pairs / groups**
- **JUDGE is COMPULSORY:**
 - 2 to 20 Gymnasts – 1 JUDGE
 - 20 or more Gymnasts – 2 JUDGES

600 € penalty fee for each missing judge

Portuguese clubs need to register ALSO on Gymbase platform

4.1. North Gymnastics Association (AGN)

All North Gymnastics Association (AGN) Clubs can participate in the tournament - without any restrictions - under the same rules as all other delegations. Two options emerge:

Option 1 (no restrictions) - Book Accommodation Package via LOC Office.

Option 2 (with restrictions) – 80,00€ registration fee per gymnast – No Meals, No Transports, No Farewell Party.

Restrictions (Option 2)

Nº of gymnasts	Max of coaches	Min of Judges	Max of Delegates
2 - 10	1	1	1
11-19	2	1	1
20 +	3	2	1

Extra accreditation cards can be bought – 80,00€

No discounts will be applied to AGN delegations.

5. Competition Program

D Base Infantil / Aspire / D Base Junior – Rules on www.maiaacrocup.com

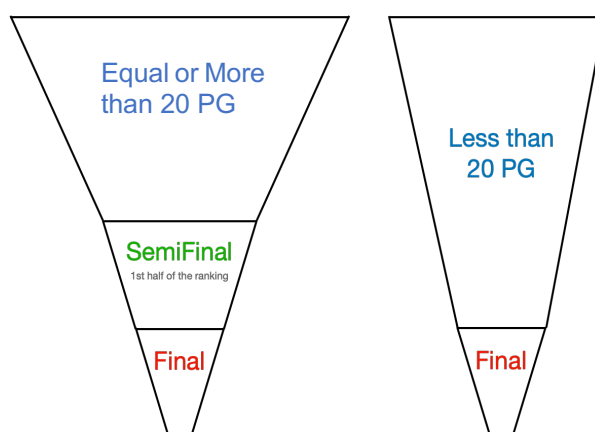
Pre-Youth / Youth / Junior / Senior – FIG Rules (ages according to page 2)

- When there are 20 or more PGs, a semi-final round will be held to determine which PGs qualify for the Elite Final.
- Both the semi-finals and the Elite Final start from zero.
- Qualification for the semi-final is determined according to the following rule:
Equal or More than 20 PG, half will go to semi-final to a max of 20 PG in the semi-final.

Some examples:

Examples:	QUALIFICATIONS	SEMI-FINAL	FINAL
	Less than 12 PG		6 PG in Elite Final
	12 -> 19 PG		8 PG in Elite Final
	20 PG	 10 PG in Semi-Final 	6 PG in Elite Final
	21 PG	 10 PG in Semi-Final 	6 PG in Elite Final
	30 PG	 15 PG in Semi-Final 	6 PG in Elite Final
	40 PG	 20 PG in Semi-Final 	6 PG in Elite Final
	41 PG	 20 PG in Semi-Final 	6 PG in Elite Final
	50 PG	 20 PG in Semi-Final 	6 PG in Elite Final

	Routines	
	Qualifications	Semi-Finals & Finals
D Base Infantil	Combined	Combined
Aspire	Combined	Combined
Pre-Youth	Bal + Dyn	Final Defined by FIG. Semi-Final "the other routine"
D Base Junior	Combined	Combined
Youth	Bal + Dyn	Combined
Junior	Bal + Dyn	Combined
Senior	Bal + Dyn	Combined



6. Technical Rules

All the following FIG rules considered as valid in January 1st 2027:

Code of Points (2025 – 2028) / SAWAGG Rules (latest version) / FIG Newsletters

7. Drawing of Lots

The drawing for the starting order will take place on the April 20th.

8. Registration Calendar and Finance Obligations

1.	Provisional Entry (not compulsory)	Up to 10 February	No Payment
2.	Definitive Entry	Up to 10 March	30% of Total cost
3.	Nominative Entry	Up to 10 April	70% of payment)
4.	Pair/Group photo	10 April	10,00 € fee from 11th
5.	Tariff Sheet & Music Deadline (AC)	5th May	

FINANCIAL OBLIGATION IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Definitive entry:** from 10th January up to 10th March (30% TOTAL COST)
- Nominative entry:** from 13th March up to 10th April (70% TOTAL COST)
- The delegations are responsible for covering travel expenses – Travel is book by the delegations.
- The delegations are responsible for covering: Entry fee +Accommodation & meals - via Local Organizing Committee.
- Delegations that do not reserve accommodation packages via Organizing Committee will NOT be considered.
- The entry fee is not refundable.
- The Accommodation Package is refundable for cancellations made until **10th April.**
- All accommodation added after 10th of April are non-refundable if canceled.**
- Late Payments (Definitive or Nominative phase) = No Discounts (International Judge and Large Delegation)**
- Payments must be received up to 5 days after Definitive Submission. A Definitive Registration (Submitted), that doesn't have the necessary payment received by the LOC, will have the accommodation packaged deleted.**

All participants must book the Accommodation Package via MIAC'27 LOC.*

All discounts will be applied ONLY in the NOMINATIVE ENTRY registrations.

* - Except AGN Delegations on Option 1 (see point 4.)

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9. Entry Fee

50 € per gymnast

10. Accommodation Package *(Accommodations / Meals / Transports)*

CLASS A Hotel*(Example – Axis Porto Business & Spa)***Single room / Full Board 175 Euro / night / person****Double room / Full Board 145 Euro / night / person****Triple room / Full Board 130 Euro / night / person (Limited offer)****CLASS B Hotel***(Example - Hotel Star Inn)***Single room / Full Board 165 Euro / night / person****Double room / Full Board 125 Euro / night / person****Triple room / Full Board 110 Euro / night / person (Limited offer)****CLASS C Hotel** *(Very limited places – first booked, first served)**(Example - Park Hotel Valongo)***Single room / Full Board 135 Euro / night / person****Double room / Full Board 105 Euro / night / person****Triple room / Full Board 95 Euro / night / person (Limited offer)**

Full Board/Accommodation Package includes:

- Breakfast served at the hotel;
- Lunch and Dinner served in the Sports Complex close to the competition hall;
- Transports from and to the OPO Airport or Train Station (Campanhã - Porto)
- Transports between official hotel and Sports Complex (per schedule).
- Farewell Party

ACCOMMODATIONS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- If your delegation wants to stay in the same hotel with other delegation (include World Cup delegations), you **must inform** the OC Office as soon as possible – use maiaacrocup@gmail.com **and** add a note in Acro Companion Registration.
- We use several hotels in each category, according to demand, not the only in the example!!
- Hotel rooms will be allocated on a “first come, first serve” basis.
- **Accommodation Category (ex: CAT B hotel) will only be guarantee after fulfilled ALL the financial obligations at the DEFINITIVE ENTRY: 30% of Total cost. Until payments are received rooms are not locked, and can be removed from your registration.**
- **The entire delegation must stay in the same hotel category.**

11. Visa

If you need an official invitation to obtain a visa to travel to Portugal, please contact the LOC as soon as possible.

12. Insurance

All delegations are responsible for ensuring the appropriate coverage against accidents and illness of all Gymnasts.

The LOC will verify the certificates of insurance of all Gymnasts after the end on the Nominative Registration Phase.

All gymnasts who cannot provide proof of adequate insurance coverage will not be allowed to compete.

LOC is not, by any mean, responsible for health or medical assistance of any team member during the travel, training or competition days.

LOC is responsible to find and coordinates first aid assistance for gymnasts in case of any injury or accident during competition or event's area (venues, meals, tents).

LOC is responsible to find and coordinates first aid assistance for any other delegation member in case of accident during competition on event's area (venues, meals, tents).

European Heath card will not be considered as a valid competition Insurance.

13. Medical Services

A physiotherapist / sport masseur and 1st Aid personnel will be present during competitions and all training sessions.

14. Media Representatives

Media representatives (journalists, photographers, TV, etc..) must request a special accreditation from the LOC.

Please contact the LOC before 4th February to be eligible to a Media Accreditation.

To Media representatives will be assigned special areas and working conditions.

If your request is accepted, zones, schedules, and maximum time for journalistic work will be define by the LOC.

All video or photos for commercial use are forbidden.

15. Registration & Accreditation

All Registrations must be done on Acro Companion.

Accreditation upon arrival will be done at:

COMPLEXO MUNICIPAL DE GINÁSTICA DA MAIA – OC OFFICE

- Tuesday, 11th May from 12:00 - 22:00
- Wednesday, 12th May from 9:00 - 22:00
- Thursday, 13th May from 9:00 – 12:00

The accreditation system identifies individuals participating in the competition and ensures controlled access to each area. All participants and officials are required to wear accreditation cards at all times.

The accreditation is personal, non-transferable and compulsory to control access to training and competition hall, official transport, lunches and dinners.

Without your accreditation card, you cannot pass the security control and you cannot participate in lunches, dinners, etc. If you lose your accreditation card, you will have to buy a new one: 250 €.

The price per extra accreditation includes lunch and dinner (Tuesday to Sunday), access to competition and training areas and Farewell Party. Price: 250,00€.

The Extra Accreditation does not include accommodations!!

On accreditation, and if all the commitments are fulfilled, all delegation members will receive their accreditations. All participants and officials are required to have a visible

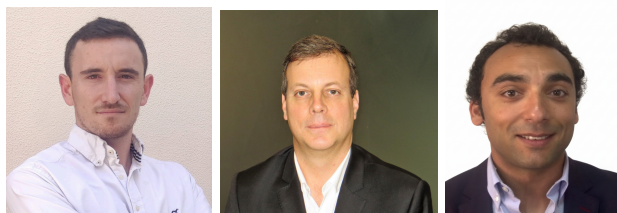
accreditation ID at the all times.

On the Nominative Entry you will be asked to insert a **photo of each delegation member on Acro Companion**. This photo needs to make a clear identification.

Minimal requirements:

- **Face Photo**
- **Shoulder to shoulder / shortly above the head**
- **Looking Forward**
- **Neutral Background**

**Examples
GOOD of
ID photos**



If the photos do not meet the minimal requirements, they will be taken upon arrival by the OC Office, and new accreditation cards will be produced on site.

10,00€ per each process will be charged.

On the Nominative Registration Phase, you will be asked to insert a **photo of each Pair/Group on Acro Companion**.

Minimal requirements:

- **All elements of the team in Competition Leotard or Tracksuit**
- **Make it fun!**

(These photos will be projected on the competition screens)

**Examples
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photos**



If the Pair/Group photos are not uploaded on AcroCompanion up to 10th Abril, or minimal requirements are not meet, new ones will be taken upon arrival by the OC Office. 10,00€ per each process will be charged.

16. Tariff sheets / Music

- All Tariff Sheets must be made on **ACROCOMPANION** software and submitted until **May 5th**. Late submission must to be approved by the Superior Judges – if not, last version will stand.
- All Music files must be uploaded on **ACROCOMPANION** software along with the tariff sheets until the **May 5th**. After that date, no more files will the

- downloaded from **ACROCOMPANION** to be used in trainings or competitions.
- Music files can be changed or add up to 48 hours before competition time, with a fee of 50€ per music.

17. Orientation Meeting & Round Table

The orientation meeting will take place on Thursday 5 March on the City Hall at 11:00. This meeting is for Head of Delegation, Team Managers, Judges and Coaches. Each head of delegation will receive the official competition plan.

A Technical Round Table will be organized. It will be focused on future developments and ways to improve the tournament and our sport. All coaches, judges and delegates are invited to participate. If someone have anything to present, please email OC no later than the Nominative entry deadline: maiaacrocup@gmail.com.

18. Prize Money & Medal Award Ceremonies

All finalists are requested to participate in Medal Award Ceremonies.

They are requested to appear in Track Suit.

Top 3 will receive medals.

There will be a Team Competition (all Age Groups).

Top 3 will receive trophies.

18.1 Podium Prize Money

There will be a **PRIZE MONEY** of more than **12.000€** for the **JUNIOR and SENIOR Competition** as following:

1 st Place	250 EUR (for <u>each partner</u> of the Pair/Group)
2 nd Place	150 EUR (for <u>each partner</u> of the Pair/Group)
3 rd Place	50 EUR (for <u>each partner</u> of the Pair/Group)

To be eligible for Podium Prize Money award, **P/G must perform scores equal or above 82,000** (Balance + Dynamic + Final).

18.2 Special Prize Money Awards

Balance + Dynamic overall marks Special Prize Money Award (for Junior and Senior only) will be given to the best sum of Balance and Tempo routine marks (sum of the Balance and Tempo overall marks): 300 EUR (for the Pair/Group).

Higher Difficulty Score Special Prize Money Award (Senior only) will be given to the higher difficulty score in Competition: 300 EUR (for the Pair/Group).

19. Farewell Party

A farewell party will be organized along with Sunday dinner and will be followed by disco and dance moment.

All delegations that have booked their accommodation with the OC are invited to participate without additional payment.

All alcohol it will be totally forbidden in the fair well party.

Under-age alcohol consumption control measures must be taken by each Head of Delegation.

Extra tickets will be available at the OC office at 45€ per person.

Requests for extra tickets must be made, at the very latest, by Sunday morning (May 13th).

20. AcroBattle

Friday and Saturday evening, there will be a Battle Contest between teams that want to participate for total Prize Money of more than 5000€. Let's put a show together!!

The rules are simple:

- Teams of 3 Pairs / Groups (regardless the country or the team they belong) will have between 1'00 and 2'00" (according to the number of teams) to perform which elements they want for the **MAXIMUM DIFFICULTY** possible: **TEAM = 1 YOUTH + 1 JUNIOR + 1 SENIOR**;
- Each team must be identified by a name;
- An execution judge will evaluate if the elements count or not but will NOT score for Execution;
- Every time a top goes on the floor, another PG can start;
- Each partnership can make the entries they want in the 2'00" of time but the same partnership cannot make 2 entries in a row;
- Difficulty only starts counting for the next PG after the previous PG top touches the floor (so, for example, a M4 can be in full column but in a position of no value and only starts performing when the top of the previous PG is on the floor);
- NO ATTIRE RULES (*be free but play safe and decent*) – **advertisement is allowed**
- Wins the TEAM that performs the highest overall difficulty.
- Limit of participants of 20 teams (in order to participate, teams must send a video or group of videos with the expected performance – teams will be selected according to the highest difficulty).

21. Additional Information

All further information concerning the detailed program will be given with the official workplan on 10th May 2027.

MIAC'27 NewsFlash will be sent by email and put online on the Official website in all major updates.