# Rules & Conditions for Gold Wing European Federation Recognised Events

#### 1. Events

- a. International Treffens
  - A Member-Club may annually organise one International Treffen which may receive recognition by GWEF.
- b. Other Events
  - i. A Member-Club or its individual members may organise other events having international participation which may receive recognition by GWEF.
- c. Event Co-ordination and Responsibility
  - i. To establish a balanced annual programme of events, organisers shall co-ordinate their plans with the GWEF Officers and each other at the earliest opportunity.
  - ii. Final responsibility for the date, location and organisation of an event shall rest with the organisers.
- d. GWEF-recognition
  - i. Recognition of an event by GWEF shall be at the discretion of the Committee.
  - ii. Dates for recognised events for the following year must be finalised by the last committee meeting of the previous year.
  - iii. Once a repetitive event has been recognised and the conditions for GWEF-recognised events continue to be met, this recognition remains implicitly in force unless the organisers annul the recognition in writing to the GWEF secretary or it is withdrawn by the Committee.
  - iv. Organisers shall allow no individual personally to profit in any way from the event other than in the course of a normal commercial relationship. Reasonable expenses incurred in the organization of the event are **excepted**.
- e. Events and Touring Award Programme
  - i. GWEF-recognised events shall be part of the annual Touring Award (TA) programme,

## 2. Publication of Event Information

Details of the date, address, GPS coordinates, purpose, inscription price and items or services included in that inscription price must be submitted for publication at least 90 days before the event or by the end of January if inclusion in the help guide is required.

The organisers alone shall be responsible for the completeness and punctuality of this information.

Each International Representative (IR) shall be responsible for his Member-Club publishing complete and punctual information on a full page of his national club magazine. If a club doesn't have a magazine **then they** shall publish it by any other means

No inscription price shall be increased and no event-programme or facility offered for that price shall be reduced after their formal submission to any of the GWEF Committee.

An IR and a Member-Club shall:

- a. not be required to publish information which is late or incomplete with respect to date, location, inscription price or facilities provided for that price.
- b. not be required to publicise events not recognised by GWEF.

#### 3. Inscription

- a. No motorcycle shall enter the event-site without an inscription form being completed and signed by its rider.
- b. Inscription and Admission of GWEF Members riding Gold Wings
  - i. At inscription for an event offering advantages to GWEF members, any inscriber shall show a valid GWEF membership card bearing his name and Member-Club to receive those advantages.
  - ii. A GWEF card is valid only for the individual(s) named on the card.
  - iii. Organisers shall refuse such advantages if a valid GWEF membership card is not shown.

- iv. Beyond their normal right to refuse any admission, organisers of a GWEF-recognised event or any GWEF Committee member shall have the right to confiscate a GWEF membership card if they have grounds to believe that it is being misused. In the case of an individual GWEF membership card holder, the matter shall be referred to the committee of the member club for further action. The member club shall notify the GWEF committee of its decision.
- For the purposes of GWEF National Club prizes, the organisers shall assign the participation to the Member-Club issuing the membership card presented by the inscriber.
- c. Onus of Proof. The onus of proving any conditions governing inscription, admission or distance rests with the inscriber.
- d. Inscription and Admission of Others.
  - i. An individual member of GWEF riding a motorcycle other than a Goldwing, and his passenger(s), shall be admitted to the event-site without his vehicle.
  - ii. A spouse, or one immediate-family member or one partner who is riding a motorcycle other than a Gold Wing accompanying a Gold Wing rider shall be admitted to the event-site with that motorcycle. They shall not be assigned a separate inscription number but be added to gold wing rider's inscription form.
  - iii. A Gold Wing rider, and his passenger(s), who is not an individual member of GWEF shall be admitted to the event-site with his Gold Wing.
  - iv. The admission to the event-site of others to participate , on a day-visitor basis, shall be at the discretion of the organisers. No vehicle of a day visitor will be allowed on site
  - v. Inscription fees for fully participating non-GWEF members under **d**(ii) and **d**(iii) and **d**(iv) shall be minimum 20% higher than those of the GWEF members.
  - vi. At International Treffens there shall be free admission for:
    - a. Children less than sixteen years old when inscribed by an individual member of GWEF.
    - b. The nominated International Representative ONLY of a member club.
    - c. GWEF Officers and Honorary Life **GWEF** Members
  - vii. No GWEF member on a day-visitor basis shall enter the event-site with his motorcycle.
  - viii. Apart from the motorcycles specified above and vehicles directly serving the organisers, no other motorcycle or vehicle shall be admitted to the event-site.
  - ix. Organisers shall have the right to refuse admission to persons known to show bad conduct, and to eject persons, without refund, showing conduct not in accord with local or GWEF standards. The latter matter shall be dealt with according to Section 9(c) of the Constitution.
  - x. Provision of parking space for vehicles arriving to a treffen with a Gold Wing in tow shall be at the discretion of the organizers. This parking space, if available, must be in a separate area, not interfering with the tents.
- e. Touring Award Cards
  - i. Organisers of GWEF-recognised events shall, with a unique mark, stamp the TA card of a fully participating GWEF-member arriving on a GoldWing. The TA card must bear the same name, address and Member-Club as the GWEF membership card and must be signed by the holder. Incomplete cards shall not be stamped.
  - ii. Organisers shall not stamp cards of day-visitors.
  - iii. Organisers shall have the right to confiscate a TA card if they have grounds to believe that it is being misused. The matter shall then be dealt with according to Section 9(c) of the Constitution.
- f. Admission Conditions regarding Liability
  - The organisers shall take reasonable care to ensure the security of persons and their property on the event-site. This shall, where practically possible, include a Third-Party/ Public liability insurance to cover the event.
  - ii. Unaccompanied minors shall not be admitted to the event-site.
  - iii. The organisers shall make it a Condition of entry to the event-site for every adult entrant that:
    - a. He/She accepts all responsibility for all loss, damage or injury caused by him / her or minors accompanying him / her while on the site
    - b. He/She absolves GWEF, its Committee members, the organisers and their agents from all responsibility for any loss, damage or injury caused to him or minors accompanying him / her, while on the site.
  - iv. This Condition of entry shall be:
    - a. For full participants, a disclaimer in English, German and French on the inscription form, stating that the event is organised according to GWEF rules and conditions. The conditions in (f)(iii.a and b) above must be reproduced on the inscription form and the participant must sign the form to the effect he understands and accepts these rules and conditions before admission.
    - b. for all other entrants to the event-site, a clearly visible notice in the local national language, posted at the entrance, stating the entry conditions under (f)(iiia and b) and that the act of entry constitutes an acceptance of them.

## 4. Awards at GWEF treffens

- a. GWEF International Awards and Individual Prizes
  - i. Member-Clubs organising a GWEF-recognised International Treffen shall give rankings and awards to all participating GWEF Member-Clubs, except themselves.
  - ii. The organisers shall calculate the rankings of participating clubs as follows:
    - a. As soon as possible, the organisers shall inform the GWEF Secretary as to their International Treffen location. The Secretary shall then inform them of the road kilometre distance to that location from the centre of each GWEF Member-Club country.
    - b. At the close of inscription, the organisers shall multiply the total of Gold Wings inscribed for each GWEF Member-Club by two times the road-kilometre distance assigned to that Member-Club (i.e. Total Member-Club Gold Wings x road-kilometres) This gives the number of points for deciding the rankings of the awards.
    - c. GWEF card holders not arriving at a GWEF event on a Gold Wing or and participants not belonging to a GWEF Member-Club shall not be counted in these totals.
  - Organisers shall determine the size of the awards which should be suitable for carrying on a Gold Wing.
- b. Clubs attendance award

At the close of inscription organisers shall determine the member club in attendance which has the greatest number of Goldwings **inscribed** as a proportion of that club's total membership as notified to the secretary after 31st December of the previous year and that club shall receive an additional award known as the 'Clubs Attendance Award'. The method of calculation shall be the number of **the inscribed Goldwings**, divided by total membership multiplied by 100.

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- c. Individual Riding Distances and Participation Totals
  - i. If, in their absolute discretion, Treffen organisers choose to make individual awards to GWEF members for distances ridden to a GWEF recognised International event on a Goldwing, candidates for such an award must record their distance traveled on the inscription form.
    - a. This distance shall be the direct distance after leaving his/her home address or, if another GWEF event has been attended since leaving home, the direct distance from that GWEF event.
    - b. It shall not be a cumulative event, touring or holiday distance.
    - c. Distance claims falling outside the above conditions may be considered on individual merit.
    - d. Organisers shall have the right to refuse any distance claim which they consider inaccurate.
  - ii. For GWEF administrative purposes and for determining award rankings, organisers shall maintain lists as follows:
    - a. The total number of participants.
    - b. The total inscription from each GWEF Member-Club
    - Organisers supply copies of these lists to the GWEF Secretary and update the GWEF admin page results table, within fifteen days of the event ending.
  - iii. At the end of each touring season, as a recognition of participation in GWEF's International programme, GWEF will provide 'Super Touring awards' consisting of a patch and diploma to participants at four or more GWEF recognised events. If required, a black patch will be provided to the regular passengers of those participants at additional cost.
- d. Other Awards. Any other awards shall be at the discretion of the organisers.
- e. Award-giving Ceremony. The award-giving ceremony at an international Treffen shall be conducted in firstly English then, if possible, at the discretion of the organisers, in German and French, followed by the local language, if different from these.

## 5. Riding Safety

- a. In the interests of safety, GWEF shall, with or in the Help Guide or by other means from time to time, publish guidelines concerning safe group-riding behaviour.
- b. Organisers organising group-rides must take reasonable steps to ensure the safety of the riders and public.

- c. Except during a Light Parade, motorcycles with trailers shall not be permitted to take part in group-rides unless the trailer serves the tour-needs of a disabled rider or passenger
- d. Organisers shall have the right to exclude a rider showing persistently dangerous riding during a group-ride. If such a rider ignores the exclusion, the organisers may eject him from the whole event. The matter shall then be dealt with according to Section 9(c) of the Constitution.

## **Adoption**

These rules and conditions for events recognised by the Gold Wing European Federation were accepted as binding and adopted by the GWEF Committee, meeting at Mondorf les Bains, Luxemburg 05 September 2009.

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