



COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

European Aquascaping Championship
2020

Organisers:



Sponsors:



1. The Organisers of the European Aquascaping Championship, hereinafter referred to as EAC 2020, are:

Aqua Show Marcin Kierzkowski, Michał Adamek private partnership with the seat in Warsaw at ulica Jana Cybisa 6 lok. U1 NIP (tax identification number): 9512474705, hereinafter referred to as the "Organiser."

AQUAEL Janusz Jankiewicz LLC with the seat in Warsaw, 02-849, ul. Krasnowolska 50, NIP (tax identification number): 5342344863, KRS (National Court Register) 0000269390, hereinafter referred to as the "Organiser."

2. The championship is organised as part of the ANIMALS DAYS Fair at the Trade Fair and Congress Centre PTAK WARSAW EXPO in Nadarzyn, Al. Katowicka 62 on 3-5 April 2020.

3. The course of EAC 2020 is managed by a Competition Commission appointed by the Organiser, consisting of known experts in the field of aquascaping, with at least five members, hereinafter referred to as the "Jury."

4. The Organisers are entitled to all activities related to running the Competition

5. Participation in EAC 2020 is tantamount to the Participant's consent to the processing of his/her personal data in accordance with the provisions of the Act of 29 August 1997 on the Protection of Personal Data. The administrators of the data, within the meaning of applicable regulations, are:

Aqua Show Marcin Kierzkowski, Michał Adamek private partnership with the seat in Warsaw at ulica Jana Cybisa 6 lok. U1, 02-784 Warsaw.

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Participants' personal data will be processed at the Organisers' seats in connection with the implementation of the provisions of the EAC 2020 Rules and Regulations for purposes related to the conduct of the competition. Providing personal data is voluntary, but necessary for the purposes related to the conduct of the Competition. Each Participant has the right to inspect and correct their data and to request their removal.

6. Participation in the Competition is tantamount to the Participant's consent to the publication of his/her name and image of the person and of the competition entry by the Organisers on websites related to the Organiser, Facebook, YouTube, Instagram and in promotional materials of the Event.

7. By joining the Competition each Participant accepts the terms and conditions of the present Rules and Regulations.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The Competition's Participant can be any citizen of a European country who:
 - 1) is an adult
 - 2) takes part in the Competition by filling out the application form available at join-eac.com.
 - 3) pays the registration fee
2. Participants are persons who apply to the Competition and perform a competition task, consisting in preparing an aquarium aquascape on **3rd April 2020, from 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. and on 4th April 2020, from 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.**
3. EAC 2020 applies only to freshwater aquariums.
4. **Evaluation criteria:**
 - **overall impression 40 points,**
 - **composition 20 points,**
 - **selection and use of materials 20 points,**
 - **aquascape maintenance convenience 10 points,**
 - **water clarity 10 points.**

The Participant may collect a total of 100 points from each of the jurors.

1. The number of Participants is limited to thirty, which is why the qualification depends on the assessment of the application sent by the candidate **from 3rd February 2020 to 16th February 2020.**
2. Participants will be notified by email by **19th February 2020** about qualifying for EAC 2020.
3. **The application form is available at join-eac.com. In case of any problems please contact us by email at go@join-eac.com**
4. Employees of the Organisers as well as members of their immediate families are excluded from participation in EAC 2020. The immediate family members are ascendants, descendants, siblings, spouses and persons under adoption.
5. The Organisers provide the Participants with an 90x60x45cm aquarium with dedicated lighting.
6. The Participant is not obliged to leave the filter in the aquarium after clarifying the water.
7. The Participant will receive all materials to be used in the aquascape (stones, roots, plants). The materials will be selected by email, at the time specified by the Organiser (no later than 2 weeks before the start of the competition), by completing a form with a list of available materials.

8. The Participant may only use plants, roots and rocks provided by the Organisers.
9. All Participants will receive unique starter packs.
10. The Participant is responsible for damage caused by breaking rocks, this applies to both the equipment used and the place of the competition, hence it is recommended to be particularly cautious and to use protective glasses.
11. The Participant has the right to use his/her own background in the aquarium, but this is not a necessary condition.
12. The Organiser reserves the right to turn off or on the lighting in the aquarium. In emergency situations, for example when the glass is damaged, the Organiser has the right to intervene to remove the damage.
13. After finishing the aquascape, the Participant must leave the workplace in proper order.

REGISTRATION FEE:

Each qualified Participant of the Competition undertakes to pay the registration fee.

- a) The registration fee is set by the Organiser at EUR 250.00.
- b) The Participant is obliged to pay the registration fee within 3 days of confirmation of his qualification by the Organiser.
- c) As part of the registration fee, the Organiser will provide the Competition Participant with:
 - accommodation on 2-5 April 2020
 - limited T-shirt of the Competition, designed by Rasio Wear
 - regenerative meals at the fair grounds during the Competition on Friday and Saturday
 - transport from the hotel to the fair grounds
- d) In the absence of payment of the registration fee in the amount and within the time specified in subpoints a and b, the Organiser will have the right to cancel the qualification of the Participant and select another person from the list.

PRIZES AT EAC 2020

1. The jurors will assess the competition tanks on Saturday, i.e. on 4th April 2020 at 4.00 p.m.
2. The awards will be presented on 5th April 2020.
3. Prizes at the competition:
 - **1st place EUR 5000.00**
 - **2nd place: EUR 3000.00**
 - **3rd place: EUR 1000.00**

2 x SPECIAL PRIZE EUR 500.00 awarded by the competition partners for the most creative Participants.

The value of the cash prize will be reduced by Organiser before payment by applicable taxes required by law.

If it turns out that the winner of any of the prizes is a person who does not meet the conditions of the present Rules and Regulations, he/she loses the right to the prize, and in the event of disclosing this fact after the prize has been awarded, that person will be obliged to return it.

COMPLAINTS

1. Championship Participants may submit complaints about the conduct of EAC 2020 in writing during EAC 2020, but not later than on 5th April 2020. Provided that the date of submitting the complaint is the date of the postmark of a shipping centre.
2. Complaint submitted after the deadline specified in §4 para. 1 of the EAC 2020 Rules and Regulations has no legal effects.
3. A written complaint should include: name, surname and correspondence address of the EAC 2020 Participant and a detailed description and justification of the complaint, as well as be sent by registered mail to the Organiser's address or submitted to the Organiser's seat against receipt.
4. Complaints will be considered by the Competition Committee (Jury), within 7 calendar days from the date of their receipt by the Organiser.
5. The Competition Participant will be notified about the decision of the Competition Committee regarding the complaint by registered mail to the address provided in the written complaint, within 7 days of considering the complaint.

FINAL PROVISIONS

1. The Organisers may exclude a Participant from participating in EAC 2020 in the event of the Participant's violation of the provisions of the present Rules and Regulations.
2. In the event of any claims on the part of third parties arising from the infringement of copyright or other personal rights by the Participant, the Participant will be obliged, as the person solely responsible, to cover all damages and claims for damages.
3. The Organisers' liability towards the Participant in connection with the conduct of the Competition is limited to the value of the prize.
4. The Organisers are entitled to change the provisions of the present Rules and Regulations and undertake to inform the Participants about the introduced changes.
5. In matters not covered by the present Rules and Regulations, the relevant provisions of the Polish Civil Code shall apply.
6. EAC 2020 is not sponsored, supported by or associated with Facebook in any way.