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WELCOME TO AUSTRALIA'S GOLD COAST FOR THE

WFDF 2024 WORLD ULTIMATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & WFDF 2024 WORLD GUTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

31ST AUG. - 7TH SEPT. 2024

G'day and welcome to the Gold Coast in Queensland, Australia! Home to kangaroos, koalas and kookaburras, the "GC" or "Goldie" is famous for its incredible surf breaks and incredible surfers, its sunkissed beaches and tropical rainforest wilderness, for its cafes, bars, restaurants and vibrant nightlife. In 2024, we hope to light it up with the most important Ultimate and Guts tournaments on the WFDF calendar!

The WFDF 2024 World **Ultimate Championships** (WUC 2024) and World Guts Championships (WGC 2024) will be hosted on the Gold Coast (in Queensland, Australia) by the Australian Flying Disc Association (AFDA) and its subsidiary event management company, AFDA Events Ltd. The event will run over 8 days from Saturday. 31 st August to Saturday. 7 th September inclusive.

Attractions and Natural Beauty

The Gold Coast is Australia's favourite beach holiday destination with a huge volume of accommodation options to suit a range of budgets and preferences. Situated in South-East Queensland, it has a mild subtropical climate that is perfectly suited to Ultimate in early Spring.

It is bordered by lush rainforests and soaring volcanic ranges to the South, the expansive Outback to the West and the spectacular Great Barrier Reef to the North. It is a short drive from the state capital Brisbane – which will host the 2032 Olympic Games. It is a beautiful and exciting location which will increasingly become the focus of global attention over the next decade.



Bulletin Overview

The Bulletin contains important information which will help National Federations (NFs) and team managers and players to plan their World Championship registration and participation.

Please note that much of the information in this early publication is indicative at the moment and will be confirmed with more detail in future publications. The focus of this Bulletin is to assist NFs to make decisions about the

feasibility of having representative teams participate in this event. The Expressions of Interest (EOI) and Registration processes are fundamental to allow the Local Organising Committee (LOC) to plan and deliver an exceptional event at the lowest possible price.

All WFDF member national federations are welcome and encouraged to send teams to participate.

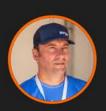
We look forward to seeing you on the Gold Coast in 2024!



Mathew Ryan WUC & WGC 2024 Tournament Director



Karina Woldt WFDF Managing Director Events & Operations



Patrick Fourcampre-Maye WFDF Event Coordinator

EVENT DATES

WUC & WGC 2024 will be hosted concurrently over 8 days from Sat. 31st August to Sat. 7th September. In the event of delays or interruptions due to weather this schedule will be adjusted to ensure that finals are played on or prior to the 7th Sept.

Schedule Overview

The competition format for both competitions will be determined once the registration process is complete and the final team numbers are known, however it is expected that Day 1 (Sat. 31st Aug.) will contain Coaches & Captains' Meeting & Spirit Meeting followed by the Opening Ceremony and a showcase game. It is expected that each team will send at least one (1) or maximum of two (2) representatives to each of these meetings.



Game Play and Nighttime Showcases

It is planned that Ultimate Teams play up to 2 games per day over the next 5 days, with quarter and semi-finals and placement games for some teams which will be played on Day 7. Day 8 (Sat. 7th Sept) will include the three finals followed by medal presentations, Closing Ceremony and final party.

The Ultimate competition will involve 4 x 2-hour rounds per day. The main showcase field will be lit and will allow for an additional showcase game to be played each evening after the daily scheduled games are complete. This showcase venue will also contain food and beverage providers to allow players to eat and drink while they spectate. Buses will be provided to return players to their accommodation after the showcase game is concluded.

The event will conclude with the Closing Ceremony followed immediately by the final party which will be run in the Tournament Village area onsite. Buses will be provided to return players to Surfers Paradise after the party.



LOCATION AND VENUE

WUC and WGC 2024 will be run on the Gold Coast in South-East Queensland, on the East Coast of Australia. The competition venues will be split over 2 locations on the Gold Coast:



The Gold Coast has the longest continuous whale watching season in Australia, stretching over five whole months from May to October.



One of Australia's most famous and renowned destinations, Surfers Paradise is as lively as it is diverse - this beachside city isn't just for night owls.



Waterfalls and swimming holes overlooking the Gold Coast HInterland from Lamington National Park.

Runaway Bay Sports Precinct

Runaway Bay Sports Precinct will feature up to 14 fields including the main showcase fields (with lighting – for evening showcase games) and grandstands along with the tournament headquarters, merchandise stalls, food & beverage vendors, social and recreational areas. It will also contain the Guts fields. The Finals and the Party will all take place at the Runaway Bay venue.



Alabaster Drive Sports Fields

Alabaster Drive sports fields in Carrara will contain up to 16 fields and will include all the necessary facilities and services to run the games at that location.

Accommodation Precinct

The Accommodation precinct will be centrally located between the 2 competition areas, at Surfers Paradise, adjacent to the beach.

Shuttle buses will be arranged to transport teams between their accommodation and the playing venues.



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CLIMATE

The Gold Coast in September (early Spring) has a sub-tropical climate which is ideal for Flying Disc . This local climate at this time is typified by blue, cloudless skies with very little rain. As a coastal location, the Gold Coast experiences a sea breeze most afternoons. Daytime temperatures average around 21C with evening temperatures dropping to around 15C. While it is unlikely to be either extremely hot or cold, players should (as usual) prepare for the possibility of unexpected conditions.



AIRPORTS – ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Australia is a vast country. It is recommended that international participants fly into either Brisbane International Airport (BNE) or Gold Coast International Airport (OOL). Note: Sydney is 1000km from the Gold Coast and Melbourne is nearly 2000km – so don't assume that you can fly into those cities and easily catch a bus or train to the tournament venue!

Brisbane International Airport is 85km from Surfers Paradise while Gold Coast airport is 22km.

There are a number of public transport options which are available to transport people between airports and the Gold Coast. More information will be provided closer to the time to assist teams to make transport plans.

IMPORTANT: No travel arrangements should be made until all team and player registrations are complete and tournament payments made and confirmed. WFDF will at that time, share the firm bid list with all NF's.

ACCOMMODATION

As Australia's number 1 beach holiday destination the Gold Coast has a huge range of accommodation options from luxury hotels to serviced apartments, motels and campgrounds. A range of accommodation options will be presented to participants over the next few months. Accommodation will be based in Surfers Paradise adjacent to the beach and close to shops, restaurants, cafés and bars. The hosts aim to provide all accommodation options within a 10min walk of the Surfers Paradise transit centre – the transport hub where the shuttle buses will depart and return each day.

We understand that different teams will have different requirements and different budgets and we will seek to offer accommodation that will meet all the needs of the participating teams. The LOC anticipates that an accommodation portal will be included in our event website which will allow teams to browse the options and manage their bookings.

SHUTTLE BUS TRANSPORT

Shuttle buses will be arranged to transport players and team staff (and guests) between accommodation and the tournament venues each day (including Days 1 and 8). Costs for shuttles will be included in the Player fee. Shuttles will only be available to those who book through the official event accommodation.

Shuttle buses will depart and return to the Surfers Paradise Transit Centre - a centrally located transit hub in the middle of Surfers Paradise and all the event accommodation is planned to be within a 10min walk of this transit centre.

A schedule for team shuttles will be released when the competition format is finalised and will be updated each day as the competition progresses. The split venues do provide some logistic challenges for this shuttle plan, however a system is being developed that will allow players at the Alabaster Drive satellite site the choice to return directly to their accommodation after their day's games or to travel up to the main Runaway Bay venue to eat/drink and watch the showcase game, and to catch shuttle buses home once these are concluded.

NOTE: Players are not encouraged to arrange their own transport (eg: hire cars or taxis) and local public transport is not considered to be a practical option.

FOOD

Participant breakfast will be supplied via individual hotel arrangements, or where teams are accommodated in self-catering options (eg: motels or holiday units) then they will need to purchase and prepare their own breakfasts.

Lunches will be available via a range of concession stands ("food trucks") which will be for purchase at each site. There will be a large range of options available including vegetarian, vegan and allergy free foods. A list of the food trucks including their menus and prices will be provided on the event website when it is known.

At this stage, there is no plan to provide a catering package for teams.

Free snacks and fruit will be available to the players at each of the venues each day.

Dinners will be available via the same concession stands ("food trucks") at Runaway Bay or teams can make their own preferences at restaurants nearer their accommodation.







HEALTH AND MEDICAL

Injuries and sickness can and will happen at any given event and players must prepare themselves for this eventuality. There is no provision in the player/team fees for medical insurance coverage for this eventuality. ALL players are strongly encouraged to purchase their own travel & health insurance prior to travelling to the event.

There will be emergency health workers (paramedics) on-site at each venue as well as sports trainer (physiotherapist) and massage therapists working at each venue. Please note that emergency first aid, including ambulance transportation and hospitalization, is not free for international travellers in Queensland through the public health system and any services received will be charged to the recipient.

All teams are strongly encouraged to either bring their own dedicated sports trainer/medical staff with them, or to arrange a local provider to work with them for the duration of the event. Teams who are interested in engaging a local provider to work with them, please contact the LOC via the contact details provided at the end of the Bulletin.

VISAS

Once your team is registered we encourage all players and team managers to make timely and specific enquiries about VISA requirements to enter Australia. Teams and individual players are fully responsible for ensuring that their own VISA arrangements are taken care of before attending WUC 2024.

WFDF can provide your team manager/administrator with a letter confirming your team's registration at the event. WFDF can provide players with a letter confirming your participation as a player at the event after the player fees are paid and after the National Federation has supplied a roster endorsement letter with your name on it.

The National Federation will need to supply all the following information for all team members:

- Full name (as shown on passport)
- Passport number
- · Date of Birth
- Role on team (eg: player, coach, manager etc)

An online form will be established in due course and advertised in future Bulletins. Team Managers and players are encouraged to complete this form as early as possible to allow the hosts and WFDF to produce the letters confirming attendance.

Please note that the hosts cannot and will not provide a formal invitation to attend the event, and non-ability to enter Australia is not grounds to request a refund for team or player fees.



WUC & WGC 2024 TEAMS & DIVISIONS

National Teams from all WFDF National Federations (NF) members are invited to participate at WUC and WGC 2024 on the Gold Coast. WFDF member NFs in good standing will be entitled to participate.

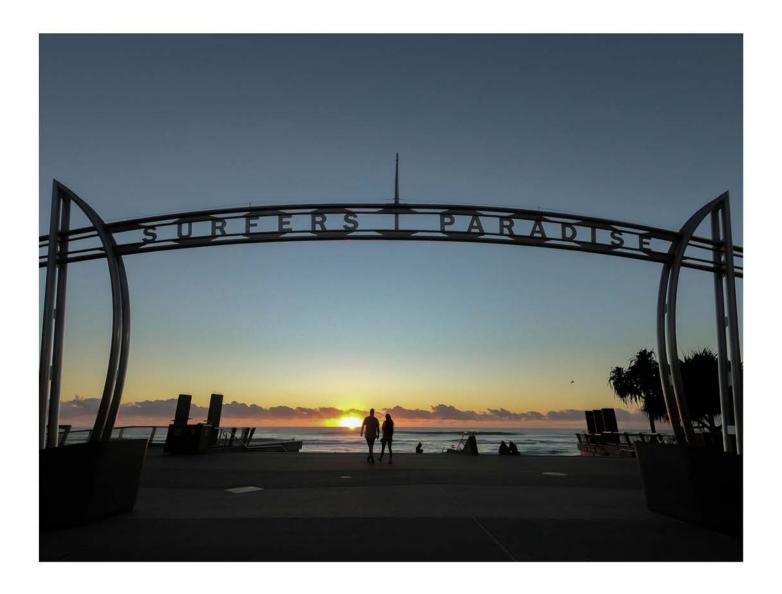
WUC 2024 will include the following divisions:

- · Opens
- Women's
- Mixed

WGC 2024 will allow up to three (3) teams per country to participate in one division:

Guts

WFDF strives to protect transgender athletes and recognizes the importance of autonomy of gender identity in sport. Clear guidelines with minimally invasive requirements for TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption) submissions have been created. The guidelines were developed by the WFDF Medical and Anti-Doping Committee. WUC/WGC 2024 will abide by timelines and requirements as outlined in the WFDF Transgender Athlete and Differences in Sex Development (DSD) Athlete Policy. Please be sure to read through this document with your athletes when assessing eligibility - some timelines are long, so please plan accordingly.



FEES

The WUC 2024 and WGC 2024 hosts are working extremely hard to keep participation costs (for players and guests) as low as possible. In order to minimise costs we require teams to submit Expressions of Interest to play and to pay team and player fees in a timely manner.

Once the size of the event is known, we will be able to fine-tune the fee structure to keep it as low as possible.

The following fees are INDICATIVE ONLY - based on the costings performed in the bid process which commenced during the COVID era. We acknowledge that the economic environment has changed and that supply chains have been disrupted and we expect costs to change as well.

ULTIMATE FEES (INDICATIVE ONLY)	AUS. DOLLARS	US DOLLARS*
TEAM FEES	\$2300 per team	\$1610 per team
PLAYER FEES	\$675 per player	\$475 per player
GUEST FEES	\$320 per guest	\$225 per guest
GUTS FEES (INDICATIVE ONLY)	\$370 per player	\$260 per player

(*based at 0.70 exchange rate - the final fee will require an exchange rate determination at the time of publication)

These fees include all aspects of the competition, site access, registration and player pack, on-site health and medical services, field snacks, all social functions and meetings, all shuttle bus transport.

These fees do NOT include meals, accommodation or arrival/departure transport services.

A full final Fee structure will be published after NFs have completed their Expressions of Interest to WFDF and the real size of the event is known.

WFDF will invoice and collect all fees for WUC and WGC 2024. All fees will be invoiced in US Dollars and must be paid in US Dollars.

The team fee is NOT refundable for any team that withdraws. Teams that withdraw after paying for the team fee do NOT fall under the definitions of event cancellation in the event cancellation policy. The player fee can be transferred to another new player but is not refundable if a player withdraws (subject to certain exceptions and medical restrictions).

All bank and international transfer fees are at the cost of the teams and players. If there are any outstanding monies, they will be collected during onsite registration and registration will not be complete for any team or player until outstanding monies are fully collected.

Guests are people travelling with and associated with the team but who are not taking the field to play. These include Non-Playing Technical Staff (NPTS eg: Coaches, medics, Team Managers) as well as supporters. They will receive all the same services and access as the players but will not be on a roster or entitled to play.

Spectators are non-accredited individuals who will not be able to participate with the team or take part in any events or team functions - including receipt of an access pass, use of any shuttle bus services or access to any of the social functions. Spectators may be charged a single-entry gate fee at the main Runaway Bay venue and this will be determined in due course.

DEADLINES

The following deadlines apply to the registration and payment processes. Any deadlines that apply to later aspects of the event will be published in due course.

ACTION	NOTES	DEADLINE
BULLETIN RELEASE		1st June, 2023
TEAM PRE-REGISTRATION		
Each NF to submit an Expression of Interest to WFDF indicating which divisions they intend to send representative teams	https://forms.gle/K1PYZ793Gi RpyGBH9	7th July, 2023
ROUND 1 - PROVISIONAL BID ALLOCATIONS WFDF will announce the Round 1 bid allocations. CONFIRMATION OF FEES LOC will publish 2 Bulletin which contains the Final structure & cancellation terms.		14th July, 2023
ROUND 1 - BID OFFERS CLOSED	NF's do not need to formally accept their bids, it happens automatically. NF's must withdraw their bid if they no longer wish to accept a bid as offered	21st July, 2023
Invoices sent to NFs for team and player fees (x14 players - Ultimate) (x5 players - Guts)		21st – 28th July, 2023
ROUND 1 - FEES DUE Bids are only firm and official after payment of Round 1 invoice is paid in full. Any bids that are not paid in full by the due date will be revoked and issued to teams from the waitlist.	(Amount to be confirmed) All Round 1 fees are non- refundable after the 18th of August.	11th August, 2023
WAITLIST - BID OFFERS Bids will be allocated to the waitlist teams. With each team having one week (7days) to accept a waitlist bid offer. This will continue following the order of the waitlist through as bids become available	NF's must accept or decline waitlist bids via email as they are issued.	Teams have one (1) week (7 days) to accept waitlist bids Teams will have four (4) weeks after the acceptance of bids to make the fee payment
ADJUSTMENTS to TEAM SIZE Teams/NF's will have an opportunity to top up the number of players (above minimum roster) and NPTS (guests) on a team at the regular fee rate.	The link to the online form will be emailed in January 2024 Invoice will follow. All payments are non-refundable	1st Feb, 2024
LATE ADDITIONS - with surcharge Teams may have the ability to increase their rosters and NPTS for valid reasons from February 1st through July 12th, 2024. Acceptance of late additions is at the full discretion of WFDF. No additions allowed after the rosters are locked	+USD\$50 per added person late fee surcharge, non-refundable	1st Feb - 6th July 2024
ROSTER LOCK All participants will be personally required to complete the online registration with all necessary details and forms for the event.		6th July, 2024

CANCELLATION POLICY

WFDF and the hosts recognise that situations outside the control of the organisers could occur that may have possible impacts on the ability to deliver the event.

We will monitor the conditions, specifically any global health issues or geopolitical factors that may affect travel and the ability of teams to participate. We will follow the advice and directions of international health, safety and travel authorities for travel to, from and within Australia.

If any information arises that could lead to a cancellation, we will promptly inform all teams. NFs should continue to make their own assessments and should remain in contact with the hosts as the situation progresses.

In the event of an event cancellation prior to commencement of the event, all available (unspent) fees will be returned to the NF's. The event hosts are working with WFDF to ensure that this returned amount is the maximum possible. A refund schedule for cancellations will be published in a future Bulletin when it becomes available.

It's important to note that the information provided in the initial bulletin is indicative and subject to change as more details are confirmed closer to the event.

Participants are advised to stay updated through future publications and contact the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) or WFDF for any specific inquiries.

LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE CONTACTS

The LOC will be available to contact directly either via the event website (URL to be advised July 2024) or via email (email addresses to be advised July 2024). For initial enquiries please contact the WFDF contacts provided below.



WORLD FLYING DISC FEDERATION CONTACTS



WFDF Managing Director of Events & Operations (Event invoicing and WUC24 Team registration and Teams contact) Karina Woldt Email: karina.woldt@wfdf.sport



WFDF Events Coordinator (Event logistics and WUC24 Player Registration) Patrick Fourcampré-Maye Email: patrickfm@wfdf.sport

ABOUT WFDF

The World Flying Disc Federation ("WFDF") is the international sports federation responsible for world governance of flying disc (frisbee) sports, including Ultimate, Beach Ultimate, Disc Golf, Freestyle, Guts, and Individual Events.



WFDF is a federation of 103 member associations, which represent flying disc sports and their athletes in more than 100 countries. WFDF is an International Federation recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), and the International University Sports Federation (FISU), a member of the Global Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF), the Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF), the International World Games Association (IWGA), the International Masters Games Association (IMGA), and the Association for the International Sport for All (TAFISA). WFDF is a signatory to the World Anti-Doping Code and is a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) corporation in the state of Colorado, USA.

EVENT SPONSORS AND PARTNERS



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The Australian Flying Disc Association Limited (AFDA) is the peak organisation for disc sports in Australia. It provides services for its members at the national and international level.

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