



# **OCR 100 m COMPETITION RULES 2024**

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The Competition Rules is the Master Source Document (“MSD”), found on the World Obstacle website at [worldobstacle.org](http://worldobstacle.org). The MSD is a web based document acts as the official (authorized) reference document for all event formats and distances in Obstacle Sports and is maintained based on authorized amendments in accordance with recommendations by the TC and accepted by the FISO Executive Board.

This document, the **100 m Competition Rules** (“the Rules”), contains specific technical aspects for the OCR 100 m event and references the MSD.

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# 1. INTRODUCTION:

## 1.1. Purpose

- 1.1.1. World Obstacle, the Fédération Internationale de Sports d'Obstacles (FISO), is the sole governing body, responsible for Competition Rules for its related disciplines and events.
- 1.1.2. The OCR 100 m is a timed obstacle course race where the athletes run and overcome obstacles. Events may be head-to-head in lanes or time trial (one athlete at a time) and the fastest athlete wins.
- 1.1.3. These Rules must be read in conjunction with the MSD.

## 1.2. Intention

- 1.2.1. the Rules are intended to:
  - 1.2.1.1. Create an atmosphere of sportsmanship, equality, and fair play;
  - 1.2.1.2. Provide safety and protection;
  - 1.2.1.3. Emphasize ingenuity and skill without unduly limiting the athlete's freedom of action;
  - 1.2.1.4. Disqualify or penalize athletes who gain an unfair advantage;
- 1.2.2. Definitions of all terms used in the Rules are provided in the MSD. Any difficulty in the interpretation or application of Rules should be referred to the TC.

## 1.3. Rule Updates

The Rules may be changed from time to time by the TC at its discretion, with the approval of the FISO Executive Board. Any such rule change(s) shall be advised in writing to affiliated NFs at least 30 days before taking effect. Updated FISO Competition Rules will be posted on the FISO website ([worldobstacle.org](http://worldobstacle.org)).

# 2. CONDUCT OF ATHLETES

## 2.1. General Conduct

- 2.1.1. Race tactics are part of the interaction between athletes however athletes are required to:
  - Practice good sportsmanship at all times;
  - Adhere to the intent of a rule when the exact wording of the rule may be interpreted in various ways;
  - Be responsible for their own safety and the safety of others;
  - Know, understand and follow the Rules, available from their NFs and on [www.worldobstacle.org](http://www.worldobstacle.org)
  - Obey instructions from race officials.
  - Treat other athletes, officials, volunteers, media, sponsors and spectators with respect and courtesy.
  - Not use abusive, derogatory or inflammatory language.

- Inform a Technical Official immediately after withdrawing from the race. In case the athletes fail to do this before the end of the event, it may result a suspension.
- Compete without receiving assistance other than from event personnel and officials.
- Refrain from ambush marketing
- Not dispose litter or equipment around the course except at clearly identified places. All items must be kept with the athlete and disposed of appropriately at the end of the race.
- Not attempt to gain unfair advantage in any way.

## **2.2. Drug Abuse**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.3. Health**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.4. Eligibility**

Ref: the MSD.

## **2.5. Insurance**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.6. Registration**

Ref: the MSD.

## **2.7. Uniform**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.8. Footwear**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.9. Other Equipment**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.10. Race numbers**

Ref: the MSD

## **2.11. Assignment of race numbers**

Ref: the MSD

## 2.12. Timing and Results

Ref: the MSD

# 3. PENALTIES AND RULES

## 3.1. The Course

- 3.1.1. The OCR 100 m course is a linear running track consisting of a start line, twelve (12) obstacles and a finish line.
- 3.1.2. The course may have between one (1) and eight (8) lanes, each lane being no less than 1.5 m wide as defined in the OCR 100m Course Specification Manual (“CSM”).
- 3.1.3. The twelve (12) obstacles are defined in the CSM.

## 3.2. General Rules

- 3.2.1. Completion of all obstacles is mandatory.
- 3.2.2. An athlete failing an obstacle may attempt the obstacle a second time.
- 3.2.3. An athlete who fails to complete an obstacle on the second attempt must immediately leave the course.
- 3.2.4. An athlete who fails an obstacle is designated Did Not Complete (“DNC”) in the results for that run and is not awarded a time.
- 3.2.5. There are no time penalties.
- 3.2.6. Athletes finishing with the same time (measured to 1/1000<sup>th</sup> [0.001] of a second) shall be awarded a tie. Timing may include mechanical, laser, videographic, photographic or other means.
- 3.2.7. Failure to comply with the Rules may result in an athlete being verbally warned, subject to disqualification, suspension, or expulsion.
- 3.2.8. The nature of the rule violation will determine the subsequent penalty in 3.1.7.
- 3.2.9. A suspension or an expulsion will occur for very serious violations of either the Rules or FISO Anti-Doping Rules.
- 3.2.10. An athlete may be issued a verbal warning or disqualified for failing to abide by the Rules.
- 3.2.11. The Technical Officials are allowed to assess penalties, even if the infringement is not listed, if the Technical Official deems an unfair advantage has been gained, or if a dangerous situation has been created.

## 3.3. Specific Rules – 100 m Mixed Relay

- 3.3.1. A Mixed Relay team shall be two (2) athletes (one woman and one man), three (3) athletes (at

least one woman and at least one man) or four (4) athletes (two women and two men).

3.3.2. The start order of the team may be by either gender, i.e. either a man or a woman may be the first athletes for the team.

3.3.3. The running order of the team may be in any order by gender.

3.3.4. Athletes start their run when the prior runner tags (touches) them.

3.3.5. Each athlete on a team shall complete three (3) or more obstacles as follows:

4-Person Team		3-Peron Team		2-Person Team	
Runner	Obstacles	Runner	Obstacle	Runner	Obstacles
1	1, 2, 3	1	1, 2, 3, 4	1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
2	4, 5, 6	2	5, 6, 7, 8	2	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
3	7, 8, 9	3	9, 10, 11, 12		
4	10, 11, 12				

3.3.6. Athletes may not physically assist other runners until the finish wall.

3.3.7. All athletes must ascend the finish wall.

3.3.8. Athletes may assist their teammates.

3.3.9. The team whose last runner crosses the finish line / hits the finish button first is the winner.

3.3.10. The total distance covered by the team is 100 m.

### 3.4. Verbal Warning

Ref: the MSD

### 3.5. Time Penalties

There are no time penalties.

### 3.6. Disqualification

A disqualification is a penalty appropriate for severe rule violations, such as but not limited to, interference with other athletes, dangerous or unsportsmanlike conduct or failure to assist an athlete in distress.

### 3.7. Suspension

Ref: the MSD

### 3.8. Expulsion

Ref: the MSD

### 3.9. Right of Appeal

Athletes punished with a penalty have the right to appeal.

### 3.10. Protests

Ref: the MSD

### 3.11. Hearings and Appeals

Ref: the MSD

### 3.12. Reinstatement

After suspension, an athlete must apply to the FISO Executive Board for reinstatement.

## 4. CONDUCT

### 4.1. General Rules:

The athletes will:

- 4.1.1. Run, walk, climb, crawl, slither, scramble or otherwise propel themselves across, under, over or through the obstacles.
- 4.1.2. Display the official race number (if required). This may be written on the athlete's body using indelible ink (permanent marker) and must be visible at all times while on the race course, including:
  - Back of lower leg
  - Upper arm / shoulder
- 4.1.3. Run with a covered torso.
- 4.1.4. Run with shoes. Bare feet are prohibited on any part of the course.
- 4.1.5. Not intentionally block another athlete. Blocking will result in disqualification.

### 4.2. Finish Definition:

An athlete will be judged as "finished," the moment any part of the torso crosses a vertical plane through the centre of the finish button OR they activate the finish mechanism, which may include, but is not limited to a button, switch, pressure pad, lever or similar that activates a horn, whistle, pyrotechnic, light(s), stop clock or other finish device or combination of devices.

### 4.3. Safety Guidelines:

The responsibility of remaining on the course rests with the athlete. Any athlete, who appears to Technical or Medical Officials as presenting a danger to themselves or others, may be removed from the competition.

### 4.4. Illegal Equipment:

Ref: the MSD

## 5. OBSTACLE CONDUCT

### 5.1. General Rules:

Ref: the MSD

## 6. COMPETITION IN QUALIFYING ROUND FORMAT

### 6.1. General

A competition in Qualifying Round Format (tournament) consists of several rounds with a number of heats and a final to determine the winner. The rounds may include quarter finals, semi-finals, repechages or other rounds before the finals. Athletes qualify for the final based on time unless it is in an elimination format.

### 6.2. Rounds

- 6.2.1. The rounds will be called heats, quarter finals, semi-finals, finals and grand final as appropriate.
- 6.2.2. The number of athletes in a race is determined by the number of lanes. There may be between one (1) and up to eight (8) lanes.
- 6.2.3. There may be any number of heats (qualifying rounds).
- 6.2.4. In general, two or more runs shall be allowed by each athlete in the heats. This allows athletes an opportunity to have a time for a clean run if they fail an obstacle.
- 6.2.5. Quarter finals, if used, are the fastest sixteen (16) athletes from the heats.
- 6.2.6. Semi-finals, if used, are the fastest eight (8) athletes from the quarter finals.
- 6.2.7. Finals are the fastest four (4) athletes from the semi-finals determining the gold, silver, and bronze medals. The 4<sup>th</sup> placed athletes is not awarded a medal.



- 6.2.8. A gold medal final/round (if two lanes) determines the winner (gold medal) and runner up (silver medal.)
- 6.2.9. The bronze medal final/round (if two lanes) determines the third place (bronze medal) winner.
- 6.2.10. A repechage, if used, is a round or series of rounds that allows athletes who have been eliminated in the heats to qualify for the semi-finals.
- 6.2.11. If there are no quarter finals, semi-finals, finals, grand finals or repechages, the medal rounds are based on finish time from the heats.

### **6.3. Distribution of athletes in the semi-finals**

Ref: the MSD

### **6.4. Numbering**

Ref: the MSD

### **6.5. Results**

The fastest athlete (winner) is first and is awarded the gold medal. The first runner up is second and is awarded second silver medal, and the second runner up is third and is awarded the bronze medal.

## **7. PARA-OCR**

Ref: the MSD